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ANNOUNCEMENT

Today in Senate Resources we will hold a hearing on Alaska Stranded Gas Act Applications. The topic will be the relative benefits to the State of a gas pipeline built by an independent pipeline company versus a pipeline company affiliated with production companies.

Testimony is by invitation only:

- ✓ Kirk Morgan / VP & Project Manager
Alaska Gas Transmission Co./MidAmerican Energy Holdings
- ✓ Joe Marushack – Conoco Phillips representing the Producers
- Mark Hanley – Anadarko representing the explorers

All Legislators are invited to attend – meeting will be held in the Senate Finance Committee Room – from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.



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Testimony of Joseph P. Marushack
Vice-President, ANS Gas Development
ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc.

Senate Resources, March 31, 2004

“Is it in the State’s best interest that an independent pipeline company own the Alaska Pipeline?”

Mr. Chairman and members of the Senate Resources Committee, my name is Joe Marushack with ConocoPhillips. With me on the phone is Ken Konrad of BP. Thank you for allowing me to address this question. I think the response to this question really has four very important components.

First, the only successful project will be the project that provides the lowest cost of service to market. Whether the pipeline company is affiliated or unaffiliated with gas shippers, producers or others is not the critical issue. The critical issue is getting the project developed. In this regard, what matters most is how much it costs to transport gas to market. The lowest-cost solution advances the State’s best interests because it will provide the greatest royalty value, the greatest tax base, and the greatest incentive for

exploration. From the producers' standpoint, the lowest cost of service project will maximize the value of the resource. And as a major exploration investor, we need a cost of service that is low enough to encourage further exploration.

One needs to consider the question, "Who is most interested in developing the lowest cost transportation system? Who wants to see the lowest possible tolls?" The answer: producers and the State want the lowest costs, because it means higher netbacks and higher revenues. A pipeline company does not necessarily share that incentive, because its profits come solely from the toll and the greater the investment the larger the return. But the impact to the producers and the State is a smaller netback.

Second, it is much too early for any one pipeline project or project sponsor to be committed to on an exclusive basis. The State needs to know which project will maximize the value of the State's resources. This needs to be an informed choice. We can't imagine that after so much interest in developing gas resources that the State would wish to sideline any party from attempting to develop a project.

You may also remember that one of the key factors we continue to pursue in Washington is the enabling legislation. That legislation would provide a clear regulatory process for the pipeline, and care has been taken to craft this legislation so that any project sponsor (not just the producers) could use it as the framework for the pipeline project.

Additionally, we have specifically requested of the State that any pipeline-specific terms negotiated under the SGDA be fully assignable to any party, including independent pipeline companies, to allow the widest possible participation.

The third issue is the extent to which ownership affects access to and management of the pipeline. Again, whether the pipeline company is affiliated or unaffiliated with the gas owners is not the critical issue. This pipeline will be regulated by FERC regardless of who owns the pipeline. FERC will insure that access is fair and that terms and conditions are consistent regardless of sponsor, and that rates of return to the pipeline owners are reasonable. FERC insures that the pipeline owners do not discriminate in providing access or administering expansions. This is an important point, as the producers' pipeline proposal envisions transporting

50 TCF or more over the project's life. Currently, only around 60%, or approximately 35 tcf, has been discovered on the North Slope. Thus, the producers' proposal is dependent on additional gas being discovered and accessing the line.

There would be no procedural difference between a producer-owned pipeline and an independent-owned pipeline. Under either case, the pipeline would be Open Access and regulated by the FERC and NEB. Open Access means that any party can purchase pipeline capacity without discrimination. This may include but is not limited to producers, Local Distribution Companies (LDC's), utilities, gas marketers, explorers, the State or even speculators. All that is needed is creditworthiness and a promise to pay for capacity. The FERC and NEB process for securing this capacity has been in place for many years. Additionally, FERC, in November 2003 issued new regulations which establish a code of conduct governing activities between FERC regulated gas pipelines and all of their energy affiliates. These new regulations require that firewalls be established between pipeline personnel and their other energy affiliates, including their producing affiliates and gas marketing affiliates. These rules recognize that pipeline operators may have

affiliates that operate in other segments of the energy industry, and they are designed to ensure that pipelines nevertheless operate impartially.

Any mandate of ownership requirements at this stage does not make the project more likely, rather it threatens project viability. Indeed, FERC encourages competing pipeline proposals. FERC views this as helpful in developing a project that meets their obligation to protect the Nation's best interests. FERC recognizes that limiting project sponsors from competing may result in a poorer project or even no project at all. A recent example is the competing pipeline projects that have been proposed to transport re-gasified LNG from the Bahamas to Florida. FERC has approved both projects, relying on market forces to determine which project proceeds.

Fourth, and by no means least, is the whole question of allocation of risk. As explained, the producers are aligned with the State in ensuring the most efficient and lowest cost of service. Independent pipeline owners who do not have a stake in other parts of the value chain earn profits derived solely from the toll. Will these investors assume cost risk or simply pass that risk through to the State and the producers? There is potential for a lack of alignment that can further jeopardize the project. This is because neither the

State nor the shippers would be in a position to manage or limit cost overruns, yet we would remain liable for the overruns through the pipeline's rates. While there might be an opportunity to challenge the prudence of the pipeline's actions, the burden of proof would be on the challenger. This issue must be considered in the overall context of developing a viable pipeline project.

So in short, we believe that it is in the best interest of the State, the producers, and natural gas consumers that the process for developing a pipeline project be allowed to run its course under the terms of the Stranded Gas Development Act, without any grant of exclusive rights. As legislators looking out for Alaska's interests, we suggest that the key considerations are, which project:

- Has the lowest cost to market
- Ensures open access
- Includes risk sharing that supports project viability.

In the interest of time I will stop and look forward to responding to any questions you may have.

Alaska Gas Transmission Company



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Alaska's Natural Gas Pipeline

MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company and its subsidiary, Alaska Gas Transmission Company, have joined forces with an Alaska qualified sponsor group to facilitate the transportation of stranded natural gas from Alaska's North Slope to lower 48 and Canadian energy markets.

MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company, one of the country's largest interstate natural gas pipeline operators, is leading the project. MidAmerican is a Berkshire Hathaway affiliate. Two Alaska-owned companies, CIRI and Pacific Star Energy, LLC, are the other members of the project sponsor group. CIRI and Pacific Star Energy, LLC, would each hold up to 9.95 percent interest in the project. Consequently, up to 19.9 percent of all pipeline profits would stay in Alaska and flow through Alaska's economy.

In January 2004, the Alaska Department of Revenue accepted the Alaska Gas application to negotiate tax and financial terms with the state of Alaska under the Alaska Stranded Gas Development Act for authority to transport stranded North Slope natural gas to markets. Alaska Gas proposes to build a 48-inch high-pressure natural gas pipeline from the North Slope area near Alaska's Prudhoe Bay along the Trans-Alaska (oil) Pipeline System route and the Alaska Highway to the Alaska-Yukon border near Beaver Creek.

Alaska Gas is pursuing project development in anticipation of a December 31, 2010, in-service date.

The proposed Alaska gas pipeline would connect at the border with a new, companion pipeline in Canada. This pipeline would be built by TransCanada's Foothills Pipe Lines Ltd. subsidiary and/or others. It could either

be an extension of the existing Foothills pipeline or developed by other entities. Either way, the Canadian facilities would allow Alaska natural gas to move through multiple existing downstream pipeline systems to virtually every market center in the lower 48 states and Canada. It

could also allow future development of hub distribution centers and gas lines to transport North Slope gas to Alaska.



"We have taken the first step toward getting stranded Alaska gas to Canada and the lower 48 United States. We look forward to working with the state of Alaska and continue to strongly encourage Congress to pass national energy legislation that will facilitate this project."

Bob Sluder
President
Alaska Gas
Transmission
Company



"This agreement is the direct result of our long-held philosophy of cultivating relationships with outstanding business partners who are capable of executing complex transactions. This is an outstanding pipeline deal that will benefit all of Alaska."

Carl Marrs
President & CEO
CIRI



"Commercializing North Slope gas has been a dream that we Alaskans have had for more than three decades. This is an extremely exciting project that could generate significant value for the state of Alaska and all Alaskans."

Ken Thompson
President & CEO
Pacific Star
Energy, LLC



MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company

MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company, an affiliate of Berkshire Hathaway, is based in Des Moines, Iowa, and is a privately owned global provider of energy services. Through its energy-related business platforms – CalEnergy Generation, Kern River Gas Transmission Company, Northern Natural Gas Company, MidAmerican Energy Company and CE Electric UK – MidAmerican provides electric and natural gas service to 5 million customers worldwide. Diversification and a vision for growth have forged an enterprise with some \$19 billion in assets and \$6.3 billion in annual revenues. MidAmerican employs 11,500 worldwide.

MidAmerican's interstate pipeline subsidiaries, Kern River and Northern Natural, own and operate more than 18,000 miles of pipeline facilities, making MidAmerican the second-largest interstate natural gas transmission company in the United States. MidAmerican continues to expand its investment in the energy industry through a combination of sensible and methodical acquisitions, growth of existing operations and development of new projects, such as the proposed Alaska gas pipeline.

Additional information about MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company and its businesses is available at www.midamerican.com.

CIRI

CIRI is one of 12 Alaska-based regional corporations established by Congress under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971. It has some 7,200 Alaska Native shareholders of Athabascan, Inupiat, Alutiiq, Aleut, Yup'ik and Tlingit/Haida/Tsimshian descent. CIRI is routinely counted among Alaska's most successful companies and has a diverse business portfolio including tourism and resorts, construction services, oilfield support, telecommunications, real estate and resource development projects.

