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Alaska State Legislature
House of Representatives
Office of the Chief Clerk

Official Business

State Capitol, Rm 214
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
(907) 465-3725

MEMORANDUM

Date: February 16, 1995

TO: Special Committee on Fisheries

FROM: Suzi Lowell, Chief Clerk

SUBJECT: Governor's appointments

Speaker Phillips referred the following Governor's appointments to the Special Committee on Fisheries:

Board of Fisheries

Trefon Angasan - Anchorage
Appointed: 01/31/92 Reappointed: 02/09/95 Expires: 01/31/98

John R. White - Bethel
Appointed: 02/09/95 Expires: 01/31/98

Attached are their resumes and committee reports for your use.

Alaska State Legislature
House of Representatives

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DATE: 4/12/95

COMMITTEE REPORT

Speaker Gail Phillips
House of Representatives
Capitol Building

MADAM SPEAKER:

In Accordance with AS 39.05.080, the House Special Committee on Fisheries has reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends that the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

BOARD OF FISHERIES

Trefon Angasan

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against this individual during any further sessions for the purposes of confirmation.

Representative Austerman
Chair

Representative Moses
Vice-Chair

Representative Ogan

Representative G.Davis

Representative Elton

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Chair

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Vice-Chair

Representative Ogan

Representative G.Davis

Representative Elton

RESUME FOR DR. JOHN R. WHITE

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS
JAN 15 1995

01-02-95

POSITION DESIRED: APPOINTMENT TO ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

I. ADDRESS: P.O. # 190
BETHEL, ALASKA 99559

II. COMMUNICATION:

A. TELEPHONE
1. WORK 907-543-3778
2. HOME 907-543-2926

B. FAX 907-543-~~4551~~ 5441

III. PRESENT EMPLOYMENT

A. COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERMAN
KUSKOKWIM AREA
1974 TO PRESENT

B. OWNER, BERING SEA DENTAL CENTER
P.O. # 190
BETHEL, ALASKA 99559

IV. HEALTH/AGE/EDUCATION

A. HEALTHY, 47 MALE WITH NO RESTRICTIONS ON PHYSICAL ACTIVITY.

B. DATE OF BIRTH: JANUARY 01, 1947

C. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE: 1965
CONNERSVILLE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
CONNERSVILLE, INDIANA

D. COLLEGE GRADUATE: 1969
B.A. IN BIOLOGY
[redacted]
GRANVILLE, OHIO

E. PROFESSIONAL DEGREE: 1973
DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

ORIGINAL

V. EXPERIENCE FOR POSITION

A. TWENTY ONE YEAR RESIDENT OF ALASKA AND YUKON-KUSKOKWIM DELTA. ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN COMMERCIAL, SUBSISTENCE, AND SPORT FISH HARVEST ALL THOSE SAME YEARS. BACHELORS DEGREE IN BIOLOGY.

B. PAST MEMBER: LOWER KUSKOKWIM ADVISORY COMMITTEE

C. PAST MEMBER AND CHAIR: WESTERN ALASKA SALMON COALITION

D. PRESENT MEMBER AND CHAIR: KUSKOKWIM RIVER SALMON MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP

E. PAST MEMBER: GOVERNOR COWPER'S BOARD OF FISH REVIEW COMMITTEE

F. PAST MEMBER AND CHAIR: GOVERNOR COWPER'S ADVISORY GROUP ON ENDING HIGH SEAS SALMON INTERCEPTION

G. PAST BOARD DIRECTOR OF: BERING SEA COMMERCIAL FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

H. PRESENT BOARD DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT OF: SALMON RESEARCH FOUNDATION

VI. REFERENCES

A. GOVERNOR KNOWLES

B. CHIEF OF STAFF JIM AYERS

C. MYRON NANING, PRESIDENT
ASSOCIATION OF VILLAGE COUNCIL PRESIDENTS
BETHEL, ALASKA

[illegible]
PRESIDENT, YUKON KUSKOKWIM HEALTH CORPORATION
BETHEL, ALASKA

E. MS. MARY C. PETE
UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA, KUSKOKWIM CAMPUS
BETHEL, ALASKA

ORIGINAL

Fisheries, Board of

Governor Elect-Tony Knowles
P.O. Box 91989
Anchorage, AK 99509-1989

November 30, 1994

Dear Tony,

I am interested in serving another term on the State Board of Fisheries. I was appointed to the Board by Governor Hickel on 2/92 and my term expires on 2/95.

I believe that I can provide the balance that the Board needs in order to address issues that all user groups of the fishery throughout the State of Alaska brings before the Board. I have steadfastly upheld the principle during my term on the board that conservation must have the highest priority. During times when the resource has collapsed and in a rebuilding mode, I believe that subsistence use by the people of Alaska must be afforded the highest priority in the user chain.

The benefits that manifest itself from the principle that conservation must never be compromised has always been rewarding with sustained yield as we have witnessed during my term on the Board.

I also advocate that when there are conservation problems, everyone throughout the user chain must share the burden of conservation.

Although I am a commercial fisherman from Bristol Bay, I am also interested in the well-being of the other users of the resource. The other users are the sport and subsistence users. I believe that we as commercial fishermen must share the resource so that the beneficiaries of the resource can look forward to their fair share.

Sincerely,

Box 100-220
Anchorage, Alaska, 00510

tele: 265-7829
fax: 276-3924

ORIGINAL

First Appt.
1996

November 30, 1994

RESUME

NAME: Trefon Angasan Jr.

DATE OF BIRTH: March 3, 1947

MARITAL STATUS: Divorced

CHILDREN: Three

EDUCATION: Graduated Sheldon Jackson High School
Attended Sheldon Jackson College

REGIONAL CORPORATION: Bristol Bay Native Corporation

VILLAGE CORPORATION: Alaska Peninsula Corporation

SELF-EMPLOYMENT: Owner/operator, F/V Homeward
Bristol Bay Salmon fishery

EMPLOYER: Bristol Bay Native Corporation
Vice President, Corp. Affairs

DATE OF HIRE: January, 1977

PAST EMPLOYMENT HISTORY: Bristol Bay Area Development Corporation
Regional Director

Alaska Federation Of Natives
JOM Evaluator
Assistant Director, Health Affairs
Representative, American Indian Policy
Review Commission
Grant Writer

Bristol Bay Native Association
Program Planner

Bristol Bay Housing Authority
Executive Director

Bristol Bay Native Corporation
Merger Consultant

ORIGINAL

POSITIONS HELD:

South Naknek Village Council
Secretary

South Naknek Village Council
President

Qinuyang Ltd (South Naknek Village Corp.)
Secretary
President

Alaska Peninsula Corporation
(merger of five Village Corporations)
President

Great Pacific Fish Company
Secretary
President

American High Seas Fisheries Association
Vice-President, Alaska
Board Member

Governor's Subsistence Task Force, (alternate)

Alaska Federation of Natives Board
Vice Chairman

Bristol Environmental Services
Chairman (interim)

CURRENT POSITIONS:

Alaska Federation of Natives Board,

Education Committee
Convention Committee
Chairman
Legislative Committee

Alaska Peninsula Corporation
Secretary
Executive Committee

Bristol Bay Native Association
Board Member
Personnel Policy Committee (chair)
Strategic Planning Committee

Bristol Corporate Services
Chairman

State Board of Fisheries

ORIGINAL

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the HFSH
committee name

committee on BD OF FISHERIES CONF, dated 4-18-96.
bill/subject

I'm not in favor of Mr. Coffey to be confirmed for the Board of Fisheries. He made a statement at the Board of Fisheries meetings about the additional fish into the Kenai River (from 550 thousand to 650 thousand), that it should make Mr. Penney happy. This statement alone shows that he was biased.
I oppose Mr. Umphenour also.

Signed: St Turnstrup
Testifier

Self Steve Turnstrup
Representing (Optional)

4928 Beaver Loop
Address

Kenai, AK 99611
Phone No. 283-3482

NORTHERN DISTRICT SET NETTERS ASSOCIATION OF COOK INLET

P.O. Box 101480 ★ Anchorage, Alaska 99510-1480

Est. 1954

TO: Representative Al Austerman
House Resources Committee
Juneau, Alaska
Fax: 907-[illegible]

FROM: Northern District Set Netters Association of Cook Inlet
DATE: 15 April 1996
SUBJECT: Board of Fisheries Appointment
Number of Pages (including this cover sheet): 1

Dear Representative Austerman:

I am writing on behalf of the Northern District Set Netters Association of Cook Inlet (NDSNA). We understand that Dan Coffey will undergo confirmation hearings for his seat on the Alaska Board of Fisheries, and our board would like to comment. Our association supported Governor Knowles' appointment of Dan Coffey to the board; now we would like to strongly re-affirm our support for his confirmation.

We were likely one of the few commercial fishing organizations that supported, and continue to support, Dan Coffey. We had four to five board members generally present during the February/March Board of Fisheries hearings on Upper Cook Inlet (UCI) and had a good opportunity to observe and participate in the meetings. After the UCI Board of Fisheries meetings, our NDSNA board met and discussed Dan Coffey's performance. Our board was even stronger in its support of Mr. Coffey after watching his work at the meetings.

We found Dan Coffey to be attentive to the issues and discussion. He was a willing listener to all sides and was open and asked people what they thought. He asked relevant questions of the staff, and was obviously a problem-solver, always looking for a solution and never hesitating to ask a question or listen to an answer. Furthermore, Dan Coffey read and analyzed the data and became informed on the issues. It was a large task for a new board member to enter into the Upper Cook Inlet debate and be able to become informed in a short time. Dan Coffey informed himself very quickly, understood complex fisheries data and issues, and was a vibrant and provocative board member.

Our board noted that this was the first Board of Fisheries meeting we could remember where the board paid what we considered adequate attention to Northern Cook Inlet weaker stocks and the problems associated with the UCI mixed stock fishery. We attribute much of this attention to Mr. Coffey. In addition, Dan Coffey exhibited a willingness to address difficult allocation issues and was not afraid to make reasonable allocation decisions concerning Upper Cook Inlet salmon stocks.

Our board thought Mr. Coffey was fair, considered all views, and tried to make equitable decisions based on the information provided. In short we believed he did a good job, is committed to the Board process, and should be confirmed on the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

Sincerely,

Stephen R. Braund

Stephen R. Braund
President

State of Alaska - Boards and Commissions
Board Information

FISHERIES (037)

BOARD: Board of Fisheries

BOARD IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 037

DEPARTMENT: Department of Fish and Game

AUTHORITY: AS 16.05.221

STATUS: Active

REQUIREMENTS: Legislative Confirmation, Financial Disclosure

TERM: 3 years

DESCRIPTION:
7 members appointed by Governor: residents of the state, appointed without regard to political affiliation or geographical location of residence; Commissioner of the Dept. of Fish and Game is not a member, but serves as ex-officio secretary.
FUNCTION:
Conservation and development of fishery resources.

CHAIR: Board selects.

SPECIAL FACTS:
Regulatory; Quorum - majority of the members of the board; may be removed only for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or misconduct in office (AS 16.05.280). Statute requires board to hold at least one meeting a year where the board selects time and place, and at least one meeting or hearing a year in 4 general areas (see AS 16.05.300). May hold at least one meeting per year with the Board of Game in joint session. Historically meets four times each year, for a total of approximately 50-65 days. Joint Boards of Fisheries and Game historically meet for approximately 7-15 days each year. May meet at any time upon the call of the commissioner or upon the request of two board members. Compensation is based on salary schedule for Juneau.

COMPENSATION: Standard Travel and Per Diem. Range 20A for board meetings; 1/2 Range 20A for other mtgs.

