

January 29, 2020

The Honorable Representative Louise Stutes Chair, House Special Committee on Fisheries Alaska State Capitol Rm 406 Juneau, AK. 99801

Re: HB 203 - Transportation of Live Crab

Dear Representative Stutes & Members of the Fisheries Committee:

On behalf of Lynden, I write in support of House Bill 203. Expanding the transportation of king crab, dungeness crab, and tanner crab from air freight only to surface transportation would allow Alaskan crab to reach new and underserved markets. This change will provide economic benefits to crab fishermen, the shoreside processing communities, the processing industry, and the transportation industry in Alaska.

Lynden provides both air and surface transportation throughout Alaska, and the seafood industry is a key economic driver for our economy. Providing transportation to the resource industry and expanding opportunity to markets is an excellent goal. We appreciate the Legislature looking at making Alaska open for business.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our support for HB 203.

Sincerely,

Jim Jansen

Chairman, Lynden