CIRI has some \$775 million in assets and average annual revenues of more than \$246 million during the past five years. The diversified company's businesses include:

- Joint venture interests in **Alaska Interstate Construction, LLC**, and **Peak Oilfield Service Co.**, which provide construction and mining services, equipment maintenance and oilfield services primarily in Alaska.
- **Alaska Heritage Tours**, which features destinations that embody the vast wilderness and cultural spirit of the "Great Land." CIRI tourism products include lodging, transportation, sightseeing and adventure activities, as well as tour packages featuring Prince William Sound, Denali National Park and Kenai Fjords National Park.
- Outside of Alaska, CIRI is an investment partner in the **Hyatt Regency Lake Las Vegas Resort**, **The Ritz-Carlton, Lake Las Vegas** and **The Westin Kierland Resort & Spa** in Scottsdale, Arizona. CIRI also owns and operates the **Casino MonteLago** at MonteLago Village, Lake Las Vegas.

- CIRI has been a national success story for minority participation in radio and television broadcasting as well as in wireless and wireline telecommunications. CIRI's extraordinary success in wireless telephone investments began as a series of partnerships with **BellSouth Corp.** and **VoiceStream Wireless Corp.** These ventures, which operate digital wireless telephone networks in markets across the country, were based on strong partner relationships.
- CIRI is the largest private landowner in Alaska's Cook Inlet area, with holdings that include productive oil and gas acreage.

Additional information about CIRI and its businesses is available at www.ciri.com.

Pacific Star Energy LLC

Pacific Star Energy, or the "Alaska Natural Gas Consortium," is an Alaska company that was created to help develop Alaska natural gas projects. It is headed by former ARCO Alaska president Ken Thompson and jointly owned by top Alaska companies that today include:

- The Aleut Corporation
- Arctic Slope Regional Corporation
- Bering Straits Native Corporation
- Bristol Bay Native Corporation
- Calista Corporation
- Chugach Alaska Corporation
- CIRI
- Doyon, Limited
- Koniag, Inc.
- NANA Development Corporation
- Pacific Rim Leadership Development LLC
- Sealaska Corporation
- The 13th Regional Corporation

Pacific Star's mission is to pool resources from Alaska investors so that it is financially able to develop Alaska natural gas projects that will benefit Alaskans. The company's corporate vision is to reinvest profits from its gas projects to develop additional Alaska natural gas infrastructure. It plans to:

- Invest in North Slope gas development and marketing
- Assist gas project development in obtaining pipeline permits across Native and other lands
- Assist gas projects in government and other stakeholder relations
- Keep significant Alaska natural gas project profits in the state
- Foster Alaska natural gas distribution and use
- Develop Alaska natural gas value-added processing
- Enhance Alaska-hire employment opportunities

Project Facts

- Alaska's North Slope has more than 35 trillion cubic feet of proven natural gas reserves and more than 100 trillion cubic feet of potential reserves.
- Alaska natural gas development has been hampered by the difficulty and expense of transporting gas from remote North Slope wells to major Outside markets.
- North American natural gas supplies are declining more steeply than expected, and demand is steadily increasing. Natural gas is now used for cooking and heating in 70 percent of U.S. homes. It also supplies 40 percent of U.S. industrial energy needs and is the most popular energy source for new and existing electricity generation plants.
- The proposed Alaska Gas pipeline would follow the 745-mile "Alaska Highway" route approved by Congress in the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Act of 1976.
- The pipeline would initially be designed to carry 4.5 Bcf/d of natural gas at an operating pressure of 2,500 psig.
- The current system design includes six compressor stations that would use gas turbine compressors rated collectively at 256,000 ISO horsepower.
- The proposed Alaska gas pipeline is estimated to involve direct costs of \$6.3 billion (2002 dollars).
- The overall project is dependent upon local, state, federal and Canadian regulatory approvals.

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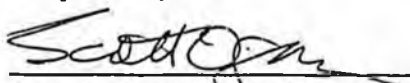
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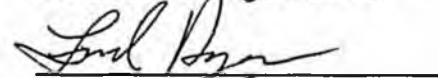
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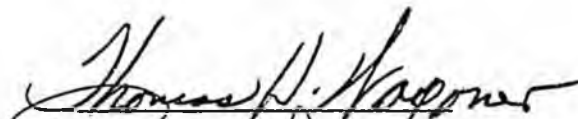
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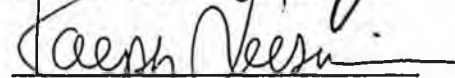

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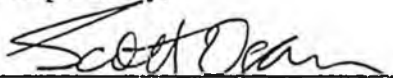
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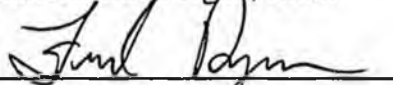
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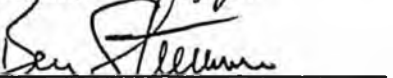
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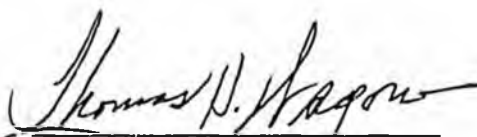


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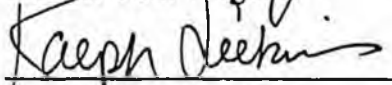


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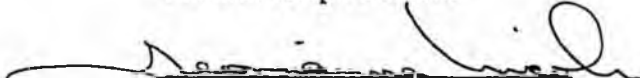
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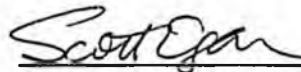
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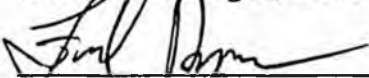
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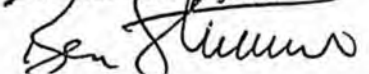
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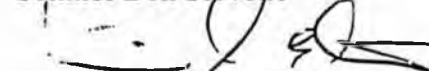
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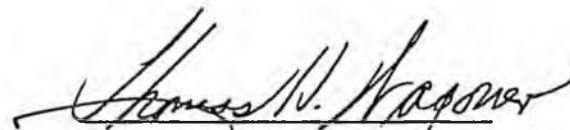
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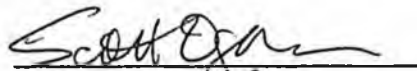
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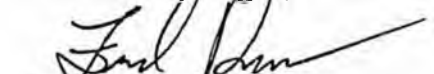
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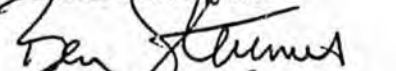
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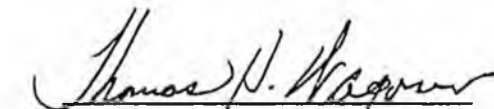
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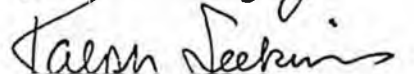
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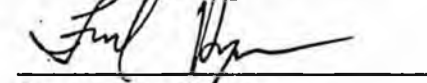
Board of Fisheries: Dr. Floyd F. Bouse

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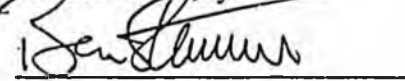
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Senator Scott Ogan, Chair

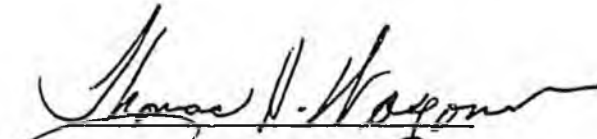


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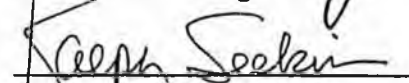


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REPORT ON CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS

May 12, 2003

The Honorable Gene Therriault
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear President Therriault:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Senate Resources Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a joint session for consideration

Board of Fisheries: John E. Jensen

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Respectfully,

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Senator Scott Ogan, Chair

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May 6, 2003

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Ogan, Chair
Resources Committee

FROM: Kirsten Waid *KW*
Secretary of the Senate

SUBJECT: Governor's Confirmations

Per corrected letter dated May 5 from the Office of the Governor, Mr. Dersham, whose appointment was submitted to your committee for hearing, recommendation, and report, was reappointed 4/25/2003 rather than the date originally noted. You may wish to correct the information in your files.

Board of Fisheries

Robert (Ed) Dersham - Anchor Point

Appointed: 03/03/1997

Reappointed: 04/25/2003

Reappointed: 03/20/2000

Term Expires: 06/30/2006

KCW:sgf



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May 1, 2003

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Ogan, Chair
Resources Committee

FROM: Kirsten Waid *KW*
Secretary of the Senate

SUBJECT: Governor's Confirmations

Pursuant to AS 39.05.080, President Therriault has referred the following names for legislative confirmation to your committee for hearing, recommendation and report:

Board of Fisheries

Robert (Ed) Dersham - Anchor Point	
Appointed: 03/03/1997	Reappointed: 03/20/2000
Reappointed: 07/01/2003	Term Expires: 06/30/2006
Dr. Floyd F. Bouse - Fairbanks	
Appointed: 07/01/2003	Term Expires: 06/30/2006

KCW:sgf
Resumes attached



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Ogan, Chair
Resources Committee

FROM: Kirsten Waid *KW*
Acting Secretary of the Senate

SUBJECT: Governor's Confirmations

Pursuant to AS 39.05.080, President Therriault has referred the following names for legislative confirmation to your committee for a hearing, recommendation and report:

Board of Fisheries

- Rupert Andrews - Juneau
Appointed: 01/20/2003 Term Expires: 06/30/2005 ✓
- John E. Jensen - Petersburg
Appointed: 01/20/2003 Term Expires: 06/30/2005 ✓
- Melvan Morris - Kodiak
Appointed: 01/20/2003 Term Expires: 06/30/2005
- Art Nelson - Anchorage
Appointed 01/21/2003 Term Expires: 06/30/2004

Board of Game

- Pete Buist - Fairbanks
Appointed: 01/21/2003 Term Expires: 03/01/2005
- Michael R. Fleagle - McGrath
Appointed: 01/21/2003 Term Expires 03/01/2004
- Cliff Judkins - Wasilla
Appointed: 01/21/2003 Reappointed: 03/01/2003
Term Expires: 03/01/2006
- Sharon McLeod-Everette - Fairbanks
Appointed: 03/01/2003 Term Expires: 03/01/2006
- Ron Somerville - Juneau
Appointed: 01/21/2003 Term Expires: 03/01/2005
- Ted Spraker - Soldotna
Appointed: 01/21/2003 Term Expires: 03/01/2005