MEETINGS: Historically meets 4 times/year, total 50-65 days; Joint F&G Boards meet approximately 7-15 days.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Mr. Laird Jones, Executive Director, Division of Fisheries, DF&G, P.O. Box 25526, M/S 1100, Juneau, AK, 99802 5526, Phone: 907 465-4110, Fax: 907 465 6094

(Date printed 04/18/96)

STATE OF ALASKA - OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
Boards and Commissions Office

Membership Roster

(037) FISHERIES

Member	Appointed	Reappointed	Term Exp.
Trefon Angasan Public Bristol Bay Native Corporation P.O. Box 100220 Anchorage, AK 99510	01/31/92	02/09/95	01/31/98
Dick H. Bower, Sr. Public P.O. Box 3662 Soldotna, AK 99669	02/04/94		01/31/97
Dan K. Coffey Public 207 E.Northern Lights Blvd.,Ste.200 Anchorage, AK 99503	02/12/96		01/31/99
Larry J. Engel Public -- Vice-Chair P.O. Box 197 Palmer, AK 99645	02/04/94		01/31/97
Grant J. Miller Public P.O. Box 2456 Sitka, AK 99835	02/12/96		01/31/99
Frank Rue Commissioner/Fish and Game/ex officio secretary Commissioner Department of Fish & Game P.O. Box 25526 Juneau, AK 99802-5526	02/21/95		
Virgil L. Umphenour Public 2400 Davis Road Fairbanks, AK 99701	07/22/94	02/12/96	01/31/99
John R. White Public P.O. Box 190 Bethel, AK 99559	02/09/95		01/31/98

Membership Roster
FISHERIES (037)

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Dick H. Bower, Sr. Public P.O. Box 3662 Soldotna, AK 99669	02/04/94		01/31 97
Larry Edfelt Public 1212 Pike Court Juneau, AK 99801	07/23/91	01/31/93	01/31/96
Larry J. Engel Public P.O. Box 197 Palmer, AK 99645	02/04/94		01/31/97
Dick Jacobsen Public P.O. Box 54 Sand Point, AK 99661	01/31/93		01/31/96
Frank Rue Commissioner/Fish and Game/ex officio secretary Commissioner Department of Fish & Game P.O. Box 25526 Juneau, AK 99802-5526	02/21/95		
Virgil L. Umphenour Public 2400 Davis Road Fairbanks, AK 99701	07/22/94		01/31/96
John R. White Public P.O. Box 190 Bethel, AK 99559	02/09/95		01/31/98

Alaska Trollers Association • Petersburg Vessel Owners Association
Southeast Alaska Fisheries Coalition • Southeast Alaska Seiners
Sitka Charter Boat Operators • Alaska Outdoor Council
United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters Association

Governor Tony Knowles
P.O. Box 110001
Juneau, AK 99811

January 25, 1995

Dear Governor Knowles,

As representatives of the commercial fishing fleet in Southeast Alaska, we offer our united support for Grant Miller for appointment to the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

Mr. Miller is extremely knowledgeable about Southeast fisheries and relevant issues. His service to a variety of fisheries boards and his long history as a commercial fisherman have honed in him a keen understanding of complex issues and a capacity to foster consensus. As chairman of the Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association, he is known for his ability to guide competing interests toward resolution of complicated and difficult issues. He is an individual of high personal integrity, dedicated to providing a fair opportunity for all users of our state's fish resources.

We believe a successful and effective board must consist of members who represent a cross-section of gear groups and regions. In addition, members should be able to draw from personal experiences in the fisheries. Given the complexity of the fisheries in this region, their economic importance to our communities, and the international implications of Alaska's management decisions, we believe the board needs an individual who understands and has participated in a variety of Southeast commercial fisheries.

Mr. Miller's 30 years of fisheries and board experience would make him an asset to the Board of Fisheries process. We appreciate your consideration of Mr. Miller for this appointment.

Sincerely,

Dale Kelley
Alaska Trollers Association

Jev Shelton
Southeast Alaska Fisheries Coalition

Liz Cabrera
Petersburg Vessel Owners Association

Geoff Bullock
United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters Association

Bill Foster
Sitka Charter Boat Operators

Dan Castle
Southeast Alaska Seiners

Carl Rosier
Alaska Outdoor Council

TESTIMONY ON CONFIRMATION OF BOARD OF FISHERIES MEMBERS

To: Chairperson/Committee Members
House Fisheries Committee

From: James L. Evenson
P. O. Box 324
Kenai, Alaska 99611-0324

I SUPPORT GRANT MILLER:

He has a thorough knowledge of Alaskan fisheries, both commercial and sport, and is especially well versed on the southeastern issues including the U. S.-Canadian Salmon Treaty.
He listens carefully to all testimony and tries to be impartial in his decisions.

I OPPOSE DAN COFFEY:

He has stated publicly that he is a "one issue" appointee: to take fish from the commercial fishery of Cook Inlet and reallocate them to the sport fishing/guiding/tourism industry. He has demonstrated a totally biased attitude during public testimony, staff testimony, and deliberations.

I OPPOSE VIRGIL UMPHENOUER:

He seems to lack a grasp of the issues, sport or commercial. His responses to public and staff testimony indicate a very narrow breadth of knowledge of fisheries issues, and a lack of ability, or interest, in making decisions based on the testimony presented.

James L. Evenson

RICHARD H. POWELL
C/P PATRICIA LEE - F/V ICELANDER - F/V ECHO BELLE - F/V KDS
P. O. BOX 2074
KODIAK, ALASKA 99615
(907) 486-4250

April 18, 1996

Honorable Alan Austerman
Chair, House Fisheries Committee
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, Alaska 99801

RE: Board of Fish Confirmation Hearings

Dear Alan,

I would like to extend my support for the appointment of Dan Coffey and Grant Miller for the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

Originally, I was concerned when Governor Knowles did not appoint a commercial fishermen with expertise in the crab and groundfish fisheries. Because I am heavily involved in the Bering Sea/Aleutian Island crab fisheries, it is important to me that the board members have a working knowledge of the crab fisheries. Currently, as you know, there is no one on the board with that necessary expertise.

At the March board of fish meetings in Anchorage to address crab issues, I was pleasantly surprised to see the level of interest and questions from both Mr. Coffey and Mr. Miller. Mr. Coffey, in particular, impressed me with his ability to grasp the issues involved and he appeared to easily see through the rhetoric and recognize the real issue.

Again, I strongly believe that Dan Coffey and Grant Miller should be recommended for appointment.

Sincerely,

Richard H Powell

Richard H. Powell

cc: Governor Tony Knowles
Senator Fred Zharoff
Dan Coffey

April 18, 1996

Erik Huebsch
P.O. Box 599
Kasilof, AK 99610

Dear Legislator:

I am concerned that Governor Knowles is playing politics with the Board of Fish through his appointments to that Board. Most of the Governor's appointees have been sportfishers from the Cook Inlet area or commercial salmon fishers from terminal harvest areas. Fishery issues across the state have a much broader scope than these two categories. I would appreciate you doing your part to ensure a fair, knowledgeable and balanced Board. Please consider the following during the Confirmation Hearings for Board of Fish appointees.

Please oppose Dan Coffey's appointment. Mr. Coffey is one of the original sponsors of the "F.I.S.H." initiative which demonstrates his contempt for the Board of Fish process and his obvious bias towards the sportfish user group. There are already two sportfish representatives from Cook Inlet on the Board. To appoint a third would further handicap the Board when making decisions that affect other areas of the state.

Please oppose Virgil Umphenour's appointment. If the Governor's appointments are confirmed, the Board will be composed of the three sportfish representatives from Cook Inlet, three commercial salmon fishers from terminal harvest areas and one commercial fisher from Southeast. Mr. Umphenour is one of the three terminal harvesters. The state deserves a better balance of interests and expertise on this Board that manages Alaska's most valuable renewable resource.

Please support Grant Miller's appointment. He has extensive knowledge of different fisheries in different geographic areas. He is the type of Board member who can make informed decisions.

Thank you for your attention to my concerns.

Sincerely,

Erik Huebsch

UNITED FISHERMEN OF ALASKA

211 Fourth Street, Suite 112
Juneau, Alaska 99801
907/586-2820
Fax: 907/463-2545

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 14, 1996 Jerry McCune (907/586-2820)

STATEMENT ON APPOINTMENT OF DAN COFFEY TO THE BOARD OF FISHERIES

United Fishermen of Alaska (UFA) is concerned that the appointment of Dan Coffey to the Board of Fisheries may prejudice Board decisions at the upcoming Board of Fish meeting on Cook Inlet fisheries issues.

Mr. Coffey is an Incorporator and Director of the group pushing the F.I.S.H. Initiative. The F.I.S.H. Initiative is a hostile attack on family businesses that make up Alaska's commercial salmon industry across the entire state of Alaska.

Coffey, an Anchorage attorney, has represented the interests of the Anchorage Sportsfishing Caucus which has long been a militant foe of the families and jobs that depend on commercial salmon fishing.

Board of Fisheries members must approach their decisions with an open mind and all user groups need confidence that they will receive a fair hearing. Based on Coffey's activism against the commercial salmon fishing industry, no reasonable person can conclude that Mr. Coffey will make Board decisions with an open mind nor that the Governor is fulfilling his campaign pledge to "depoliticize" the Board of Fisheries. UFA believes the appointment of Dan Coffey to the Board of Fish by Governor Knowles is unfortunate for the whole state.

UFA has been a strong advocate of the Board of Fisheries process. However, in order to work effectively, the appointment of individuals with a wide array of experience, a belief in the Board process, and an absence of personal agendas is critical.

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MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Alaska Crab Coalition • Alaska Longline Fishermen's Association • Alaska Trollers Association • Area K Seiners Association
Bristol Bay Driftnetters Association • Concerned Area "M" Fishermen • Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association
Cordova District Fishermen United • Kenai Peninsula Fishermen's Association • Kodiak Regional Aquaculture Association
North Pacific Fisheries Association • Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association • Peninsula Marketing Association
Petersburg Vessel Owners Association • Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation • Purse Seine Vessel Owners Association
Seafood Producers Cooperative • Southeast Alaska Seiners Association • Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association • United Cook Inlet Drift Association

Board of Fish

RESUME

VIRGIL L. UMPHENOUR
2400 Davis Road
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701
(907) 456-3885
Fax 456-3889

OBJECTIVE

Appointment to the Alaska Board of Fish

QUALIFYING EXPERIENCE

Have been involved in all aspects of the fishing industry: commercial, sport, subsistence

COMMERCIAL

Have fished commercially on the Tanana River in Fairbanks since 1984. In 1985 became a commercial fish processor, processing both fish and roe from my fish and buying from commercial fishermen in Fairbanks, Nenana, Norton Sound and villages along the Yukon River. Have expanded this business so that now my company operates year round doing smoked fish and value added salmon products. Company does approximately 50,000 lbs of value added salmon products a year. Upwards of 250,000 lbs of salmon and roe can be processed during the summer months pending availability of fish.

SPORT

Have been an avid sport fisherman all my life. I have sport fished from the Kenai Peninsula to the Seward Peninsula and am well aware of the importance of the sport fishing industry to both the Alaksan sport fisherman and the tourism industry. My company processes in excess of 40,000 lbs/yr of sport caught fish.

SUBSISTENCE

Have subsistence fished for two seasons while living in Nome. As a commercial fish processor, have dealt extensively with the commercial/subsistence fishermen of the Yukon River Drainage and Norton Sound. For the most part, fishermen in these areas commercial fish to obtain cash to support their subsistence lifestyle. I have seen first hand the devastating effects of the failed fish runs on these people.

HUMAN RELATIONS

Past and present positions have required a wide range of interpersonal skills, public information management techniques and political awareness. As a commercial fisherman/processor and former military officer, have learned to deal with a wide range of individuals and be cognizant of their special interests and concerns. Am able to work with others to strike a consensus on critical issues. Was co-organizer of the Yukon River Drainage Fishermen's Association (YRDFA). Prior to the formation of this organization, it was a common belief that fishermen on the Yukon would never work together. YRDFA has since become a model of cooperation, by showing that when it comes to protecting the common resource, fishermen will set aside their differences and work together.

