



April 9, 2021

To: (House Fisheries)

Rep. Geran Tarr, Chair
Rep. Louise Stutes, Vice Chair

(House Resources)

Rep. Josiah Patkotak, Chair
Rep. Grier Hopkins, Vice Chair

Re: Board of Fisheries Nominees
Special Committee Hearing
April 10, 2021

To House Fisheries and House Resources Committee Members;

On behalf of Peter Pan Seafoods, which has operated throughout coastal Alaska for more than a century and was recently acquired by a new ownership group with significant Alaska representation; I am writing you today in SUPPORT of John Jensen and in OPPOSITION to Marit Carlson-Van Dort for appointment to the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

(SUPPORT) John Jensen has served the State of Alaska and fisheries-dependent coastal communities well for many years; at both the state and federal level. As a fisherman and businessman he has shown consistent, careful consideration regarding commercial fisheries management and its impact on the fishing families, businesses and communities that rely on those resources.

(OPPOSE) In contrast, we join with the United Fishermen of Alaska and several other groups in opposition to Marit Carlson-Van Dort. Ms. Carlson-VanDort has been less balanced in her role on the Board of Fisheries, often allowing her Pebble Mine and other conflicts drive her positions.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon Hickman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline.

Jon Hickman
Executive Vice President
Peter Pan Seafood Company