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Resumes attached

Resume` - 2002
Rupert E. Andrews
9416 Long Run Drive
Juneau AK 99801
(907) 789-7422
randrews@eagle.ptialaska.net

- Education 1956: BA/Science – University of Idaho
 1958: MA/Science – Oregon State University
 Ongoing classes at UASE
- Family Three married sons, six grandchildren.
 Wife of 5 years - Peggie Ward, adding three married step children and
 eight step-grandchildren.
- Employment 1959: Moved to Alaska to work with the new Department of Fish and
 Game as a fisheries biologist.
 1969-1982: ADF&G Director, Division of Sport Fishing.
 1982: Retired from state service
 1984-1991 Alaska Field Representative, National Rifle Association
- Professional 1972-1975: Regional Director, American Institute of Fisheries
and Civic Research Biologists
Honors 1979: Chairman, Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
 Annual meeting, Anchorage Alaska
 1984-1986: President, Alaska Outdoor Council and Alaska Fish and
 Wildlife Conservation Fund
 1988: Chairman, U. S. Bicentennial Committee for Juneau, Alaska
 1993: Member, Alaska Board of Forestry
- Technical 1972: The Use of Native Races and Fish Species in Alaska
Publications Proceedings of the Western Association of State Fish and Game
 Commissioners, pp. 541-547, Portland, Oregon
- 1979: Research Needs in Fisheries Transactions of the 44th North
 American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference, pp. 176-187
- 1980: Wild Trout Symposium II Quality Sport Fishing in Alaskan
 Management – Concepts and Options, Mammoth Hot Spring,
 Yellowstone Park

1982: Conflicts in Harvesting Old-Growth Forests and Fishery Values in Southeastern Alaska. Presented at Symposium on Logging of Old-Growth Forests, American Institute of Fishery Research Biologists, Juneau, Alaska

Civic &
Non-Profits

1990's: Unpaid lobbyist for the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) for five years. As Chief of the AARP Capital City task force I devoted considerable energies to secure health care programs for seniors in Alaska.

1981-1989: Served as a member for eight years on the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustees Public Advisory Committee, the last three as chairman.

1996-1999- Served on two Juneau City/Borough commissions including three years on the Social Services Committee and a special one-year committee to review medical service delivery of BRH and the Juneau medical community

1997-2002: Served on board of directors of both Hospice and Home Care of Juneau and the Hospice and Home Care of Juneau Foundation.

1997-current: Board of directors of Alaska Common Ground, based in Anchorage.

1998-current: Board of directors of League of Women Voters.

2001-current: Board of directors of the Southeast Alaska Cancer & Wellness Foundation.

2002 current- Glacier Valley Rotary Club; American Legion Post 25; Moose Club #700, Juneau, AK.

December 2, 2002

John E. Jensen
P.O. Box 681
Petersburg, Alaska 99833
907-772-4635
omasou@gci.net

RESUME COMMERCIAL FISHING HISTORY

FISHERIES

1965: This was the first year I was a paid commercial fisherman, I crewed during the halibut fishery in the summer.

1966-1967: SE AK—crew for salmon seine.
Gulf of AK—halibut crew.

1968: SE AK—salmon seine as crew.

1969-1971: Gulf of Alaska—halibut and seined salmon in
SE AK—crew for salmon seine.
Bering Sea/Aleutians—red crab crew.

1972: SE AK—salmon gillnet, I purchased my first commercial fishing boat, the FV High Voltage; salmon seining.
Gulf of AK—crew halibut.

1973-1976: SE AK—salmon gillnet.
Gulf of AK—crew for halibut.

1977: SE AK—salmon gillnet.
Gulf of AK—crew for halibut.
Bering Sea/Aleutians—crew for red king crab.

1978-79: SE AK—salmon gillnet.
Gulf of AK—crew for halibut, tanner crab.

1980: SE AK—salmon gillnet.
Gulf of AK—crewed for halibut.

For two months I participated in the building of my boat, FV Summer Breeze in Puyallup, WA.

1981: SE AK—salmon gillnet, halibut, experimental fishery for octopus pot fishing, Dungeness crab, tanner crab and herring gillnet.

1982: SE AK—halibut, tanner /red crab, salmon gillnet, herring gillnet, herring seining as crew.

Bristol Bay—salmon gillnet, herring gillnet.

1983: SE AK—halibut, tanner/red crab, salmon gillnet, herring gillnet, octopus pot fishing.

Bristol Bay—herring gillnet, salmon gillnet

1984: SE AK—halibut, tanner/red crab, Dungeness, salmon gillnet, herring gillnet.

Bristol Bay—salmon gillnet, herring gillnet.

Togiak/Security Cove/Goodnews Bay—herring gillnet, roe on kelp.

1985: SE AK—halibut, tanner, salmon gillnet, herring gillnet.

Bristol Bay—herring seine, salmon gillnet.

Norton Sound—herring gillnet as crew.

1986: SE AK—halibut, tanner crab, Dungeness crab.

Bristol Bay—herring seining/salmon gillnet.

SE AK—skipper for salmon tendering

1987-1989: SE AK—tanner crab, halibut.

1987: Prince William Sound—tendered for herring with a 58' vessel as skipper.

Alaska Peninsula—salmon drift gillnet.

1990-1993 SE AK—tanner crab, halibut, salmon gillnet. I skippered a 96' king crab/tender for salmon tendering.

1991: Dungeness crab.

1992: Blackcod.

1993-1995: SE AK—tanner/red/Dungeness crab, halibut and some salmon gillnetting.

1996-1998: SE Alaska—tanners/red crab, Dungeness crab.

1997-2002: SE Alaska: tanners/ red crab(when there was a season)/brown crab, Dungeness crab.

Gulf of AK/SE: F/V Westerly—crew for halibut/blackcod

2002 SE Alaska: F/V Westerly—Skipper for salmon tendering

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Resume

FISHING VESSELS: Owned and Operated

1972-1979	F/V High Voltage	33' Fiberglass Gillnet/Longline
1980-1991	F/V Summer Breeze	36' Aluminum Gillnet/Crab/Longline
1982-1989	F/V Pamela Rae	32' Aluminum Bristol Bay Gillnet/Seine
1989-1993	F/V Perseverance	46' Fiberglass Seine/Crab

OTHER FISHING VESSELS:

F/V Symphony
F/V Westerly
F/V Johnny L
F/V Chichagof
F/V Viking Queen
F/V Adventure
F/V Tani Rae
F/V Westerly (new)
F/V Coral
F/V Theresa Marie
F/V Logan T
F/V Galatea

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VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP

Petersburg Fishermen's Union
1968-1974
Secretary-Treasurer
1972-1974

Petersburg Advisory Board
1972-1982

Petersburg Vessel Owners Association
2000-2002

United Fishermen of AK
2001-02

Tanner and King Crab Task Force
2000-02

City of Petersburg
Planning and Zoning Commission
1999-2002

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Melvan E. Morris, Jr.
917 Mill Bay Rd.
Kodiak, AK 99615

Personal

Born: Kamiah, Idaho, 1938 Alaska Resident: 45+ years
Married, Two Children Schooling: Kodiak High School, University of Alaska
B.S. Degree Wildlife Management 1962

Employment

Marketing Seafood Sales Consultant, President M&M Marketing	2000-Present Kodiak, Alaska
Vice-President, Operations Cook Inlet Processing	1991-2000 Kodiak, Alaska
General Manager All Alaska Seafoods	1982-1991 Kodiak, Alaska
President Alyeska Seafoods, Inc.	1980-82 Akutan, Alaska
General Manager Transpacific Industries	1978-1980 Seattle, Washington
General Superintendent, Operations Wakefield Seafoods	1974-1980 Seattle, Washington
Directory, Quality Control, Research & Development Assistant General Superintendent Wakefield Seafoods	1968-74 Port Lions, Alaska
Assistant Area Biologist, Westward Region Alaska Department of Fish & Game	1965-68 Kodiak, Alaska
1 st Lieutenant U.S. Army	1963-65
Assistant Area Biologist, Yukon/Kuskokwim Alaska Department of Fish & Game	1961-1963 Anchorage, Alaska
Assistant Biologist Alaska Department of Fish & Game	1960-61 Anchorage, Alaska
Assistant Biologist, Territory of Alaska	1957-58 Kodiak, Alaska

Public Service

President Pioneers of Alaska, Igloo 18	2002 Kodiak, Alaska
Committee Member Future of Groundfish Committee, NPFMC	1989
President Kodiak Reduction, Inc.	1987-1990 Kodiak, Alaska
Technical Committee Member National Fisheries Institute	1974-78
President Pacific Fisheries Technologists	1974-75
Committee Member Alaska King Crab Quality Control Board	1974

Education

Bachelor of Science University of Alaska	1962 Fairbanks, Alaska
Diploma Kodiak Naval Station High School	1956 Kodiak, Alaska

References

Alvin Burch, Executive Director
Alaska Dragers Association
907-486-3910

Tim Blott, President
Kodiak Processors Association
907-486-5791

John Garner, President
North Pacific Crab Association
206-789-8522

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2132 Clark Street
Anchorage, AK 99504
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Work experience

- At-sea Processors Association** October 1999 to present
Anchorage, Alaska
Employment/Development Coordinator. Managing an ongoing program to recruit and place Alaskans on catcher/processor vessels operated by member companies. Analyze catch and employment statistics. Represent the interests of member companies and their CDQ investors before the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council and the Alaska Board of Fisheries.
- Bering Sea Fishermen's Association** March 1996 to October 1999
Anchorage, Alaska
Fisheries Specialist. Coordinated and assisted with field projects monitoring and restoring chum salmon runs in Kotzebue and Norton Sounds and the Yukon and Kuskokwim Rivers. Principal Investigator to project examining alternative commercial fishery resources in the Kotzebue Sound region. Represented Western Alaska's small-boat fisheries interests at policy meetings such as the Alaska Board of Fisheries and the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council.
- Kawerak, Incorporated** March 1994 to March 1996
Nome, Alaska
Fisheries Specialist. Planned and directly implemented field projects monitoring and restoring chum salmon runs to the Norton Sound/Bering Strait region. Represented Native subsistence and commercial fishing interests of at policy meetings such as the Alaska Board of Fisheries and the north Pacific Fisheries Management Council.
- F/V Gunvor** May-August 1993
Elfin Cove, Alaska
Crewmember. Salmon trolling and halibut longlining in Southeast Alaska.
- Alaska Department of Fish and Game** May-July 1990
Cordova, Alaska

Technician I. Worked at remote project site, tagging Dolly Varden and Cutthroat Trout.