COMMUNICATION

Certified military instructor. Am completely at ease when speaking to large groups of people.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

CEO, Interior Alaska Fish Processors,, Inc.
Registered Alaskan Hunting guide
Officer, US Army Reserve, Retired

MEMBERSHIP

Delegate, US Canada Yukon River Salmon Treaty Negotiating Committee since 1988
Co-Chairman, Yukon River Drainage Fishermen's Association since Dec 1990
Tanana Valley Sportmen's Association, life member

REFERENCES

Lt. Governor Jack Coghill
State Senator Georgianna Lincoln
State Representative Richard Foster
State Representative Irene Nicholia
State Representative Allan Vezey
Charles Meechan, Deputy Commissioner, ADF&G
Roger Huntington, BOG

Board of Fish

Resume - Grant J. Miller

Personal-

Born	- 12 July '47: Toledo, Ohio		
Schools	- Graduated Rossford High School: Rossford Ohio		1965
	- Ohio University: Athens Ohio		1966-67
	- Kildalls Navigational School: Seattle, WA		1978
	- Crawfords Nautical School: Seattle, WA		1991
	- Marine firefighting School: Juneau, AK		1991
	- Radar School: Seattle, WA		1992
Married	- Wife -Virginia E. Olney: Ginny		1973
	Sons -Bae Olney-Miller	Born	1973
	Nick Olney-Miller	Born	1977
Employment	- Self employed commercial fishing		
	- Bottom dragging, scalloping, fish trap, lobster inshore and offshore: Cape Cod, Mass.		1966-71
	- Anchovy lampara seine, salmon troll Herring Gillnet: Sausalito, CA		1972-76
	- Salmon troll, Halibut Long Line, Herring Gillnet, Herring bait pound, SE Salmon Seine: Sitka, AK		1977-95
	- Herring Gillnet: Togiak and Norton Sound		1980-83
Boards	- Seafood Producers Co-op board		1981-85
	President		1985
	- Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association		1985-Present
	President		1988-Present
	- United Fishermen of Alaska (NSRAA rep.)		1990-Present
	Vice President		1991
	- Sitka committee on Alcohol and other drugs		1993-94
	- Sitka committee on fisheries		1994-Present
	- Seafood Producers Co-op		1994-Present
Licenses	- USCG mate uninspected vessels 500 tons		1978-94
	- USCG master any vessel 200 tons, master fishing vessels 500 tons, mate any vessel 1600 tons		1994-Present
	- Marine fire fighting and Radar observer		1994-Present

Board of Fish

RESUME'

This Resume' is being submitted in conjunction with my application for a position on the State Board of Fisheries.

Name and Address:

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I was born August 6, 1946 in Seattle, Washington. I came to Alaska with my mother 3 days later aboard an Arnold Airlines DC-3. We landed at Merrill Field on August 10, 1946. I remember nothing about the trip. I've been an Alaska resident ever since.

My occupation is as an attorney. I have been admitted to the Alaska Bar since May, 1975 so I have been at this work for over twenty (20) years. I am currently a sole practitioner employing one associate and one paralegal. My law practice is limited to commercial/real estate work with some commercial litigation with an emphasis on the purchase and sale of businesses particularly licensed businesses. Prior to opening my own office I was a partner in the lawfirm of Kay, Saville, Coffey, Hopwood and Schmidt for several years.

I am also the owner of two businesses in Anchorage; Dollar Rent a Car and Q-Zar Laser Tag and Family Entertainment Center. I also own Dollar Rent a Car in San Diego, California. In addition, I own and operate several commercial real estate properties in Anchorage. Finally, I am currently developing a residential subdivision in west Anchorage.

I am divorced and have sole custody of my three sons, Ryan, Kevin and Shane aged 11, 9 and 7. Since finishing law school I have lived continuously in Anchorage, Alaska.

I am a member of the following organizations:

1) Alaska Bar Association
2) Anchorage Home Builders Association
3) ARBA/CHARR

My experiences relative to fishing are as follows:

1) 1969-1971 worked as a commercial fisherman in Homer and Prince William Sound.
2) Previously represented fish processor in Bristol Bay.
3) In the late 1970s and early 1980s assisted numerous clients in applications for shore fisheries/tidelands leases.

4) 1985-1990 owned 1/2 interest in 80 foot halibut, bottom fishing and commercial tendering boat.
5) Previously represented commercial fishermen involved in the Bering Sea crab fishery.
6) Previously represented clients in joint venture operations relative to bottom fishery.
7) I have been a sports fisherman, both fresh and salt water for many, many years.
8) My father was a founder of the Fisherman's Union in Alaska in the 1930s and 40s. He fished commercially in Bristol Bay in the days of sail boats. The goal of the Union was to allow the small commercial fisherman make a living by eliminating the fish traps controlled by Seattle based commercial processors. He was very proud of the role he played in eventually eliminating the traps.
9) I served on the Board of F.I.S.H., Inc which sponsored the initiative to increase the allocation of salmon to sports fishermen.

My experiences on previous governmental or public service Boards and Commissions are as follows:

1) Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Board, 1988-92.
2) Anchorage Museum Board, 1991-92.
3) Barrier Free Recreation Board, 1979-present.
4) Chairman of numerous Bar Association Fee Arbitration Panels.
5) Vice Chairman Governor's Task Force on Charitable Gaming.

My qualifications for this position are as follows:

1) I am a problem solver, facilitator and a mediator. As a lawyer for twenty years, I know that the best way to resolve a difficult situation is to carefully listen to all sides, gather the facts, apply a sound criteria to the decision making process and then implement the decision in a fair and equitable manner so that all interested parties know what you are doing and why you are doing it.

2) I believe that reasonable solutions to difficult problems can be reached based a thorough understanding of the facts and on a willingness to engage in a dialogue with those who have differing opinions.

3) I have no preconceived notions about what should or should not be done. I have an open mind and a willingness to listen.

4) I do not represent any special interests nor do I have anything to gain from serving on the Board.

5) I have read the statutes establishing the Board of Fisheries, some of the regulations relative to the Board's operations and many of the cases decided by our Supreme Court relative to the duties, responsibilities and powers of the Board of Fisheries. I believe I know what is expected of the Board under the law.

6) Having lived in Alaska all my life, I know people all over the state in all walks of life. I can call on these people for information, for assistance and for ideas.

7) Having practiced as an attorney before various Boards and having sat on various Boards, I understand the public process within which the Board of Fisheries must operate.

I hope that this information is helpful to you in reaching a decision. If there is anything further which you require, please advise.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan K. Coffey

Governor Knowles names three to Fish Board

Staff and wire reports

JUNEAU — Gov. Tony Knowles reappointed an Interior fish processor to the state Fisheries Board Monday and also named a Sitka commercial fisher and an Anchorage attorney to the board.

Knowles put Virgil Umphenour, who owns Interior Alaska Fish Processors, back on the panel, despite some debate over his appointment. Joining Umphenour on the board will be Grant Miller of Sitka and Dan Coffey of Anchorage. Their terms are three years and they must be confirmed by the Legislature.

The announcement comes just five days before the board is scheduled to begin deliberating Cook Inlet's fishing issues. Sport fishers and commercial fishers in Cook Inlet are in a bitter fight over how to divide up the area's salmon stocks.

Local reaction to the appointments was divided along traditional lines.

Sport fishers applauded the governor's choices, saying they're hopeful the new board will be more sympathetic to anglers' concerns.

They're particularly pleased with Coffey, a high-profile sport fishing advocate. Coffey was a leader in pushing for the Fairness in Salmon Harvest initiative until recently resigning from the group sponsoring the ballot measure. The FISH initiative would give sport fishers a priority over the state's salmon stocks, leading to more fish in the Kenai Peninsula's rivers.

Coffey also has close ties to Anchorage developer Bob Penney, an outspoken angler who has vehemently battled Cook Inlet's commercial fishers over allocation issues.

Coffey was endorsed by numerous sport fishing groups as well as the Northern District Setnetters Association.

Sport fishers have argued for years that the Fish Board has been stacked in favor of commercial fishers. Mel Erickson, vice president of the Kenai River Guide's Association, said he thinks Coffey may help change that.

"It sounds good," Erickson said. "I think (the board's decisions are) going to get better and better and not be so one-sided."

But con mercial fishers panned Knowles for selecting Coffey.

Kenai Peninsula Fishermens Association President Karl Kircher said putting Coffey on the Fish Board is one more attempt by the governor to take salmon away from the peninsula's commercial fishers.

The upcoming Fish Board meeting was originally scheduled for January, before the terms of the three board members expired. But the meeting was postponed a month

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because mediation efforts, sponsored by Knowles, were dragging and needed more time.

Commercial fishers opposed the delay, mostly due to concerns that a February meeting would allow Knowles to select board members with a sport fishing bent.

The mediation talks ended in January with little progress.

"It's apparent the governor wants something done in Cook Inlet. The mediation effort failed so I guess this is the way he's doing it now," Kircher said.

Coffey said he will be fair to commercial fishers.

"The commercial guys think I'm going to put them out of business," Coffey said. "My understanding of all issues, a willingness to do that."

Southeast commercial fishing groups last year had wanted Knowles to put an industry representative from the Panhandle on the board in place of Umphenour. Umphenour was originally appointed to the board by departing Gov. Walter Hickel and the Knowles administration had used to put its own pick in Umphenour's seat.

Umphenour refused to budge and the Knowles administration eventually gave in. This year the processor had support from Fairbanks lawmakers, Interior Alaska villages and the Tanana Chief's Conference.

Umphenour said Knowles called him about the job on Monday.

support me," Umphenour said. "I know the governor is under a lot of pressure from various groups. I'm relieved that it's over."

Rob King, Knowles' spokesman, said the governor's appreciation of Umphenour grew after the processor's first year on the board.

"The governor felt confident in appointing him to another term," King said. "There are so many different regions in state, so many different interests, everybody wants to have their person on board."

Miller and Coffey are replacing board members Larry Edfelt of Juneau and Dick Jacobson of Sand Point, who did not reapply for their seats.

The board makes regulatory decisions on the state's fisheries.

Knowles pick for fish panel stirs criticism

By TOM KIZZIA
Daily News reporter

An Anchorage lawyer who helped write a controversial ballot measure calling for a statewide sportfish priority was one of three people named Monday to the state Board of Fisheries.

The appointment comes on the eve of a two-week showdown at the fish board over allocating Cook Inlet salmon between sport and commercial fishing interests.

Dan Coffey, a founder of the Fairness In Salmon Harvest organization and a longtime friend of Kenai River sportfish activist Bob Penney, was chosen for one of three vacancies by Gov. Tony Knowles.

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The appointment drew quick condemnation from Cook Inlet commercial fishing groups, who said Knowles had gone further than previous governors in putting politics on the fish board.

Also named to three-year terms on the board were Grant Wilson, a 30-year commercial fisherman from Sitka, and Virgil Umphenour, a Fairbanks fish processor whose term had just expired. Wilson and Umphenour won endorsements from fishing interests who often clash in front of the fish board.

"These individuals all have a commitment to using the mediation process to seek consensus among the various users," Knowles said.

The appointments will not change the existing balance on the seven-member board, which currently consists of three members associated with sportfish interests, two commercial fishermen and two members from Interior Alaska with commercial fishing ties and an interest in building in-river salmon runs.

But critics said Coffey's activism on behalf of sportfishing threatens the board's ability to rise above partisanship.

"It's an absolute insult to the commercial fishing industry," said Theo Mathews, executive director of United Cook Inlet Drift Association, a drift-net group. "How could anyone expect we'll get a fair hearing from someone with this background?"

Coffey, best known in Anchorage as a lawyer for the liquor industry, was one of five founding board members of FISH, though he resigned after applying for an appointment to the fish board. The FISH initiative, calling for a statewide sportfish priority for salmon, is scheduled to go before voters this fall. Cook Inlet commercial fishermen say such a law would force most of them out of business.

Coffey also represented Penney's group, the Cook Inlet Sportfishing Caucus, during the 1998 elections. The group, which published candidates' stands on sportfish issues, failed to file financial reports until threatened with fines by the Alaska Public Offices Commission.

The Board of Fisheries is supposed to provide a measure of political insulation for decisions about allocating fish among various user groups in Alaska.

Commercial fishermen said Knowles appears to be putting the board to reach a particular conclusion in Cook Inlet.

The new members, though unconfirmed by the Legislature, will take their seats Saturday, in time for a two-week meeting on Cook Inlet Salmon allocation.

"The fish board was set up to achieve allocation from whoever can provide the best sound bite and make the most campaign contributions," said Karl Kircher, president of the Kenai Peninsula Fishermen's Association, a set-netters group. Kircher noted that Penney recently donated $5,000 to a political fund for the governor.

Knowles spokesman Bob King said the governor appointed Coffey because he was the best candidate among the 13 others who applied.

"(Coffey) stressed the fact that he considers himself to be a problem solver, a facilitator and a mediator," King said.