Veco, Incorporated

June-August 1989

Prince William Sound, Alaska

Oil Recovery Technician. Worked on Exxon Valdez oil spill cleanup efforts, including beach washing, skimmer barge operator and water pump operator.

F/V Orca and F/V Lady Dianne

May-August (many years)

Cordova, Alaska

Crewmember. Grew up working summers on family owned commercial fishing boats in Prince William Sound and on the Copper River flats.

E d u c a t i o n

Dimond High School, Graduated 1987

University of Alaska, Fairbanks

Fairbanks, Alaska

Senior status, 4 credits remaining towards B.S. Biology degree

I n v o l v e m e n t i n F i s h e r i e s I s s u e s

Seafood Industry Human Resources Consortium, *Co-chair*

January 2001-present

Seafood Advisory Committee, *Advisor At-Large*

November 2000-present

United Fishermen of Alaska, *Alternate Board Member*

October 2000-present

Nome Chum Salmon Working Group, *Facilitator*

December – March 1999

Northern Norton Sound Fish and Game Advisory Committee, *Secretary*

July 1995 – March 1996

— Board of Fisheries —

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outlook@ptialaska.net

Robert E. Dersham

Education 1970 University of Oregon Eugene, Oregon
Degree: BBA - Bachelor of Business Administration

Professional experience 1971 - 1985 U.S. Department of Justice
Drug Enforcement Administration San Diego CA & Anchorage AK
Special Agent - Criminal Investigator

1985 - Present Dersham's Outlook Lodge Anchor Point, AK
Lodge Owner

1989- Present U.S. Coast Guard Licensed
Charter Boat Captain Anchor Point, AK

1997-2001 Alaska Board of Fisheries
Board Member State of Alaska
Attended all Board of Fisheries meetings since appointment
Chaired numerous sub-committees of the Board of Fish

1999- Present North Pacific Management Council-Board of Fish
Chairman Joint Protocol Committee State of Alaska
Responsible for liaison between Alaska Board of Fisheries and NPFMC in matters of cross jurisdiction, mutual management of fisheries occurring in adjacent Federal and State waters and issues of fisheries regulated by the Board of Fish through delegation of authority from the NPFMC

2001 - Present Alaska Board of Fisheries
Board Chairman
Responsible for chairing all Board of Fish meetings
Representing the Board of fish in all matters between regulatory meetings
Liaison with the Alaska Dept. of Fish & Game
Liaison with the Alaska State Legislature

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Board of Fisheries

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPLICATION/RESUME FORM

INSTRUCTIONS

A separate application is required for each position for which you apply. Complete and specific answers will aid in rapid and accurate processing of your resumé. Please type or print legibly in ink. Forward to the above address. Be sure your answers are true. A willfully false answer may result in your disqualification or removal from office if you are appointed.

Board or Commission for which I am applying: Fisheries

Please list any other State Boards or Commissions on which you currently or previously have served:

NONE

Name: Floyd Frederick Bouse

Mailing Address: 4020 Dunlap Ave, Fairbanks, 99709

Residence Address: Same

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Home Telephone: 907 479 2122 Business or Message Telephone: 479 2208 cell 590 7622

Fax Number: 907 474 8488 Cell Phone: 907 590 7622

Email address: Fiddle@GCI.NET

AS 39.05.100 requires that a person appointed to a state board or commission be a registered voter prior to the last general election:

Are you a registered voter? YES NO

Voter Registration Number (Optional): _____ Social Security Number (Optional): 494545606

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past five years or a felony within the past ten years?

YES _____ NO If "YES", explain the circumstances on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to this application. A conviction is not necessarily grounds for disqualification. The number of convictions, nature, recentness, and relationship to the board position applied for will be evaluated and a determination will be made after a review of all relevant facts.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: Certain boards and commissions require full disclosure of personal financial data under AS 39.50.010. If required for the board or commission for which you are applying, are you willing to do so?

YES NO

Could you or any member of your family be affected financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you have applied? YES _____ NO

If "YES", explain:

TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: (If resumé attached, it is not necessary to complete items A-D)

A. List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria:

Alaska dental License, Midwest Regional Board Certificate in Dentistry, Alaska Dental Board.

B. List both formal and informal education and training experiences: (Use additional paper if necessary)

highschool, College - Southwest Mo. State University - Bachelor of Science in Biology, Chemistry Minor University of Mo. School of Dentistry graduated June '73 - military at Ft. Wainwright - then private practice in Fairbanks since Nov. '76

C. List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received. Include both compensated and uncompensated positions (such as president of a service organization or a mayor). Include length of time served.

no local or state positions except: participated in state funded remote village dental service projects at Creech City, Alakaket and Chal Kytzyik (sp?) in late '70's

D. Employment work history - paid, unpaid or voluntary: (Use additional paper if necessary)

As youngster, worked with my Dad in construction. I am a journeyman mason - bricklayer, framed cattle, high Iron bridge construction labor - but since graduating from dental school have had my own private practice business (after finishing military service)

The Office of the Governor and the State of Alaska have an Affirmative Action Equal Employment Opportunity Program. To assist in the program, you are asked to voluntarily answer the following questions to provide the information necessary for reporting purposes. Under State and Federal law, the information you provide will not be used to illegally discriminate against you.

DATE OF BIRTH: 6 May '46

SEX: Male Female

(Tennessee Cherokee) - Caucasian blend

ETHNICITY: Alaska Native American Indian Asian or Pacific Islander Black Hispanic White

MILITARY SERVICE (if applicable, give dates): College ROTC - Active Service August 1973 thru Nov. 1976 at Fort Wainwright, AK

CERTIFICATION: I swear the information I have entered on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I deliberately conceal or enter false information on the form my application may be rejected, I may be removed from the list of eligible candidates, or I may be removed from the position. I agree that the Office of the Governor may contact present or former employees or other persons who know me to obtain additional information about my skills and abilities. I understand that the information on this application is public information and may be released through a legal request for such information.

Signature (in ink): Ralph J. Sorensen Date: 23 April '03

Dear Fellow Alaskans,

Due to recent events and my nomination and appointment to the Alaska State Board of Fisheries, I have received questioning and even some criticism as to my experience, qualifications and intent in regard that office. For example, "...But you've never worked in the commercial fishing industry. What makes you think that you have what it takes to understand their needs?" Commercial fishing is honorable, hard, and dangerous work. It provides food resources for the entire world that would otherwise be unattainable. We should admire, respect, and support all the families involved in the work of commercial fishing.

My training background is in health sciences, including a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry with a major in biology. I am routinely required to analyze complex data, and then draw meaningful and appropriate conclusions. Fisheries matters require constant attention to science-based details so that we can detect variations, trends, and needs of our natural resource environment. My intent is to be certain of the accuracy and veracity of information provided for the Board. Then, with the consultation and consensus of the other board members, we shall make regulatory decisions that benefit our need for a stable and healthy renewable fishery resource. Any criticism of having never been involved in commercial fishing will be misplaced and premature. I would describe such criticism as negative and abstractionist thinking. For example: Few of us have worked on an oil drilling platform, yet we all can have creative and meaningful involvement in conserving our energy resources, managing good stewardship of the oil produced, and protect our environment in the process. Every citizen is a participant in such matters.

Another question asked of me was, "...but weren't you recently a sport fishing guide?" The answer is, "Yes, my family operated a sport fishing charter business on the Gulkana River from 1988 through 1998."

However, this question implies that a person's having been engaged in an outdoor tourism industry business is a bad thing. In the same way, the question implies that I may bring an entrenched, selfish and narrow point of view to the Board of Fisheries. It is a reasonable question, given that in past Board actions, we have seen examples of counter-productive tunnel vision on all sides of historically divisive issues.

Governor Murkowski has requested of me, and indeed the entire group of fishery board members, to use our training, experiences and personal skills to represent every citizen of Alaska. We must protect the needs of the high seas, in-river and up-river users. It is my pledge to the Governor and to all the people of Alaska to do so.

Let us dedicate that we are going to hold the positive attitude. This group of well-meaning citizens is going to have to think "outside the box." We are going to have to entertain and enable creative ways to enhance and support the commercial fishing industry. For example, "value-added" processing of our fish resources can increase the income of our commercial fishing families and in the process add much-

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needed jobs to our remote communities. We must find even more good ideas. We must recognize that status quo is no longer possible. We have to find ways to compete with the farmed fish industry - and WIN!

And now, once again let us consider that status quo is no longer an option. The size of our Alaskan family is growing and each of us is endowed his rightful access to our fisheries' natural resources. All the needs of "upstream" users must be met and assured.

This is a brief view of what I envision as the task before us. With our fond memories of our heritage and the best information at hand today, we shall be moving forward to a tomorrow that fulfills the dreams and aspirations of each and every Alaskan. My personal goal is to see that no Alaskan fisherman, fisherwoman or child is left behind.

Always My Very Best,

Dr. Fred Bouse



Public Opinion Message

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This form must be completely filled out. You may phone, fax, or deliver your POM to any LIO.

From: Please **PRINT** the information below. This form must be signed by the sender.