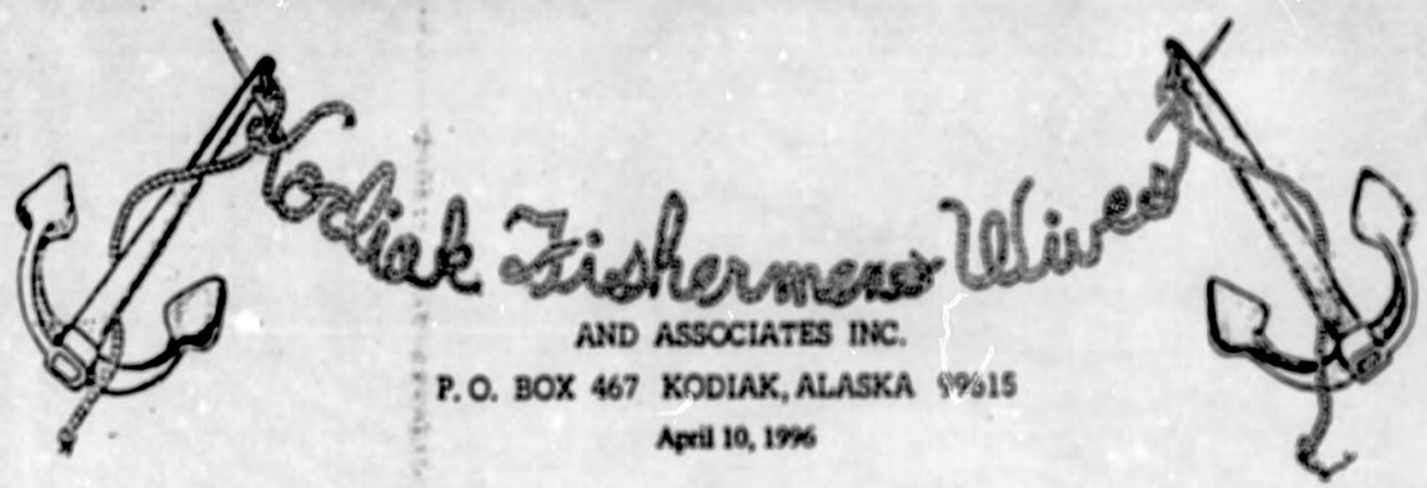
Sportfishing activists have charged that the board has been controlled politically by commercial fishermen and has failed to meet growing sportfishing demands in the Anchorage region.

"It's been too politicized for 40 years in the other direction," Penney said Monday.

Coffey said he expects to learn a lot as a fish board member and won't make up his mind until he has all the facts.

"Allocation has got to be done fairly and equitably, but there's a lot of room within that," Coffey said. He said conservation and sustained yield are his top priorities.

Coffey's appointment won the support of one Cook Inlet commercial fishing group, the Northern District Setnetters, whose vote would be more productive if other commercial fishermen didn't intercept so many salmon bound for Susitna Valley rivers.



AND ASSOCIATES INC.
P. O. BOX 467 KODIAK, ALASKA 99615

April 10, 1996

Senator Drew Pearce, Senate President
Capitol Building
Room 111
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Senator Pearce:

The Fishermen's Wives Association is very concerned about the Governor's appointments to the Board of Fish, and we would like to see these concerns addressed.

Alaska's fisheries need to be represented fairly. By Governor Knowles own admission, the existing board (including the new nominees) do not have the expertise to manage the groundfish fisheries. If the State is to become involved in the management of groundfish within State waters, it is imperative to have a person from Central or Western Alaska. This person must be familiar with a very diverse fleet consisting of vessels that can range from twenty-five to one hundred and twenty-five feet, utilizing a variety of gear types.

You will find attached a signed petition asking the Legislature of the Great State of Alaska to refuse to confirm the new appointments. We would like for you to give each member of the Legislature a copy of this letter and petition. If the vote is to refuse the appointments, we would appreciate a review of any and all decisions made at the meetings attended by the nominees.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns, we remain

Yours very truly,

Barbara Burch

Barbara Burch, President

Emily Salter

Emily Salter, Vice President

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cc: Governor Knowles
Representative Gail Phillips, House Leader
Representative Alan Austerman
Senator Fred Zharoff

Attachments

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[illegible]	Linda Hinson		12238 North Carolina Kodiak, AK
[illegible]	Richard Hanson	AAA	Bell Flats
[illegible]	Martha V Nowak	Purchaser	723 Alyeska Ave Apt D
[illegible]	Janice M. Nowak	Security	88-A Lake Louise Ct.

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[illegible]	Tom Terrace	Fisherman	[illegible] Kodiak
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[illegible]	Vicki M Martin	Fisherman/Cab Driver	Box 8001 Kodiak 996[illegible]
[illegible]	Michael [illegible]	Fisherman	Box 8001 Kodiak 996[illegible]
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Victor A Dillon	Victor A Dillon	Fisherman	P.O. Box 8001 Ko[illegible]
Louie Horn	LOUIE HORN	RETIRED	P.O. Box [illegible]
Red West	Red West	USCG	2474 Spruce Cape Rd

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Karen Riley	Karen Riley	Fish Wife	2557 Spruce Cape Rd
[illegible]	Arne Shrapd	State employee	2581 Spruce Cape Rd
Bill Williams	Bill Williams	Management	2593 Mt Pekin
Mike Lindberg	Mike Lindberg	Commercial Fisherman	
Kenneth R Hogan	Kenneth R. Hogan	Gunsmith	635 Anderson Way
Linda Pena	Linda Pena	Gov Employee	654 Anderson Way
Chris Campbell	Chris Campbell	Aircraft Mech	3251 Monashka Bay Rd.
Louis P	Polson Kodiak	AK	667 Anderson Way
Lisa Oliveira	LISA K. OLIVEIRA	Ticket agent	2666 Anderson Way

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	Alex Fisk	F/V Legelin	2302 Kodiak AK
	Ralph Bors	F/V Northern Star	3549 Kodiak, Ak
	Mike Fitzgerald	RIMROCK LTD	BOX 5038 KODIAK, AK
	Jerry Markoski	F/V TopGun	Box 1343, Kodiak
	Steve Aragon	F/V Swallow	809 B, Lake Louise, Kodiak
	Ty Rouse	Self Crew	Box 8041 Kodiak AK 99615
	Al Drabek	SELF	Box 261 Kodiak AK
	CJ KNOWLES	SELF	Box 31 LARSEN BAY AK
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	Kevin Hunt	SELF	202 Center St #202A Ph: 515-248 Ankeny IA
	DAN MOEN	SELF	6242 WARNER AVE #20F H.B CA 92647 4203 Lamb Ave WA 99337
	Britt Kanzlemeyer	SELF	15529 Ford Circle
	Dan McFarland	F/V Three Sisters	Po Box 1002 Kodiak
	Frank Kashevaroff	Self	PO Box 255 Seldovia
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	SARA ROCHMIS	F/V Renaissance	Box 3043 Kodiak
	Josh Rofey	F/V Lynx	1026 Nelchina

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	Steve	Fisherman	BX 3586 Kodiak A
Robert B Bowers	Coyote	"	KWP UGANIK BAY
		Fisherman	Box 1713 Kodiak
	Ken	Gov.	3730 Anton Kodiak
	Danielle	Waitress	Bx 8209 Kodiak
	Chris	Fisherman	Box 96 Kodiak
	Jason	Fisherman	Box 2671 Kodiak
	George	Fisherman	Box 2796 Kodiak
	BUTCH	FISHERMAN	BOX 3841 KODIAK
	Ralph	Fisherman	Box 3349 Kodiak
	Richard Retired		BX 2095 Kodiak
	John	Fisherman	P.O.B. 8872 Kodia
	Curt	Captain	POB 0003 Kodiak
	Dan	Fisherman	POB 2770 Kodiak,
		Fisherman	Box 3593 Kodia
	Sid Pruitt Jr	Truck Driver Fisherman	PO Box 1791 Kodia

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	Mike Besoff	Fisherman	Box 911, Kodiak
	Peter J. Olsen	Excavating	Box 2223 Kodiak
	Bart Rippey	Kodiak Oil Sales	Box 3211 Kodiak
	PETER T THOMPSON	FISHERMAN	BOX 3037 KODIAK
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	tom Knoke	SMALL BUSINESS	1940 KODIAK, AK
	BRAD SCUDDER	Fisherman	BOX 3208 KODIAK
	James Sandin	Fisherman	Box 1223 Kodiak
	LEE NEEL	Kodiak Oil Sales	Box 671 Kodiak
	Gregory C Spalinger	Small Business	Box 2635 Kodiak
	HARRY DODGE	Small Business	SR Box 8800 Kodiak
	Howard Torsen	fisherman	Box 2855 Kodiak
	Celeste Mariscal	Kodiak Oil	Box 8116 Kodiak.
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Peter Kamper		F/V Tenacious	Box 285 Kodiak AK

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	Colin	Fisherman	PO Box 824 Kodiak AK
	John	Eyecare Excellence	P.O. Box 827 Kodiak, Ak 99615
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	Danielle	Bookkeeper	P.O. Box 3092 Kodiak
	Brenda	North Pacific Medical	P.O. Box 2755
	Dana	NPMC	Box 933 Kodiak
	Kay	NPMC	Box 4362 Kodiak
	JUDY	EYECARE EXCELLENCE	Box 8390 Kodiak
	Stephanie	clerk	Box 8923
	Becky	Office Clerk	Box 2198
	Clara	Office manager	Box 1232 Kodiak ALASKA 99615
	Martha	Bookkeeper	Box 1713 Kodiak Alaska 99615
	ALAN	Grocery Employee	1710 Simeonoff Kodiak AK 99615
	MARDELL	Grocery Employee	1015 Pine crescent Kodiak AK
	Timothy	KBM	1944 Rezanof Dr - Kodiak 99615
	Doug Deatherage	Banker	2851 Kodiak AK 99615
	for Henderson	—	318 Carolyn - Kodiak, AK
	Gail	—	PO BOX 4492 Kodiak

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[illegible]	Keith	[illegible]	Kodiak
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Brenda Ainlay	Brenda Ainlay		500 A Sentinel Is.
Michelle Gifford	Michelle Gifford	oil Fired Heat Tech	774A Lake Louise Dr.
[illegible]	Sondra Harrison		823A Lake Louise Dr.
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Helen C Hall	Helen C Hall	R.N.	Box 431 Kodiak AK 99615
Barbara Majdic	Barbara B Majdic	Business	BN 345 Kodiak, AK 99615
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Michael Brown	Michael Brown	Fisherman	P.O. Box 934 UNALASKA, AK
Peter Allan	Peter Allan	F/V Orion	Box 2160 Kodiak
Mark Thomas	MARK THOMAS	FISHERMAN	P.O. 1955 KODIAK
[illegible]	Brent Watkins	Watkins Millworks	POB 1872 Kodiak AK
[illegible]	Jonathan Spad	U.S. Marine	712 Marine Way Kodiak
[illegible]	Malcolm S. Campbell	F/V REBEL	P.O. Box 3323 KODIAK
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Jerrol Friend	Jerrol Friend	Friend Contractors	1515 Barenof
Michael S Ensley	Michael S. Ensley	contractor	916 willow St Kodiak.
Carl A Hodgson	Carl A Hodgson	FV Tiberon	914 Rezanof Kodiak
Kurt Pedersen	Kurt Pedersen	Salmon/herring	Box 2405 Kodiak AK
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April 5, 1996

Al Burch
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FAX 486-6292

Dear Al:

I received your FAX which included a form for starting a petition drive regarding the Board of Fisheries appointments. We agree with you that the recent appointments do not represent all fishermen and gear groups equally. The Aleutians East Borough circulated a petition a few months ago that was turned in to the Governor's office which also addressed the need for equal representation with his appointments. He obviously did not heed our wishes. I believe that the petition drive did acquire around 1000 signatures from people in this area and from other areas around the state.

As soon as people come back from our next round of Board meetings in Anchorage we will certainly see what can be done to help with your current petition request. There will probably be other fishermen's groups around the state that have similar concerns. I will keep in touch with you on this.

Sincerely,

Melanie Gundersen

Melanie Gundersen,
President

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RESUME FOR FRANK RUE
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Juneau, Alaska 99801

EDUCATION

University of Massachusetts, Department of Landscape and Architecture and Regional Planning, Master of Landscape Architecture, 1976

University of Pennsylvania, B.A., English, 1972.

Stanford University, Political Science and English, Summer, 1970.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director, Habitat Division, Alaska Department of Fish and Game. March 1988 - Present.

As director I am responsible for a division with a $3.5 million budget and 75 positions located in Juneau, Anchorage, Fairbanks, Sitka, Petersburg and Ketchikan. I directly supervise a deputy director, three regional supervisors and a pipeline coordinator. I represent the department on all land use and habitat issues. Recent accomplishments include: lead for the department in negotiating and securing passage of forest practices and mining reclamation legislation that were both developed and supported by consensus of a broad range of interests including the regulated industry, fishing organizations, native organizations and environmental groups; and, leadership of the department's participation in the Exxon Valdez oil spill response and cleanup.

Natural Resource Manager II, Resource Allocation Section, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Anchorage. January 1986 - March 1988.

Directly supervised five project managers in Juneau, Anchorage and Fairbanks who were responsible for developing the Copper River Basin, Kuskokwim, Northwest Alaska, Prince William Sound, and Prince of Wales Island regional land use plans. The plans established policies and made land allocations among competing uses for approximately 30 million acres of state uplands, tidelands and submerged lands. Negotiated with agencies, local governments, coastal resource service area boards, and interest groups to develop land use policies. Worked with the section chief and project managers to devise creative approaches to staffing and project design so that plans could be completed in the face of lower budgets. Designed and managed professional services contracts. Conducted public meetings.

Acting Chief, Resource Allocation Section, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Anchorage. August 1985 - January 1986.

Responsible for overall supervision of fourteen professional planners, four cartographers, and two clerks located in Juneau, Anchorage, and Fairbanks. Directly supervised the project managers for the Statewide Settlement Plan, and the Kuskokwim, Northwest Alaska and Prince of Wales Island regional land use plans. Prepared and managed the section's $1 million budget. Designed and implemented a computerized budget tracking system enabling managers to be cost accountable, and providing critical information necessary for effective and informed budget reductions.

Natural Resource Manager II, Resource Allocation Section, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Anchorage. 1982 - 1985.

Directly supervised the project managers of the Bristol Bay and Southwest Prince of Wales Island regional land use plans for approximately 13 million acres of state land. Conducted public meetings and facilitated the negotiations between agencies, local government, coastal resource service area boards and interest groups to establish the area-wide policies for forestry, fish and wildlife, settlement, recreation, mining, oil and gas and other resources. The Bristol Bay Plan required coordination of federal and state agencies under the auspices of the Alaska Land Use Council. Upon completion of these first two plans supervised the project managers of the Kuskokwim, Northwest Alaska, and Prince of Wales Island plans. This included working with the managers to develop work plans, and methods of doing resource analysis, public participation and plan production. Primary author of the Haines State Forest and Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve management plans.

Natural Resource Manager I, Commissioner's Office, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Juneau. 1979 - 1982.

Initiated the first tideland plan prepared by the department and was the project manager until moving to Anchorage to accept a promotion. Successfully facilitated day-to-day negotiations between agencies, local citizens, interest groups, and local governments (all with widely divergent views) on legislation establishing the Haines State Forest and Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve. Played a significant role in developing the department's regional planning process and was the Land and Resource Planning Section's liaison with the commissioner's office during that process. Worked with an advisory group of local residents, representatives of interest groups, and state and federal agencies to allocate and manage $500,000 in soils, hydrology, topography, and fish and wildlife research contracts in the Haines area. Negotiated a

proposed land exchange with the Cape Fox Corporation. Developed state land selection recommendations.

Community Planner, Division of Community Planning, Department of Community and Regional Affairs, Juneau. 1977 - 1979.

Worked with local governments throughout Southeast Alaska in developing their district coastal management programs, and assisted with general community planning and zoning questions. Responsible for contract preparation, bidding and administration. Designed and wrote a statewide management handbook to explain the development of coastal management programs to local districts. Participated in state and federal planning projects.

PERSONAL DATA

Age: 40
Married with two children

REFERENCES

Available upon request.

Alaska State Legislature
House of Representatives

Official Business

COMMITTEE REPORT

Date:

Speaker Gail Phillips
House of Representatives
Capitol Building

MADAM SPEAKER:

In Accordance with AS 39.05.080, the House Special Committee on Fisheries has reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends that the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
FRANK RUE

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against this individual during any further sessions for the purposes of confirmation.

Representative Austerman
Chair

Representative Moses
Vice-Chair

Representative Ogan

Representative G.Davis

Representative Elton

Petersburg Vessel Owners Association

P.O. Box 232
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March 8, 1995

Representative Alan Austerman, Chairman
House Special Committee on Fisheries
State Capitol, Room 434
Juneau, Alaska 99801

SENT VIA FAX

Dear Chairman Austerman,

We wish to take this opportunity to express our support for the appointment of Frank Rue to the position of Commissioner of the Department of Fish & Game.

We believe he is an excellent choice for this position. We have had the opportunity to observe his work when he served as Director of the Habitat Division and feel he did a fine job. Mr. Rue is a real professional who works well with the public. He has not aligned himself with any region or harvesting group, and has always put the fish and game resources first.

We urge you to confirm Frank Rue's appointment as Commissioner of Fish & Game.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Gordon Jensen

Gordon Jensen
President

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Ans'd.....

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THE IFQ PROGRAM

INSIGHTS UPDATES

The publication is intended to provide a simplified explanation of the Individual Fishing Quota program as adopted by the Secretary of Commerce. Although it has been carefully reviewed for accuracy, it is not intended to be a legal guide to the program. Those seeking legal guidance should consult the Federal Register, Vol. 58, pg. 59375, published on November 9, 1993.

For more information call the National Marine Fisheries Service Restricted Access Management Division at 1-800-304-4846.

February, 1994

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HOW DOES THE SYSTEM WORK?

HOW DOES IT EFFECT YOU?

Under this system, if you qualify, you will be awarded quota shares for halibut or sablefish (or both species), based upon your experience in the fishery. If you do not receive an initial quota share allocation, or if you do not receive quota shares by transfer in the future, you will not be able to participate in the fishery. The quota share is a permit, which awards you the privilege to fish the common property resource.

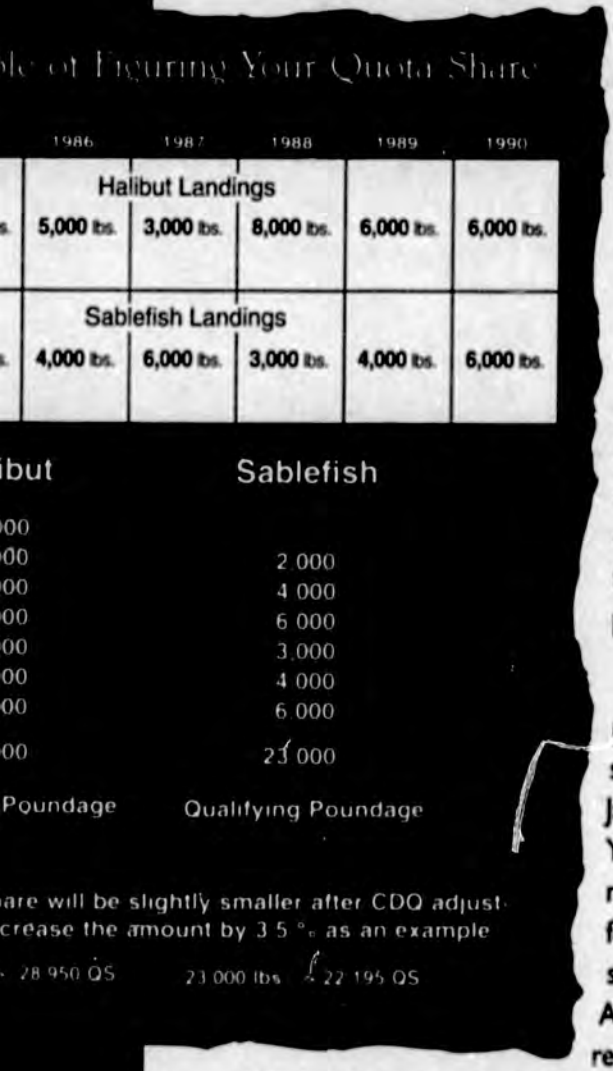
By a formula which will be explained further, your quota shares will determine your Individual Fishing Quota, or IFQ, which is the amount of halibut or sablefish that you are entitled to catch each year. You will be able to catch this quota at any time during the appropriate open season. Since concerns about overharvesting should lessen as the IFQ program gets underway, it's anticipated that seasons will lengthen. They may be seven to nine months long as opposed to a matter of weeks or hours. More care can be given to the gear, to handling the fish and to marketing them at the best price. There will be less pressure to fish in rough weather and safety should improve.

If you don't qualify for an initial quota share allocation, you may buy part of the harvesting crew in any U.S. fishery, you'll probably qualify as an IFQ crewmember and be allowed to receive quota shares by transfer. "Harvesting", in this case, means work directly related to catching or retaining fish. If, for example, your experience was only as a cook or an engineer, you would not be eligible. On the other hand, if you seined salmon in Prince William Sound or drift gillnetted Bristol Bay for the necessary 150 days, you would.

The IFQ program was designed to retain the character and size of the fishing fleet as much as possible. For this reason the system includes restrictions designed to prevent too many quota shares fro falling into too few hands (ownership caps) or being fished on too few vessels (vessel use caps Other restrictions will prevent the fishery from being dominated by large boats or by any parti vessel class. This is the system of assigning quo shares to vessel categories and then restricting transfers between different categories. We'll lo all of this in greater detail later on.

·WHEN WILL IT START? WHO IS AFFECTED?

Beginning next spring, the fixed gear fisheries for Pacific halibut and sablefish in and off Alaska will be managed under the IFQ plan. Fixed gear means hook and line gear of all types: longlines, handlines, jigs and troll gear, as well as pot gear for sablefish. Pot gear will be legal gear for harvesting sablefish under the IFQ plan, but **not** in the Gulf of Alaska. The fish you caught with pot gear, even in the Gulf, however, can be used to determine an initial quota share allocation. Sablefish harvested legally with trawl gear are not part of the IFQ program. Sablefish fisheries regulated by the State of Alaska within State waters, (those in Prince William Sound, Chatham Strait and Clarence Strait), are not considered under this federal IFQ program.



ple of Figuring Your Quota Share

	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990
	Halibut Landings				
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	Sablefish Landings				
.	4,000 lbs.	6,000 lbs.	3,000 lbs.	4,000 lbs.	6,000 lbs.

ibut — Sablefish

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Poundage — Qualifying Poundage

are will be slightly smaller after CDQ adjust-
crease the amount by 3 5 °₀ as an example

28 950 QS — 23 000 lbs — 22 195 QS

The application period for quota shares began on January 17th, 1994. You have six months to apply for an initial quota share allocation. Applications must reach the NMFS/RAM Division Juneau office by the close of business on July 15th, 1994. The NMFS/RAM Division has already mailed out almost 8,000 Requests for Applications to those who might be eligible to apply for quota shares. Only those who return a completed Request for Application will receive the application package. Before we go further with the application procedure, let's define some terms and look at just how the system will work.

DEFINITIONS TERMS WE'LL BE USING AND WHAT THEY MEAN

Qualifying years - You must have owned or leased a vessel on which fixed gear landings of sablefish or halibut were made during the qualifying years 1988, 1989, **or** 1990 to qualify for an initial quota share allocation. These fish must have been legally caught in IFQ regulatory areas.

Base years - These are the years used to determine the amount of your quota share. For halibut they are the best five of seven years; 1984-1990. For sablefish they are the best five of six years; 1985-1990.

Total Allowable Catch or TAC - Each year the Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Council, determines the sablefish TAC for the different management areas. The International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC) annually sets the figures for the halibut harvest in its management zones. Regulatory areas for halibut and sablefish are different and should not be confused.

Quota Share or QS - This means a permit, the amount of which is used as a basis for the annual calculation of your IFQ. The size of this permit is determined by landings in the base

years. Your initial adjusted quota share is the sum of your best five year's landings. The adjustment is a slight decrease because some fish will be allocated to the CDQ program (which we'll explain shortly).

QS are calculated independently for each IFQ regulatory area and vessel class. You would not add your best five years' catch over all areas to come up with qualifying poundage. It is reckoned area by area.