Mr./Ms./Mrs. Mr.	First Name John	P	Last Name Peckham	Jr./Sr./III
Group affiliation (if applicable)				Daytime telephone number 225-6047
Mailing address P.O. Box 8394 Ketchikan Alaska				Zip code 99901-3394
Residence (street) address if different from mailing address 3678 S. Tongass Ketchikan Alaska				Zip code 99901
Email address Peckham@ptialaska.net			Signature John Peckham	Date 2/11/03

To: Put a ✓ in the appropriate box(es).

Committees		House members		Senate members	
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I	strongly	support	the	appointment	5
of	John	Tensen	MEL	Morris	10
and	Art	Nelson	as	Board	15
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In Support

Representative Mike Chenault
Co-chair House Resources Committee
State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Representative Chenault,

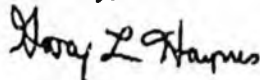
I am writing this letter in support of the new Board of Fish members; Mel Morris, John Jenson, and Art Nelson.

My name is Gary Haynes and I reside in Ketchikan, Alaska. I am a third generation Alaskan fisherman. I purse seine salmon, longline halibut, purse seine s.e. sac roe, gillnet s.e. sac roe, And fish northern and southern s.e. roe on kelp.

I appreciate the knowledge, expertise, and diversity the new board members bring to the table. Please support them in the confirmation hearings.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Gary L. Haynes
625 Sunset Dr.
Ketchikan, Alaska 99901
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Celebrating 65 Years of Service to Commercial Fishermen in Cordova, Alaska

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February 11, 2003

Representative Mike Chenault
House Resources Committee
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

SENT VIA FACSIMILE TO 907.465.2833

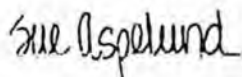
Dear Members,

It is with great pleasure that we wholly recommend to you Mr. Art Neison, Mr. John Jensen, and Mr. Melvan Morris for confirmation to the Alaska Board of Fisheries. We recently had the opportunity to host the Copper River/Prince William Sound Board of Fisheries meeting here in Cordova and were most pleased with the diligence with which each applied himself to the issues before him.

Management of Alaska's commercial fisheries is biologically and regulatorily complex. A basic understanding of the nuts and bolts of fisheries management of Alaska's largest private sector employer is useful background to a functional Board of Fisheries member. While Mr. Nelson, Mr. Jensen, and Mr. Morris each utilize Alaska's fisheries resources in a variety of ways, each has a keen appreciation for the subtleties of fisheries management, understands the absolute importance of using the best scientific and other information available, and always erring on the side of conservation. We watched these Board members consistently apply the laws of the State, the regulations governing them, and we saw them question the public and the scientists as they strived to learn all that they could that would aid them in responsible decision-making. All were even-handed in their deliberations and strived to provide harvest opportunities for all users where harvestable surpluses existed.

Alaskans and their fisheries resources will be served well by these Board of Fisheries appointees. We urge your support for confirmation of Art Nelson, John Jensen, and Mel Morris.

Respectfully,



Sue Aspelund
Executive Director

OCEAN BEAUTY
SEAFOODS, INC.

February 10, 2003

Representative Mike Chenault
Co-Chair, House Resources Committee
State Capital
Juneau, AK. 99801-1182

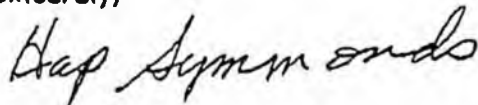
Dear Representative Chenault:

We would like to offer our full support of Governor Murkowski's appointments to the Board of Fisheries. We feel that Mel Morris, Art Nelson and John Jensen all fairly represent the varied interests in fisheries within the State of Alaska.

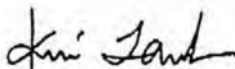
During deliberations, in Cordova this past week, all exhibited impartial considerations with sport, commercial and subsistence issues. They were able to separate fact from fiction and emotion, and render decisions based solely on the facts.

Their appointments will make it a well-rounded Board for the State of Alaska.

Sincerely,



Hap Symmonds,
Plant Manager



Kim Lamborn,
Assistant Plant Manager



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February 10, 2003

Representative Mike Chenault
Co-Chair, House Resources Committee
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Mr. Chenault;

The United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters Association supports the confirmation of Mr. Mel Morris, Mr. John Jensen and Mr. Art Nelson for the Board of Fish. We believe they are well qualified to carry out the duties of the Board and will do an excellent job in this capacity. The background and experience of each of the candidate's makes them well qualified for a position on the Board. We request that your committee support their confirmation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kenneth Duckett".

Kenneth Duckett
Executive Director

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Representative Mike Chenault By Fax (907) 465-2833
Co-Chair, House Resource Committee
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Re: Board of Fish Confirmations

Dear Representative Chenault:

The Alaska Seine Boat Owners represents over 400 vessel owners operating in every herring and salmon seine fishery in Southeast, Prince William Sound, Kodiak and Western Alaska.

We strongly urge the prompt confirmation of **John Jensen, Art Nelson and Mel Morris** to the Alaska Board of Fisheries. Each has a strong background in fishery resource issues and a commitment to balanced management.

Thank you again for your support of these extremely qualified nominees.

Sincerely,



Rob Zuanich
Executive Director

cc: ASBO Board of Directors

Arne Fuglvog
P.O. Box 71
Petersburg, Alaska 99833

Representative Mike Chenault
Co-Chair, House Resources Committee
State Capital
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
Fax 907-465-2833

Dear Representative Chenault,

My name is Arne Fuglvog and I am the president of the Petersburg Vessel Owners. I am a commercial fisherman who fishes all over the state of Alaska and has for the past 25 years. I am also very actively involved in the Board of Fisheries process.

I am writing you to respectfully request your support in the confirmation of John Jensen, Art Nelson and Mel Morris. I have personally worked with all three of these men and found them to be the kind of quality individuals we need on the Alaska Board of Fisheries. All have the experience and commitment to make the board process succeed. I believe that all three are excellent representatives for the state and will work hard with the agencies, administration, legislature and public.

Sincerely, Arne Fuglvog



Chignik Seiners Association

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February 11, 2003

Representative Mike Chenault
Co-Chair, House Resources Committee
State Capitol Juncau, AK 99801-1182
Fax (907) 465-2833

Subject: Board of Fisheries Confirmation hearings

Chignik Seiner's Association supports the following to be confirmed in their seats on the Alaska State Board of Fisheries:

- 1) John E. Jensen,
 - 2) Art Nelson,
 - 3) Mel Morris,
- and
- 4) Rupa Andrews.

We believe that these men have the experience, character, and ability to take the broad and objective look at the fishery issues that will come before them. This is important since each fishery has its own unique problems and potential solutions and a good Board of Fisheries member will appreciate and honor those differences.

Sincerely,



Charles McCallum
Executive Director, CSA

Mr. Curtis J Herschleb
301 PO Box 1622
Cordova AK, 99574

SUBJECT: BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

MESSAGE: I support confirmation of Art Nelson Mel Morris and John Jensen. All three are committed to this public process are dedicated and conscientious and involved in utilization of Alaska's fisheries resources. These characteristics stand them in good stead to hear and make decisions about Alaska's fisheries.

Robert R Eckley
Po Box 1274
Cordova AK, 99574-1274

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Carl E Burton II
3410 N Shore Dr
Anchorage AK, 99515

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Kimberly A Lamborn
Po Box 2234
Cordova AK, 99574-2234

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Elmer J Cheshier
Po Box 2264
Cordova AK, 99574-2264

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Louis B Beaudry
Po Box 2225
Cordova AK, 99574-2225

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Jack M Babic Jr

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Cordova AK, 99574-1208

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Wendell L Jones

Po Box 942

Cordova AK, 99574-0942

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John K Renner

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Katherine G Halgren

Po Box 784

Cordova AK, 99574-0784

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Michael B Lambert

Po Box 2693

Cordova AK, 99574-2693

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Per B Nolan

Po Box 924

Cordova AK, 99574-0924

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Susan J Laird

Po Box 1624

Cordova AK, 99574-1624

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Kathleen Boehm

Po Box 1238

Cordova AK, 99574-1238

SUBJECT: BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

MESSAGE: I am supporting the confirmation of Art Nelson John Jensen and Mel Morris to the board of fisheries. They are good representatives and have proven their commitment to the public process that we all rely on so heavily

Stephen C Riedel

Po Box 1005

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Cordova AK, 99574-1005

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Victor E Jones

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Cordova AK, 99574-1831

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John P Wiese

Po Box 1031

Cordova AK, 99574-1031

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Michael E Glasen

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Harold A Symmonds
Po Box 2646
Cordova AK, 99574-2646

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Andrew K Craig
Po Box 2465
Cordova AK, 99574-2465

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David B Clemens
1311 W 79th Ave
Anchorage AK, 99518

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James B Kallander
Po Box 2272
Cordova AK, 99574-2272

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David J Reggiani Jr
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Cordova AK, 99574-1098

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Philip E Lian
Po Box 106
Cordova AK, 99574-0106

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Mark G Kotter
707 Rockside Rd
Wasilla AK, 99654-3129

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John W Bocci
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Cordova AK, 99574-1312

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UNITED FISHERMEN OF ALASKA

February 26, 2003

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Senator Scott Ogan
Chair
Senate Resources Committee
State Capitol (MS 3100)
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

FEB 26 2003

RE: Board of Fisheries Recommendations

Dear Senator Ogan,

United Fishermen of Alaska recommends that you confirm the following to the Board of Fisheries

- John E. Jensen
- Arthur N. Nelson
- Melvan Morris
- Rupert Andrews

All of these individuals are well qualified to serve on the Board of Fisheries. They bring both practical experience in fisheries and solid decision making skills. Their service on the board to date has garnered highly favorable comments from the public and fishermen around the state.