Quota shares allocated or permits issued do not represent an absolute right to the resource. They are, rather, a harvesting privilege which may be revoked or amended subject to the Magnuson Act or other applicable laws.

Quota Share Pool or QSP - This is the total of all quota shares for each respective IFQ regulatory area. Again, regulatory areas for halibut are distinct from sablefish regulatory areas.

Individual Fishing Quota or IFQ - This is the amount of fish that you are allowed to harvest each year. It is calculated annually by taking the quota shares you hold and dividing them by the total quota share pool. The resulting figure is the percentage of the harvestable fish to which you have harvesting privileges for that IFQ regulatory area and vessel class. This percentage is then multiplied by the TAC, as determined annually by the Secretary (for sablefish) or the IPHC (for halibut). Mathematically it looks like this:

(QS/QSP) x TAC = IFQ

The Secretary and the IPHC can change the TAC in response to changes in the fish stocks, so your IFQ will vary from year to year. The QSP can also change as appeals are decided and additional quota shares issued, or as quota shares are revoked due to violations.

Community Development Quota or CDQ - This is a program which compensates the communities of western Alaska which are directly affected by the assignment of fishing privileges. Some of these communities have largely been bypassed as the fisheries developed in their own waters, and the Council has decided to take some quota shares from each regulatory area in the Bering Sea/Aleutian Island (BS/AI) region and give them to the appropriate villages. This will **only** happen in the BS/AI region.

To make it fair for non-CDQ BS/AI region fishermen who fished in the CDQ areas and whose IFQ will be reduced by the CDQ allocation, the Council will award you small amounts of quota shares from the other areas, in the same proportion as the amount allocated to the CDQ program. This is why your initial quota shares are a little bit smaller than your qualifying poundage. This adjustment will only happen once as part of your initial allocation of quota shares.

Vessel length overall or LOA - This is the horizontal distance, rounded to the nearest foot, between the foremost part of the stem and the aftermost part of the stern, excluding bowsprits, rudders, outboard motor brackets, and similar fittings or attachments.

IFQ crewmember - This means any individual

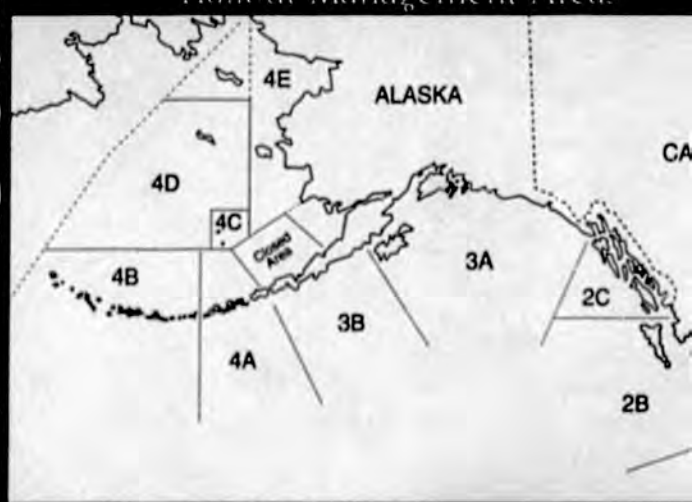
Sample IFQ Calculation

(QS/QSP) x TAC = IFQ

28,950 QS QSP 60,000,000
TAC 12,000,000
IFQ 5,790

(28,950/60,000,000) x 12,000,000 = 5,790

Halibut Management Areas



who has at least 150 days experience working as part of the harvesting crew in any United States commercial fishery, or any individual who receives an initial allocation of quota shares. For purposes of this definition, "harvesting" means work that is directly related to the catching and retaining of fish. Work in support of harvesting but not directly involved with harvesting is not considered harvesting crew work. Only those who receive quota shares by initial issuance, or IFQ crewmembers, may receive quota shares, and the IFQ which results from it, by transfer.

HOW TO APPLY

First let's see who is eligible. To be eligible for an initial quota share allocation you must:

- be a U.S. citizen at the time you apply for quota share. A corporation or partnership qualifies as a citizen if it would have qualified to document a fishing vessel as a vessel of the United States during the QS qualifying years of 1988, 1989 and 1990.
- have owned or leased a vessel that made legal and verifiable landings of halibut or sablefish in the IFQ regulatory areas during 1988, 1989 or 1990.
- apply for your allocation.

Applicants may be individuals, corporations, partnerships, associations, or other entities (or their successors in interest). A former partner of a dissolved partnership or a former shareholder of a dissolved corporation may apply for quota shares in proportion to his or her interest in the dissolved corporation, partnership or business. Estates of deceased fishermen are successors in interest and may also apply.

As mentioned earlier, the NMFS/RAM Division has sent out close to 8,000 Request for Application packets to those who are likely to be eligible. If you have not received a packet and still wish to apply you must first obtain one and return the Request for Application forms to the NMFS/RAM Division. Packets are available throughout Alaska and Seattle at NMFS offices, the offices of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Native Corporations and fishing organizations.

When the NMFS/RAM Division receives your completed and signed Request for Application forms, they will prepare your personal application. This will be based on state and federal landings and catch data and documentation of vessel and permit ownership. This information, compiled by NMFS, is called the **NMFS official IFQ record**. The NMFS official IFQ record is important because it is the first indicator of whether you are qualified for an initial quota share allocation. It is also the basis from which the amount of your quota share is calculated.

When your personal application is ready it will be sent to you. If you agree with the NMFS official IFQ record, you need only sign and return it to the NMFS/RAM Division by July 15th, 1994. If you disagree with any information, such as landings, areas, vessel classes, or with the years listed for recorded landings, or with any of the data printed on the application forms, you should correct the informa-

tion, provide documents and notarized affidavits supporting your position, and return it. If NMFS/RAM is convinced by these documents, then the official IFQ record may be changed and your application will continue to be processed. If not, you will be notified and given 90 days to provide additional information.

If, after a review of this new information, NMFS/RAM personnel are still unconvinced, then your application will be denied, and you will have the opportunity to appeal the disputed portion (under a process which will be explained later). Now let's discuss three issues which may arise as you complete the forms necessary to apply for quota shares. These are leasing, confidentiality and evidence.

LEASING

Let's suppose the official IFQ record held by the NMFS/RAM Division shows that you were the permit holder, and that you made legal landings of Pacific halibut and/or sablefish during the qualifying years for the IFQ program (1988, 1989, and/or 1990). However, since the records do not show that you were the owner of the vessel on which qualifying landings were made, it is presumed that you are not eligible for initial issuance of quota share.

If you were not the vessel owner, but if you believe that you held a legitimate lease on the vessel you operated during one or more of the qualifying years, you may apply for quota share as a lessee. If you and the vessel owner agree that a lease was in effect, you must supply either: a) a copy of the lease document itself showing that you were the leaseholder during the time period(s) in which you are claiming credit; or, b) a statement, signed by both you and the vessel owner, attesting to the fact that a lease was in effect during the time period(s) in which you are claiming credit. The statement may be in any form, but both signatures must be notarized.

If you do not have a copy of the lease document, and if you cannot submit a notarized statement signed by both you and the vessel owner that attests to the existence of a lease during the qualifying years for which credit is claimed, NMFS/RAM will presume that you were not a lease-holder. You may rebut (overcome) that presumption if you submit evidence in the form of authentic documents to prove that you, not the vessel owner, shouldered the financial burdens and risks of the fishing operation during the time period(s) for which you are claiming credit. Examples of such documents may include:

- the receipt(s) for purchase of the license(s) used aboard vessel during the time period(s) for which you are claiming credit;
- tax returns which show that you claimed a business deduction for vessel lease expenses during the time period(s) for which you are claiming credit;
- tax returns or other documents which show that you paid the crew expenses during the time period(s) for which you are claiming credit; and/or,
- other authentic and contemporary documents which demonstrate the nature of your investment in the fishing operation during the time period(s) for which you are claiming credit.

For any of these documents to be considered, you **must** provide a notarized statement, attesting to the authenticity of the documents and explaining,

in detail, the business relationship between you and the vessel owner during the time period(s) for which you are claiming credit as a lease-holder.

After receipt of this information, the NMFS/RAM Division will assess it and make an initial administrative determination on your eligibility for quota share. We may return the application to you and request that you submit additional information to support your claims. If the information you supply is not sufficient to establish your claim that you were a lease-holder during the time period(s) claimed, your application will be denied. In that event, you will be allowed to appeal that determination.

Please note that, if the owner of the vessel which you claim to have leased also applies for quota share credit during the time period(s) for which you are claiming credit, both applications will be denied. In that case, either or both of you may file an appeal. Since the appeals process will surely be time-consuming, both you and the vessel owner could experience delays in receiving the quota share (and the resulting IFQ, which will only be calculated and issued on an annual basis) to which you believe you are entitled.

Therefore, it is clearly in your interest to resolve all disputed facts with the vessel owner BEFORE submitting your application for quota share!

—— CONFIDENTIALITY ——

Under state and federal confidentiality laws, NMFS/RAM may not release catch data or landings data to anyone other than the person who signed the fish ticket. Therefore, even though the NMFS/RAM Division wants to provide you with a record of your landings during the relevant years, they cannot do so. To address this problem, the Division began the pre-application process. On the Request for Application forms which you received earlier, you are asked to sign a waiver of the confidentiality of your data. This waiver allows the Division to use your confidential fish ticket information to properly allocate quota shares to eligible applicants. Since no waiver means no access to the necessary information, every applicant is required to sign the Request for Application form and the waiver which it contains. Once that waiver has been received NMFS/RAM will preprint landings information on your application. The information will be presented as a summary, by year and by total pounds, of the total landings made on your vessel during the relevant years. If someone other than you made those deliveries, a waiver from the person who made the deliveries must be received (unless four or more persons made the deliveries, in which case the data can be summarized) before the summary can be printed and released. This is important if you want to examine the information used by NMFS/RAM to determine your total qualifying pounds. Also, even if you own the vessel and are otherwise qualified, if the total quota share allocation cannot be revealed for lack of waivers, you may not receive the quota shares to which you are entitled. To be on the safe side, it's a good idea to get waivers signed from every skipper who fished on your boat and signed fish tickets during the quota share base years (1984-1990) and to submit those waivers with your applications.

EVIDENCE

If you believe that the NMFS official IFQ record does not fairly reflect your situation and that you would therefore not receive the quota share which you think you deserve, you will have an opportunity to present evidence to support your claim. "Evidence" is a general term which applies to any and all documents or statements which you provide in support of your application. Documents might include pilothouse logs, original copies of fish tickets, vessel purchase documents, tax returns, cancelled checks, or anything else which you think will support your claim. Written statements, in the form of affidavits (sworn and notarized statements attesting to a set of facts) may also serve as evidence. The NMFS/RAM staff will require that you submit an affidavit with all documentary evidence. The affidavit should state what it is you're trying to prove, what the documents mean, where they came from, and any other facts which you wish to present. And one last word about evidence - **tell the truth!** Fraud is a criminal offense and anyone suspected of knowingly submitting false information on their application will be investigated and, if the facts warrant it, prosecuted.

PROGRAM RESTRICTIONS

One of the goals of the Council in adopting the IFQ program was to preserve, as much as possible, the nature and size of the fleet. The Council kept this in mind when they designed the quota share, ownership and transfer restrictions. These restrictions are designed to prevent excessive consolidation of the fleet and to prevent the fisheries from being dominated by one vessel size. Even with these restrictions in place, the Council expects that the total number of vessels involved in the halibut and sablefish fisheries will decline.

With quota shares being assigned to vessel categories and regulatory areas, the current make-up of the fleet can then be preserved by restricting transfers of quota shares among categories and areas. For instance, the quota share issued in vessel Category B, area 2C, will remain in vessel Category B, area 2C, no matter how many times it may be transferred. As a result, the same percentage of quota share will remain in the categories in which they were originally awarded.

VESSEL CLASSES — AND IFQ — REGULATORY AREAS

Quota shares are issued specifically to a vessel class and to an IFQ regulatory area. With six areas and three vessel categories for sablefish, and eight areas and four vessel categories for halibut, this means that 50 different "types" of quota share will be issued!

Quota shares for halibut are independent of quota shares for sablefish. Quota share allocations will be assigned to a specific vessel category, based on the length overall (as opposed to register length). Vessel categories are described by both length overall and the kind of operation.