We again thank you for the opportunity to provide input on this matter, which is of utmost importance to UFA and its 34 member groups. Please do not hesitate to call if you require further information or clarification.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Gemmell
Executive Director

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Alaska Crab Coalition • Alaska Dragger Association • Alaska Longline Fisherman's Association • Alaska Trollers Association • At-sea Processors Association • Bristol Bay Reserve
Chignik Regional Aquaculture Association • Chignik Selnors Association • Concerned Area "M" Fishermen • Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association • Cordova District Fisherman United
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United Cook Inlet Drift Association • United Salmon Association • United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters • Western Gull of Alaska Fishermen

Submitted
by Sal
Wagner
from one of
his
constituents

Dear Legislators,

I recently participated on the public panel on committee F- Early-run Kaslof and Kenai River Chinook salmon conservation plan. I reviewed the committee recommendations and statements made public on Monday evening, sent by fax to my home. I was informed that any RC's had to be in by 8:00 AM Tuesday; prior information given by Sherry Wright stated committee recommendation (committee report) would in all likelihood be available not until the following Wed. at best.

Issue 1: The issue is time available to respond to the committee report which had a major error in the data and percentages which were applied to the 5-ocean female protection regarding slot limits on the Kenai River early-run chinook fishery. I in fact sent the following statement to the Board of Fisheries on March 25th approx. 10:30 am after speaking with local sport fish staff on the issue and they agreed that the information stated was incorrect and would contact Tim McKinley (ADF&G sport fish div. staff representing 5-ocean issues before the committee and Board) to inform the department at the board meeting in Anchorage. I did not know at the time the Board was voting on the issue Tuesday afternoon.

I wrote the following letter to the Board of Fisheries:

Dear Board Members,

In review of comments stated in committee F report the following information needs to be addressed:

- Under the Kenai River slot limit / size limits the committee report states " a 42 inch lower length limit would protect more 5-ocean females (94%) than a 45 inch slot limit (90%), etc...This is wrong - please refer to RC29 (submitted by the department Sport Fish Division) page 50 and page 58 which states a 42 inch length represents 82% protection of 5 ocean females and 45 inch length represents 46.5% protection.

It is important to note that a 44 inch length represents protection of only 60% of age 5 - ocean females. Compare this data against page 50 and the percentage listed by the department of 87% protection of females in the 42 inch slot limit and 52% represented in the 45 inch slot limit. The table on Page 50 presented and submitted by the department to the committee is not correct and should be clarified to the Board and in RC written material by the department.

Issue 2: Note: The department staff wrote the report with review by the board committee members Art Nelson, Larry Engel, and Rupe Andrews. In addition there were 12 sport fish division staff in committee F and available to the Board at the meeting. I find the justification (percentages applied) on protection of 5-ocean slot limit was not only not correct but 12 staff were available and the department allowed this to be written and presented to the full board and public under a committee report. I found the process, dissemination of information, and review by the department was dysfunctional. Fair and complete biological information was disregarded by the department to the committee and the board. This is totally unacceptable and I would like your offices to look into this matter. The pretext of protection and percentages on females applied by the department is at best 60% of the 5 ocean females and when applied to the total numbers representing the actual escapement in recent years (1997 - 2001) of approx. less than 48 females on average. Please ask the department to provide actual escapement numbers within recent years on 1.5 female sub stock and ask the Director to justify not correctly applying the percentages to the public and the board in RC 29 and the committee report.

**CONFIRM:
BOARD
OF
FISHERIES,
4/16/03**

Alaska State Legislature

Senate Resources Committee

Senator Scott Ogan, Chair

Senator Fred Dyson
Senator Kim Elton
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REPORT ON CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS

April 16, 2004

The Honorable Gene Therriault
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182


Dear President Therriault:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Senate Resources Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration


Board of Fisheries – Art N. Nelson

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the individual(s) during any further sessions.

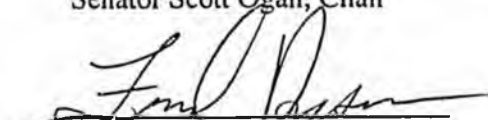
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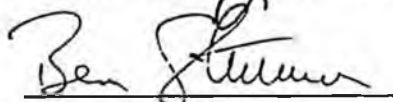
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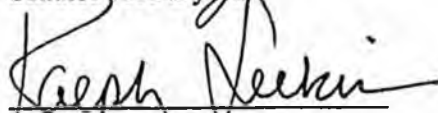
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Dear President Therriault:

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Board of Fisheries – Robert Heyano

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the individual(s) during any further sessions.

Respectfully,

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Senator Scott Ogan, Chair

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Senator Tom Wagoner, Vice Chair

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Senator Ben Stevens

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Senator Ralph Seekins

Senator Georgianna Lincoln

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April 2, 2004

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Ogan, Chair
Resources Committee

FROM: Kirsten Waid *KW*
Secretary of the Senate

SUBJECT: Governor's Confirmations

Pursuant to AS 39.05.080, President Therriault has referred the following names for legislative confirmation to your committee for a hearing, recommendation and report:

Board of Fisheries

Robert Heyano - Dillingham

Appointed: 07/01/2004 Term Expires: 06/30/2007

Art N. Nelson - Anchorage

Reappointed: 03/25/2004 Term Expires: 06/30/2007

KCW:lc
Resumes attached

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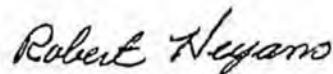
Governor Frank Murkowski
Office of the Governor
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Dear Governor Murkowski;

I would like your consideration to be appointed to the Alaska Board of Fisheries. I believe, if appointed to serve, I can offer a positive contribution to the Board of Fisheries. I would like to submit the following information as to my qualifications for consideration for this appointment.

- 1) Currently serving member of the Nushagak Advisory Committee for approximately 20 years.
- 2) Past elected chairman of the Nushagak Advisory Committee for approximately 10 years.
- 3) Currently serving member on the Federal Subsistence Bristol Bay Rural Advisory Council since its creation.
- 4) Currently and active owner/operator of a Bristol Bay salmon drift gill net operation for 31 years.
- 5) Currently and active participant in the Togiak herring seine fishery for 24 years.
- 6) Owner/operator of a small sport fish camp on the Nushagak River for 7 years.
- 7) Active subsistence user
- 8) Public participant in the Board of Fisheries process for approximately 24 years.
- 9) Served as a committee member in development of the Southwest Alaska Rainbow Trout Management Plan.
- 10) Served as a committee member in the development of the Nushagak/Mulchatna Chinook Management Plan.
- 11) Served as a committee member in the development of the Nushagak/Mulchatna Coho Management Plan.
- 12) Served as a committee member in the development of the Wood River Special Harvest area.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



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Work experience

At-sea Processors Association October 1999 to present
Anchorage, Alaska

Employment/Development Coordinator. Managing an ongoing program to recruit and place Alaskans on catcher/processor vessels operated by member companies. Analyze catch and employment statistics. Represent the interests of member companies and their CDQ investors before the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council and the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

Bering Sea Fishermen's Association March 1996 to October 1999
Anchorage, Alaska

Fisheries Specialist. Coordinated and assisted with field projects monitoring and restoring chum salmon runs in Kotzebue and Norton Sounds and the Yukon and Kuskokwim Rivers. Principal Investigator to project examining alternative commercial fishery resources in the Kotzebue Sound region. Represented Western Alaska's small-boat fisheries interests at policy meetings such as the Alaska Board of Fisheries and the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council.

Kawerak, Incorporated March 1994 to March 1996
Nome, Alaska

Fisheries Specialist. Planned and directly implemented field projects monitoring and restoring chum salmon runs to the Norton Sound/Bering Strait region. Represented Native subsistence and commercial fishing interests of at policy meetings such as the Alaska Board of Fisheries and the north Pacific Fisheries Management Council.

F/V Gunvor May-August 1993
Elfin Cove, Alaska

Crewmember. Salmon trolling and halibut longlining in Southeast Alaska.

Alaska Department of Fish and Game May-July 1990
Cordova, Alaska

Technician I. Worked at remote project site, tagging Dolly Varden and Cutthroat Trout.

Veco, Incorporated

June-August 1989

Prince William Sound, Alaska

Oil Recovery Technician. Worked on Exxon Valdez oil spill cleanup efforts, including beach washing, skimmer barge operator and water pump operator.

F/V Orca and F/V Lady Dianne

May-August (many years)

Cordova, Alaska

Crewmember. Grew up working summers on family owned commercial fishing boats in Prince William Sound and on the Copper River flats.

E d u c a t i o n

Dimond High School, Graduated

University of Alaska, Fairbanks

Fairbanks, Alaska

Senior status, 4 credits remaining towards B.S. Biology degree

I n v o l v e m e n t i n F i s h e r i e s I s s u e s

Seafood Industry Human Resources Consortium, *Co-chair*

January 2001-present

Seafood Advisory Committee, *Advisor At-Large*

November 2000-present

United Fishermen of Alaska, *Alternate Board Member*

October 2000-present

Nome Chum Salmon Working Group, *Facilitator*

December - March 1999

Northern Norton Sound Fish and Game Advisory Committee, *Secretary*

July 1995 - March 1996

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Welcome to the Board of Fisheries!

The Alaska Board of Fisheries consists of seven members serving three-year terms. Members are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the legislature. Members are appointed on the basis of interest in public affairs, good judgment, knowledge, and ability in the field of action of the board, with a view to providing diversity of interest and points of view in the membership (see Alaska Statute 16.05.221).

The Board of Fisheries' main role is to conserve and develop the fishery resources of the state. This involves setting seasons, bag limits, methods and means for the state's subsistence, commercial, sport, guided sport, and personal use fisheries, and it also involves setting policy and direction for the management of the state's fishery resources. The board is charged with making allocative decisions, and the department is responsible for management based on those decisions.

The Board of Fisheries meets four to six times per year in communities around the state to consider proposed changes to fisheries regulations around the state. The board uses the biological and socioeconomic information provided by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, public comment received from people inside and outside of the state, and guidance from the Alaska Department of Public Safety and Alaska Department of Law when creating regulations that are sound and enforceable.

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Members of the public in Ketchikan

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PWS Workgroup to meet on proposals

Board schedules special meeting on PWS

Board creates Gene District in Bristol Bay

Board makes finding GOA Groundfish

Recommendations on Sustainable Salmon (SSFP) Available for Review

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GOA Groundfish meeting in February

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All You Can Eat, Volume 2 now online

Summary of January 2004 GOA Groundfish meeting available

Summary of December



Sec. 16.05.221. Boards of fisheries and game.

(a) For purposes of the conservation and development of the fishery resources of the state, there is created the Board of Fisheries composed of seven members appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature in joint session. The governor shall appoint each member on the basis of interest in public affairs, good judgment, knowledge, and ability in the field of action of the board, and with a view to providing diversity of interest and points of view in the membership. The appointed members shall be residents of the state and shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation or geographical location of residence. The commissioner is not a member of the Board of Fisheries, but shall be ex officio secretary.

(b) For purposes of the conservation and development of the game resources of the state, there is created a Board of Game composed of seven members appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature in joint session. The governor shall appoint each member on the basis of interest in public affairs, good judgment, knowledge, and ability in the field of action of the board, and with a view to providing diversity of interest and points of view in the membership. The appointed members shall be residents of the state and shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation or geographical location of residence. The commissioner is not a member of the Board of Game, but shall be ex officio secretary.

(c) Members of the Board of Game serve staggered terms of three years and, except as provided in AS 39.05.080 (4), each member serves until a successor is appointed. An appointment to fill a vacancy in the membership of the Board of Game shall be made in the same manner as the original appointment and, except as provided in AS 39.05.080 (4), an appointment to fill a vacancy is for the balance of the unexpired term.

(d) Members of the Board of Fisheries serve staggered terms of three years. The terms of members of the board begin on July 1. Notwithstanding AS 39.05.080 (1), by April 1 of the calendar year in which the term expires, the governor shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy that will arise on the board due to expiration of the term of a member of the board and submit the name of the person to the legislature for confirmation. If a vacancy arises on the board, the governor shall, within 30 days after the vacancy arises, appoint a person to serve the balance of the unexpired term and submit the name of the person to the legislature for confirmation. A person appointed to fill the balance of an unexpired term shall serve on the board from the date of appointment until the earlier of the expiration of the term or the failure of the legislature to confirm the person under AS 39.05.080.

Sec. 16.05.230. Term of office. [Repealed, Sec. 40 ch 206 SLA 1975].

Repealed or Renumbered

Sec. 16.05.240. Powers excluded [Repealed, Sec. 40 ch 206 SLA 1975].

Repealed or Renumbered

Sec. 16.05.241. Powers excluded.

The boards have regulation-making powers as set out in this chapter, but do not have administrative,

budgeting, or fiscal powers.

Sec. 16.05.250. Regulations. [Repealed, Sec. 40 ch 206 SLA 1975].

Repealed or Renumbered

Sec. 16.05.251. Regulations of the Board of Fisheries.

(a) The Board of Fisheries may adopt regulations it considers advisable in accordance with AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act) for

(1) setting apart fish reserve areas, refuges, and sanctuaries in the waters of the state over which it has jurisdiction, subject to the approval of the legislature;

(2) establishing open and closed seasons and areas for the taking of fish; if consistent with resource conservation and development goals, the board may adopt regulations establishing restricted seasons and areas necessary for persons 60 years of age and older to participate in sport, personal use, or subsistence fishing;

(3) setting quotas, bag limits, harvest levels, and sex and size limitations on the taking of fish;

(4) establishing the means and methods employed in the pursuit, capture, and transport of fish;

(5) establishing marking and identification requirements for means used in pursuit, capture, and transport of fish;

(6) classifying as commercial fish, sport fish, guided sport fish, personal use fish, subsistence fish, or predators or other categories essential for regulatory purposes;

(7) watershed and habitat improvement, and management, conservation, protection, use, disposal, propagation, and stocking of fish;

(8) investigating and determining the extent and effect of disease, predation, and competition among fish in the state, exercising control measures considered necessary to the resources of the state;

(9) prohibiting and regulating the live capture, possession, transport, or release of native or exotic fish or their eggs;

(10) establishing seasons, areas, quotas, and methods of harvest for aquatic plants;

(11) establishing the times and dates during which the issuance of fishing licenses, permits, and registrations and the transfer of permits and registrations between registration areas is allowed; however, this paragraph does not apply to permits issued or transferred under AS 16.43;

(12) regulating commercial, sport, guided sport, subsistence, and personal use fishing as needed for the conservation, development, and utilization of fisheries;

(13) requiring, in a fishery, observers on board fishing vessels, as defined in AS 16.05.475 (d), that are registered under the laws of the state, as defined in AS 16.05.475 (c), after making a written determination

that an on-board observer program

(A) is the only practical data-gathering or enforcement mechanism for that fishery;

(B) will not unduly disrupt the fishery;

(C) can be conducted at a reasonable cost; and

(D) can be coordinated with observer programs of other agencies, including the National Marine Fisheries Service, North Pacific Fishery Management Council, and the International Pacific Halibut Commission;

(14) establishing nonexclusive, exclusive, and superexclusive registration and use areas for regulating commercial fishing;

(15) regulating resident or nonresident sport fishermen as needed for the conservation, development, and utilization of fishery resources;

(16) requiring unlicensed fishing vessels present in or transiting the waters of the state to report to the department the quantity, species, and origin of fish on board; in this paragraph, "unlicensed fishing vessel" means a fishing vessel that is not licensed under AS 16.05.490 - 16.05.530.

(b) *[Repealed, Sec. 12 ch 52 SLA 1986].*

(c) If the Board of Fisheries denies a petition or proposal to amend, adopt, or repeal a regulation, the board, upon receiving a written request from the sponsor of the petition or proposal, shall in addition to the requirements of AS 44.62.230 provide a written explanation for the denial to the sponsor not later than 30 days after the board has officially met and denied the sponsor's petition or proposal, or 30 days after receiving the request for an explanation, whichever is later.

(d) Regulations adopted under (a) of this section must, consistent with sustained yield and the provisions of AS 16.05.258, provide a fair and reasonable opportunity for the taking of fishery resources by personal use, sport, and commercial fishermen.

(e) The Board of Fisheries may allocate fishery resources among personal use, sport, guided sport, and commercial fisheries. The board shall adopt criteria for the allocation of fishery resources and shall use the criteria as appropriate to particular allocation decisions. The criteria may include factors such as

(1) the history of each personal use, sport, guided sport, and commercial fishery;

(2) the number of residents and nonresidents who have participated in each fishery in the past and the number of residents and nonresidents who can reasonably be expected to participate in the future;

(3) the importance of each fishery for providing residents the opportunity to obtain fish for personal and family consumption;

(4) the availability of alternative fisheries resources;

(5) the importance of each fishery to the economy of the state;

(7) the importance of each fishery in providing recreational opportunities for residents and nonresidents.

(f) Except as expressly provided in AS 16.40.120 (e) and 16.40.130, the Board of Fisheries may not adopt regulations or take action regarding the issuance, denial, or conditioning of a permit under AS 16.40.100 or 16.40.120, the construction or operation of a farm or hatchery required to have a permit under AS 16.40.100, or a harvest with a permit issued under AS 16.40.120.

(g) The Board of Fisheries shall consider a request of the commissioner for approval of a petition to the Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission to establish a moratorium on new entrants into a commercial fishery under AS 16.43.225 at the board's next regular or special meeting that follows the receipt by the board of the request for approval of the petition and that allows time for the notice required under this subsection. The board may consider the request of the commissioner for approval of the petition only after 15 days' public notice of the board's intention to consider approval of the petition. The board shall consider whether the commissioner, in support of the request for approval of the petition, has adequately shown that the fishery meets requirements for a moratorium on new entrants under AS 16.05.050. The board by a majority vote of its members at the meeting when the petition must be considered shall approve or disapprove the petition.

(h) The Board of Fisheries shall adopt by regulation a policy for the management of mixed stock fisheries. The policy shall provide for the management of mixed stock fisheries in a manner that is consistent with sustained yield of wild fish stocks.

Sec. 16.05.253. Operation of stationary fishing gear.

(a) The Board of Fisheries may require a person who holds a limited entry permit or an interim-use permit under AS 16.43 to be physically present at a beach or riparian fishing site during the operation of net gear or other stationary fishing gear at the site, except when the permit holder is at or traveling to or from the location of

- (1) a sale of fish caught in the gear; or
- (2) other stationary gear of the permit holder.

(b) In this section, "fishing site " means fishing site as defined by the Board of Fisheries and includes any structure used for providing shelter in support of the operation of the net gear or other stationary fishing gear.

Sec. 16.05.255. Regulations of the Board of Game; management requirements.

(a) The Board of Game may adopt regulations it considers advisable in accordance with AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act) for

- (1) setting apart game reserve areas, refuges, and sanctuaries in the water or on the land of the state over which it has jurisdiction, subject to the approval of the legislature;
- (2) establishing open and closed seasons and areas for the taking of game;

(3) establishing the means and methods employed in the pursuit, capture, taking, and transport of game, including regulations, consistent with resource conservation and development goals, establishing means and methods that may be employed by persons with physical disabilities;

(4) setting quotas, bag limits, harvest levels, and sex, age, and size limitations on the taking of game;

(5) classifying game as game birds, song birds, big game animals, fur bearing animals, predators, or other categories;

(6) methods, means, and harvest levels necessary to control predation and competition among game in the state;

(7) watershed and habitat improvement, and management, conservation, protection, use, disposal, propagation, and stocking of game;

(8) prohibiting the live capture, possession, transport, or release of native or exotic game or their eggs;

(9) establishing the times and dates during which the issuance of game licenses, permits, and registrations and the transfer of permits and registrations between registration areas and game management units or subunits is allowed;

(10) regulating sport hunting and subsistence hunting as needed for the conservation, development, and utilization of game;

(11) taking game to ensure public safety;

(12) regulating the activities of persons licensed to control nuisance wild birds and nuisance wild small mammals.