- Category A - a freezer vessel of any length;
- Category B - a catcher vessel greater than 60 feet in length overall;
- Category C - a catcher vessel less than or equal to 60 feet in length overall for sablefish, or a catcher vessel greater than 35 feet but less than or equal to 60 feet in length overall for halibut; and
- Category D - a catcher vessel less than or

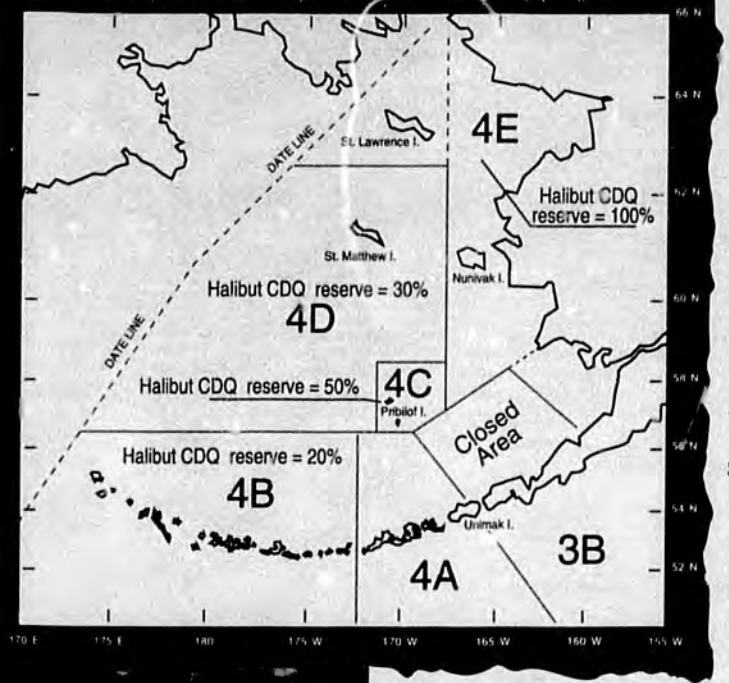
Vessel Categories

Vessel length	Freezer Vessel (any length)	Catcher Ve	
		Sablefish	H
Over 60'	A	B	
35' to 60'		C	
0 to 35'			

Freezer Vessel - Any vessel used to pr its catch during any fishing trip

Halibut Management Areas

(showing percentage of quota reserved for CDQ program)



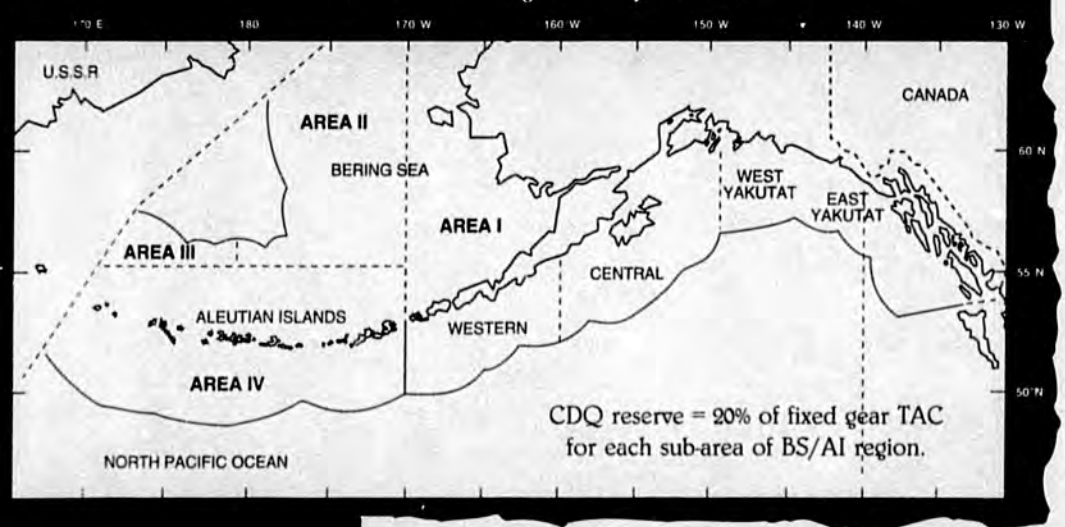
equal to 35 feet in length overall for halibut.

To determine the category to which quota share will be assigned, NMFS/RAM will look at the vessel you used in the halibut or sablefish fisheries. We will look at the last vessel which you fished during the years 1988, 1989, 1990 or 1991 up to September 25th. If, during the most recent year, you fished more than one vessel, and those vessels fall into different categories, the quota share will be assigned to each vessel category in proportion to the landings made on each vessel. **It is important to take note of the higher priority placed upon groundfish in these calculations.** Groundfish records are examined first. If the most recent year of your fishing participation involved groundfish, whether it was sablefish or even rockfish, that will take precedence in the assignment to a vessel category over halibut. If **no** groundfish were harvested, then halibut landings will be considered.

If your vessel froze or processed **any** fish, whether halibut or sablefish, during the most recent year fished (1988, 1989, 1990 or 1991 up to September 25th) the quota shares issued will be freezer/longliner shares, or Category A.

This is the basic outline for vessel categories and how they're determined. **This is a rather complicated part of the regulations. For further clarification on any point here, call 1-800-304-4846.**

Sablefish Regulatory Areas



WHO MAY FISH THE IFQ's?

TRANSFER AND — OWNER-ON-BOARD — RESTRICTIONS

As noted earlier, the Council and the Secretary have taken steps to ensure that the current make-up of the fleet is not unduly disrupted by the IFQ program, and that most vessels in the fishery are operated by their owners. To maintain this predominantly "owner-operated" nature of the fishery, the program provides:

* Only quota share holders who receive their quota upon initial issuance may hire masters to fish the resulting IFQ. In Southeast Alaska (halibut area 2C and the sablefish area east of 140 degrees west longitude), only corporations or partnerships may hire masters.
* When quota share is transferred, it may only be transferred to an entity that received an initial award of quota share or to an individual who is a qualified IFQ crewmember. If quota share is transferred to an individual, that individual must be on board while the IFQ is being fished.

* Though an individual who receives quota share by initial issuance may incorporate his or her business and transfer the quota share to that corporation, the requirement in Southeast Alaska, area 2C and east of 140 degrees west longitude, that the owner is on board while the IFQ is being fished, remains.

* Quota share may be pledged as collateral. In other words, it can be financed by an entity other than the transferor or the transferee, and it can be repossessed. However, if it is repossessed, the financial institution may not receive IFQ and fish it; that institution may only sell the quota share to a qualified IFQ crewmember or to a person who received quota share upon initial issuance.

— OWNERSHIP AND — VESSEL HARVEST CAPS

• Unless it was part of an initial quota share allocation, no one may own or use sablefish quota share greater than 1% of the combined sablefish quota share for the Gulf of Alaska and the BS/AI region. A similar limit is placed on the amount of sablefish which any one vessel may harvest, except: no more than 1% of the total sablefish quota share for the area east of 140 degrees west longitude may be owned or used by one individual or harvested by one vessel, unless the amount in excess of 1% was received in the initial allocation of quota share.

• For halibut, no more than 1/2% of the total halibut quota share for combined areas 2C, 3A and B may be owned or harvested unless the amount was given initially. The same 1/2% limit applies to combined areas 4A,B,C,D and E. For vessels, no vessel may be used, during any fishing year, to harvest more than 1% of the halibut catch limit for this area. To reiterate, no more than 1% of the total quota share for area 2C may be owned or taken by one individual or harvested by one vessel.

— RECOMMENDED — BLOCK RESTRICTIONS

In addition to these limits, the Council has recommended block restrictions to further guard against excessive consolidation of quota shares. At this point the regulations for block restrictions are still being developed. They will be put before the public for comment, and then submitted to the Secretary for approval. At present, there are four basic elements of the block policy.

• All initial quota share allocations, for both halibut and sablefish, which would yield less than 20,000 lbs. of IFQ in 1994, would be placed permanently in a **block**. Blocks would not be divisible and could only be bought or transferred in their entirety.

• A **sweep-up provision** would allow very small blocks to be combined into a fishable amount. For halibut, blocks with quota share which would yield less than 1,000 lbs. could be combined if the sum total would not amount to quota share which would be worth more than 1,000 lbs. of IFQ in 1994. The same provisions would apply for sablefish, except that the poundage cap is set at 3,000 lbs.

• Ownership restrictions would apply to both halibut and sablefish. You could hold up to two blocks of quota shares per IFQ regulatory area, if you do not hold any unblocked shares in that area as well. If you hold unblocked quota shares for one area, you may hold, in addition, only one block of quota shares for that area. If you qualify and want to buy unblocked quota shares for a particular area, you could do so. The only limits imposed would be those spelled out in the vessel use and cap restrictions (the 1/2% and

Ownership Caps

	Area	C
Halibut	**2C**	1
	2C, 3A, 3B	1/
	4A, B, C, D, E	1/
Sablefish	**Gulf of Alaska and BS/AI Region**	1
	East of 140°W	1

1% caps for the different areas).

• Initial quota share allocations which would yield greater than 20,000 lbs. of IFQ in 1994 would be **unblocked** quota share, and could be bought or transferred in any amount. This quota share could be divided up piecemeal as you saw fit.

THE APPEALS PROCESS

Now that we have looked at the IFQ program and the restrictions which accompany it, let's explain how the appeals process works. Appeals can be made for any number of reasons. Let's suppose that your records don't agree with the official IFQ record, or you feel that you're eligible for an initial allocation when NMFS does not. You may want to transfer blocks of quota shares and be denied the chance to do so, or you may feel that you deserve more quota shares than were initially awarded. Whatever the dispute, once the NMFS/RAM staff has made a final determination, there will be an opportunity to appeal. Let's look at the mechanics of the appeals process.

If your application has been denied, or (what is more likely) an amount of fish which you claim to have legally landed is in dispute, you will be given 90 days to file a written appeal. In your appeal you must spell out in detail why you believe the NMFS decision was in error, and what additional documents - such as skipper's logs or affidavits from crew - you can provide as further evidence.

Your appeal will be reviewed by a NMFS appellate officer within the RAM Division. The officer may grant your appeal, deny it, or order an administrative hearing. Ultimately, the appellate officer will prepare a written decision which will be sent to you.

If your appeal is still denied and you wish to appeal further, you have 45 days to file an appeal to the NMFS Regional Director. The Regional Director may also order a review of the appellate officer's decision, if he feels there are reasons to do so. After his review the Regional Director may uphold the decision, reverse it, modify it, or ask the appellate officer to consider the case once more. If after all this you are still in disagreement with the decision, you may appeal to the Federal District Court.

One important way in which the IFQ program is different from the State of Alaska's Limited Entry program, is that no "interim quota share" will be issued while disputes are being settled through the appeals process. If you feel that you are due 20,000 lbs. of quota shares and the NMFS/RAM Division agrees with a lesser amount, and issues you 15,000 lbs., you may harvest only the IFQ amount based on a 15,000 lbs. quota share, until the remaining 5,000 lbs. dispute is resolved.

The system has been set up to provide ample opportunities for everyone

to be heard and to present their case. The many steps in the process are necessary to make sure that fishing privileges are extended to those who deserve them and that every applicant receives "due process".

USE AND ISSUANCE OF IFQS

The plan is for skippers to be pulling away from the docks by next spring, with IFQ cards hanging in the wheelhouse. These cards will be issued early in 1995. As we've mentioned, the application process has already been set in motion, and in the following months applications will be examined, appeals determined, quota shares issued and transferred, 1995 TACs established, and finally, IFQ cards issued.

These cards will identify the person holding the permit and the assigned vessel and area category. They will be much like a credit card. We'll call them debit-cards. When you make a delivery, you will give this card to a representative of the registered buyer and (s)he will pass it through a machine similar to one used with credit cards. The poundage delivered will be entered and a receipt printed with the date and the pounds landed. Just like a credit card, if you have more quota share left, you will be advised of your "credit balance", or the remaining poundage which you may harvest.

BYCATCH, LANDINGS AND DELIVERIES

Enforcement of fisheries regulations is by its nature expensive and difficult. The IFQ program will give you as fishermen a very personal stake in the health of the resource. If the sablefish stocks go down sharply, your IFQ will drop just as sharply, because the total allowable catch, or TAC, will have to fall.

Some rules have been added to help you fish cleanly. Pacific cod and rockfish must be kept on board if they are taken as bycatch while fishing under the IFQ program, since they are not likely to survive if thrown overboard. As long as you have not harvested your IFQ amount, you cannot discard any legal-size halibut or sablefish. This practice of high-grading catch is wasteful, and in the long run is not in your best interest. Any activity which will ultimately harm the resource will degrade the value of your quota share and jeopardize future fisheries.

Estimated Quota Sha

	Regulatory Areas				
Species	2C	3A	3B	4A	4B
Halibut	57,575,000	175,411,000	50,180,000	13,107,000	8,262,
Sablefish	East Yakutat	West Yakutat	Central Gulf of Alaska	Western Gulf	Aleut Islar
	59,944,000	48,039,000	100,932,000	31,299,000	27,997

These are preliminary estimates developed by Quota Share Board with Stock Assessment

Some aspects of the hailing and landing requirements may be adjusted in the future. At present, landings may be made at **any** port. There has been some controversy and confusion over this, so it bears repeating; landings may be made at **any** port. The Secretary has designated 16 Alaskan towns and Bellingham, Washington, as **primary ports**. There may be a NMFS enforcement officer at each of these 17 ports to record IFQ landings. You must call in over the radio at least six hours before making port, and give an estimated time of arrival as well as estimated poundage aboard.

If you wish to deliver in a town which is not a primary port, you must still radio in six hours ahead of time, but you would then be free to deliver. Spot checks may take place in non-primary ports. For vessels leaving Alaska with IFQ product on board, clearance must be obtained at one of the primary

ports before departing waters in or adjacent to the State of Alaska. For vessels obtaining clearance at a port in Washington or another state, the vessel must report to NMFS, Alaska Region, the estimated weight of the IFQ halibut and/or IFQ sablefish onboard and the intended date, time and location of delivery. Such reports must be submitted to NMFS, Alaska Region, prior to departing waters in or adjacent to the State of Alaska, and in the manner prescribed by the registered buyer permit.

All fish harvested under the IFQ program must be sold to a registered buyer. This helps to track how much fish is caught and where it's going. You may bring your catch to port and sell it dockside to the public if **you** hold a buyer's permit, and follow all the reporting rules.

REACHING THE LIMITS

While setting catch limits is easy to do on paper, it's more realistic to acknowledge that you might aim for your IFQ limit and yet come up a little bit short or a little bit over. If you take too much, this is called **overage**, and a downward adjustment will be made in the following year to your IFQ amount. **It is your responsibility to avoid overages greater than 5% of your IFQ amount.** Beyond that, you will have committed a violation and invited the attention of the enforcement authorities. A harvested amount under the IFQ limit, called an **underage**, is not reallocated in subsequent years.

IFQS UNDERWAY

We've looked at the conditions which have been built into the IFQ program to ensure that in the future the fleet remains similar to what it is today. These ideas - the ownership caps, the harvest limits for vessels, the proposed block restrictions - have all come from looking at previous IFQ programs and learning from their experiences.

The Tlingit and Haida people of Southeast Alaska evolved a culture which let different clans own the fishing rights to particular streams or rivers. They defused the "tragedy of the commons" by this system of ownership. Claims to streams or particular localities on a river were widely recognized and respected. Protection of the resource was a high priority. If they caught too many fish, or abused the stream itself – they might starve.

We've come a long way from the days when our fish resources were harvested only for subsistence. Our methods for catching fish are now highly efficient and make use of 20th century technology. But as we've learned in so many ways over the last few decades, technological advances must be tempered with a real concern for the resource. The IFQ program does this. It taps the wisdom of an earlier people. Hard work, flexibility and cooperation are essential to make this program successful. We're confident that we can work together with fishermen and women to make this a reality.

This publication is intended to provide a simplified explanation of the Individual Fishing Quota program as adopted by the Secretary of Commerce. Although it has been carefully reviewed for accuracy it is not intended to be a legal guide to the program. Those seeking legal guidance should consult the Federal Register, Vol. 58, pg. 59375, published on November 9, 1993.

For more information call or write the National Marine Fisheries Service (Restricted Access Management Division)

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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS TO KNOW

CDQ	Community Development Quota
Council	North Pacific Fishery Management Council
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EEZ	Exclusive Economic Zone
IFQ	Individual Fishing Quota
IPHC	International Pacific Halibut Commission
ITQ	Individual Transferable Quota
IVQ	Individual Vessel Quota
LOA	Length overall
MFCMA	Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
QS	Quota share
QSP	Quota share pool
RAM	Restricted Access Management
SEIS	Supplemental EIS
TAC	Total allowable catch

TIMELINE

- **Late 1970's** - Council discusses limited entry options
- **1983** - Council recommends a moratorium on entry into the halibut fisheries
- **Mid-1980's** - Council considers limited entry for sablefish fisheries
- **1985** - Council asks industry to suggest management alternatives to open access
- **1987** - Council adopts a Statement of Commitment to "develop strategies for license limitation or the use of individual transferable quotas in the sablefish fixed gear fishery"
- **Early 1988** - Workshops are held to get industry and public input, in order to further develop feasible options to the derby fisheries
- **Mid-1988** - Council directs staff to develop five management options for the sablefish fixed gear fishery; 1) continued open access without modification, 2) modified open access, 3) IFQs, 4) license limitation, and 5) a combined license/quota/open access system
- **December 1988** - Council declares status quo unacceptable. Wants to look further into IFQs and license limitation
- **November 1989** - Council analyzes four options for future management of the sablefish fisheries off Alaska; 1) continued open access, 2) license limitation, 3)IFQs, and 4) a combination system called annual fishing allotments
- **April 1990** - Council weighs IFQs against open access management
- **May 1991** - The revised supplement to the Supplemental EIS for sablefish fishery management is released for public review. Also, an EIS is in preparation to look at IFQs for the halibut fisheries
- **September 1991** - Council provisionally recommends IFQs for **both** halibut and sablefish fisheries
- **Late 1991** - Draft Implementation Plan made available for review. A public hearing is held
- **December 8th, 1991** - Council recommends IFQ alternative for the halibut and sablefish fixed gear fisheries
- **January 1992** - Council calls for more study of potential effects of the IFQ plan
- **March 1992** - Supplemental analysis made available to the public
- **May 15th, 1992** - A 45 day public comment period announced
- **December 3rd, 1992** - Proposed rule is published. Subsequently receive 92 letters of comment
- **January 29th, 1993** - Secretary of Commerce approves the recommended IFQ program
- **November 9th, 1993** - Final rule is published in the Federal Register, Vol. 58, pg. 59375
- **January 17th, 1994** - Six month application period for initial quota share allocation opens

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January 9, 1995

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Subject: IFQ Implementation Report

Dear Mr. Lauber:

This is an update on the status of implementation of the halibut/sablefish IFQ program. Since the December 6 update, the Restricted Access Management Division of the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS/RAM) has been occupied primarily with three tasks: (1) processing additional documentation requested under 90-day evidentiary "windows" and issuing Quota Share (QS) to persons whose claims match NMFS records; (2) issuing denials for claims that remain unsubstantiated after the close of a 90-day window; and (3) issuing initiative administrative determinations for parties whose QS claims remain in conflict with other parties and whose 90-day windows have elapsed.

On January 31, the 1995 QS Pools will be established. All QS issuable will be included in the pools by that date and all remaining QS certificates will be mailed.

APPLICATIONS/APPLICATION PROCESSING

The following tables display, by total number, the status of the QS issuance and applications process as of January 6, 1995 (end of last week). As in prior reports, all numbers are rounded.

Status of Initial Applications

All persons applying for QS were required to complete and to submit a Request for Application by July 15, 1994. The following table displays the status of that activity (these same numbers were reported to the Council at the December meeting):

	Halibut	Sablefish	Total
RFAs made available:	7590	1950	9540

	Halibut	Sablefish	Total
RFAs made available:	7500	1900	9500
RFAs undeliverable:	610	70	680
RFAs duplicates:	190	30	220
RFAs not returned:	1200	200	1400
Total RFAs returned to NMFS:	**5500**	**1700**	**7600**

Of these 7,600 applications, processing is moving forward rapidly. Because some persons have been issued QS that satisfy part, but not all, of their application(s), the following table displays statistics on QS permits applied for and issued.

Status of QS Permits

	Halibut	Sablefish	Total
Total QS permits applied for =	6800	1900	8300
QS Permits Already Issued:	**4870**	**1670**	**6521**
QS Permits still to be issued =	2030	830	2860
Estimated CDQ Compensation permits to be issued =			910
Total permits still to be issued =			3770

The 5,661 QS permits already issued were sent to 3,350 persons.

Additional Information Requested from Applicants

Awaiting More Evidence (response to "30-day" letters):	620	110	730
Awaiting Applicant Challenge (response to Data Summaries):	2530	540	3070
Totals of Information Requested:	**3150**	**650**	**4100**
Applications in Conflict (most involve both species):	58	22	
Denials and Appeals			
Applications Denied:	79	28	
Appeals Filed:			12
Hearings Granted:			9
Appeals Denied:			2

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HEAD-TERM PROCESSING IMPLICATIONS

We have established a tentative mailing schedule for completion of certificates of January 15, 20, and February 5, which will allow 30-day automatic "windows" to close. Approximately 600 GP certificates (permits) will be mailed January 15. A substantial proportion of claims covering the end of a 30-day window will likely be denied as ineligible.

CONFIDENTIALITY ISSUES

NMFS/GOM continues to receive waivers for landings which are otherwise confidential to vessel owners and lessors under state and federal confidentiality rules. At this time, data must be held confidential on applications for fewer than 100 GP permits (area/species/vessel category combinations). We continue to seek ways in which GP may be issued to these applicants, even if we may not reveal the total qualifying pounds on a year-by-year basis.

IFQ IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

Calculation of IFQ computation will be accomplished following the January meeting (and will rely, to some extent, on January action). We expect to have IFQ computation GP issued later in January.

IFQ CPUE HOLDER TRANSFER ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATES

NMFS/GOM widely distributed "IFQ Crew Member Transfer Eligibility Certificate" (TEC) applications for individuals who, while not receiving GP by initial issuance, nevertheless wish to gain eligibility to receive GP and/or IFQ by transfer. To date, approximately 60 of these applications have been processed and TECs have been issued. We are able to process applications as they arrive.

GP/IFQ TRANSFER APPLICATIONS

Applications for transfer of Quota Share are included with the Quota Share Certificates mailed and also were widely distributed

to fishing associations, brokers, and others. To date we have received 3 Transfer Applications and will process those later this week.

REGISTERED BUYER PERMITS/TRANSACTION TERMINALS

We are in the process of distributing "Registered Buyer Applications" for those who wish to be authorized to make or receive landings of IFQ fish. This package also includes a request for an automated transaction terminal, with which required electronic reporting of IFQ landings will be accomplished. This week, NMFS/WM will mail application packets to approximately 6,000 persons, including known receivers and processors of Alaskan fish who are located in Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California, and Canada; persons who have recently held groundfish, or halibut permits with NMFS or the International Pacific Halibut Commission, respectively; and IFQ managing organizations. As a convenience to fishermen and to facilitate electronic reporting, we are attempting to place transaction terminals with approximately 1[illegible] harbormasters in the aforementioned locations. NMFS/WM will also distribute forms widely to associations, brokers, etc., and request.

Also, final programming for the Transaction Terminals to be used for making landings of IFQ products is nearing completion. During late January and early February, we will be distributing these machines to eligible buyers and to public locations (such as harbormaster offices) to insure that they are readily available to the fisherman when IFQ landings are being made.

PUBLIC INFORMATION EFFORTS

Central to the success of the program is the effort made to maintain good communications with the public, and to efficiently respond to public concerns.

To that end, we have maintained our toll-free telephone number (800-[illegible]), which is being heavily used (during October alone, we received over 5,000 calls on the line, accounting for some 15,000 minutes (or, 250 hours of toll charges).

We are in the final editing stages of a new informational brochure. This will be similar in design to the earlier publication (**The IFQ Program: Insights and Updates**) published in February 1994, but will focus more precisely on permits, fishing practices, and landing and reporting requirements under the IFQ