(b) *[Repealed, Sec. 12 ch 52 SLA 1986].*

(c) If the Board of Game denies a petition or proposal to amend, adopt, or repeal a regulation, the board, upon receiving a written request from the sponsor of the petition or proposal, shall in addition to the requirements of AS 44.62.230 provide a written explanation for the denial to the sponsor not later than 30 days after the board has officially met and denied the sponsor's petition or proposal, or 30 days after receiving the request for an explanation, whichever is later.

(d) Regulations adopted under (a) of this section must provide that, consistent with the provisions of AS 16.05.258, the taking of moose, deer, elk, and caribou by residents for personal or family consumption has preference over taking by nonresidents.

(e) The Board of Game shall adopt regulations to provide for intensive management programs to restore the abundance or productivity of identified big game prey populations as necessary to achieve human consumptive use goals of the board in an area where the board has determined that

(1) consumptive use of the big game prey population is a preferred use;

(2) depletion of the big game prey population or reduction of the productivity of the big game prey

population has occurred and may result in a significant reduction in the allowable human harvest of the population; and

(3) enhancement of abundance or productivity of the big game prey population is feasibly achievable utilizing recognized and prudent active management techniques.

(f) The Board of Game may not significantly reduce the taking of an identified big game prey population by adopting regulations relating to restrictions on harvest or access to the population, or to management of the population by customary adjustments in seasons, bag limits, open and closed areas, methods and means, or by other customary means authorized under (a) of this section, unless the board has adopted regulations, or has scheduled for adoption at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the board regulations, that provide for intensive management to increase the take of the population for human harvest consistent with (e) of this section. This subsection does not apply if the board

(1) determines that intensive management would be

(A) ineffective, based on scientific information;

(B) inappropriate due to land ownership patterns; or

(C) against the best interest of subsistence uses; or

(2) declares that a biological emergency exists and takes immediate action to protect or maintain the big game prey population in conjunction with the scheduling for adoption of those regulations that are necessary to implement (e) of this section.

(g) The Board of Game shall establish population and harvest goals and seasons for intensive management of identified big game prey populations to achieve a high level of human harvest.

(h) *[Repealed, 2000 Ballot Measure No. 6].*

(i) For the purpose of encouraging adults to take children hunting, the board shall establish annual hunting seasons in appropriate areas of the state for big game, other than bison and musk ox, that are open before schools start in the fall and before regular hunting seasons begin. Only a resident child accompanied by a resident adult or a child accompanied by the child's resident parent, resident stepparent, or resident legal guardian may take big game in an area where a season established under this subsection is in effect. The adult, parent, stepparent, or legal guardian who accompanies the child may only assist the child in taking big game. A big game animal taken under this subsection must be counted against the bag limits of both the child and the adult, parent, stepparent, or legal guardian who accompanies the child. In this subsection,

(1) "adult" means an individual who is 21 years of age or older;

(2) "child" means an individual who is not more than 17 years of age and not younger than eight years of age.

(j) In this section,

(1) "harvestable surplus" means the number of animals that is estimated to equal the number of offspring born in a game population during a year less the number of animals required for recruitment for population

maintenance and enhancement, when necessary, and the number of animals in the population that die from all causes, other than predation or human harvest, during that year;

(2) "high level of human harvest" means the allocation of a sufficient portion of the harvestable surplus of a game population to achieve a high probability of success for human harvest of the game population based on biological capabilities of the population and considering hunter demand;

(3) "identified big game prey population" means a population of ungulates that is identified by the Board of Game and that is important for providing high levels of harvest for human consumptive use;

(4) "intensive management" means management of an identified big game prey population consistent with sustained yield through active management measures to enhance, extend, and develop the population to maintain high levels or provide for higher levels of human harvest, including control of predation and prescribed or planned use of fire and other habitat improvement techniques.

(5) "sustained yield" means the achievement and maintenance in perpetuity of the ability to support a high level of human harvest of game, subject to preferences among beneficial uses, on an annual or periodic basis.

Sec. 16.05.256. Nonresident and nonresident alien permits.

Whenever it is necessary to restrict the taking of big game so that the opportunity for state residents to take big game can be reasonably satisfied in accordance with sustained yield principles, the Board of Game may, through a permit system, limit the taking of big game by nonresidents and nonresident aliens to accomplish that purpose.

Sec. 16.05.257. Subsistence hunting regulations. [Repealed, Sec. 12 ch 52 SLA 1986].

Repealed or Renumbered

Sec. 16.05.258. Subsistence use and allocation of fish and game.

(a) Except in nonsubsistence areas, the Board of Fisheries and the Board of Game shall identify the fish stocks and game populations, or portions of stocks or populations, that are customarily and traditionally taken or used for subsistence. The commissioner shall provide recommendations to the boards concerning the stock and population identifications. The boards shall make identifications required under this subsection after receipt of the commissioner's recommendations.

(b) The appropriate board shall determine whether a portion of a fish stock or game population identified under (a) of this section can be harvested consistent with sustained yield. If a portion of a stock or population can be harvested consistent with sustained yield, the board shall determine the amount of the harvestable portion that is reasonably necessary for subsistence uses and

(1) if the harvestable portion of the stock or population is sufficient to provide for all consumptive uses, the appropriate board

(A) shall adopt regulations that provide a reasonable opportunity for subsistence uses of those stocks or populations;

(B) shall adopt regulations that provide for other uses of those stocks or populations, subject to

preferences among beneficial uses; and

(C) may adopt regulations to differentiate among uses;

(2) if the harvestable portion of the stock or population is sufficient to provide for subsistence uses and some, but not all, other consumptive uses, the appropriate board

(A) shall adopt regulations that provide a reasonable opportunity for subsistence uses of those stocks or populations;

(B) may adopt regulations that provide for other consumptive uses of those stocks or populations; and

(C) shall adopt regulations to differentiate among consumptive uses that provide for a preference for the subsistence uses, if regulations are adopted under (B) of this paragraph;

(3) if the harvestable portion of the stock or population is sufficient to provide for subsistence uses, but no other consumptive uses, the appropriate board shall

(A) determine the portion of the stocks or populations that can be harvested consistent with sustained yield; and

(B) adopt regulations that eliminate other consumptive uses in order to provide a reasonable opportunity for subsistence uses; and

(4) if the harvestable portion of the stock or population is not sufficient to provide a reasonable opportunity for subsistence uses, the appropriate board shall

(A) adopt regulations eliminating consumptive uses, other than subsistence uses;

(B) distinguish among subsistence users, through limitations based on

(i) the customary and direct dependence on the fish stock or game population by the subsistence user for human consumption as a mainstay of livelihood;

(ii) the proximity of the domicile of the subsistence user to the stock or population; and

(iii) the ability of the subsistence user to obtain food if subsistence use is restricted or eliminated.

(c) The boards may not permit subsistence hunting or fishing in a nonsubsistence area. The boards, acting jointly, shall identify by regulation the boundaries of nonsubsistence areas. A nonsubsistence area is an area or community where dependence upon subsistence is not a principal characteristic of the economy, culture, and way of life of the area or community. In determining whether dependence upon subsistence is a principal characteristic of the economy, culture, and way of life of an area or community under this subsection, the boards shall jointly consider the relative importance of subsistence in the context of the totality of the following socio-economic characteristics of the area or community:

(1) the social and economic structure;

(2) the stability of the economy;

(3) the extent and the kinds of employment for wages, including full-time, part-time, temporary, and seasonal employment;

(4) the amount and distribution of cash income among those domiciled in the area or community;

(5) the cost and availability of goods and services to those domiciled in the area or community;

(6) the variety of fish and game species used by those domiciled in the area or community;

(7) the seasonal cycle of economic activity;

(8) the percentage of those domiciled in the area or community participating in hunting and fishing activities or using wild fish and game;

(9) the harvest levels of fish and game by those domiciled in the area or community;

(10) the cultural, social, and economic values associated with the taking and use of fish and game;

(11) the geographic locations where those domiciled in the area or community hunt and fish;

(12) the extent of sharing and exchange of fish and game by those domiciled in the area or community;

(13) additional similar factors the boards establish by regulation to be relevant to their determinations under this subsection.

(d) Fish stocks and game populations, or portions of fish stocks and game populations not identified under (a) of this section may be taken only under nonsubsistence regulations.

(e) Takings and uses of fish and game authorized under this section are subject to regulations regarding open and closed areas, seasons, methods and means, marking and identification requirements, quotas, bag limits, harvest levels, and sex, age, and size limitations. Takings and uses of resources authorized under this section are subject to AS 16.05.831 and AS 16.30.

(f) For purposes of this section, "reasonable opportunity" means an opportunity, as determined by the appropriate board, that allows a subsistence user to participate in a subsistence hunt or fishery that provides a normally diligent participant with a reasonable expectation of success of taking of fish or game.

Sec. 16.05.259. No subsistence defense.

In a prosecution for the taking of fish or game in violation of a statute or regulation, it is not a defense that the taking was done for subsistence uses.

Sec. 16.05.260. Advisory committees.

The Board of Fisheries and the Board of Game may adopt regulations they consider advisable in accordance with AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act) establishing, at places in the state designated by the individual boards, advisory committees to be composed of persons well informed on the fish or game resources of the locality. The boards shall set the number and terms of each of the members of the advisory committees, shall

delegate one member of each committee as chairman, and shall give the chairman authority to hold public hearings on fish or game matters. Recommendations from the advisory committees shall be forwarded to the appropriate board for their consideration but if the Board of Fisheries or the Board of Game chooses not to follow the recommendations of the local advisory committee the appropriate board shall inform the appropriate advisory committee of this action and state the reasons for not following the recommendations. The commissioner shall delegate authority to advisory committees for emergency closures during established seasons. The commissioner is empowered to set aside and make null and void only opening of seasons set by the advisory committees under this section. The appropriate board shall adopt the necessary regulations governing these closures.

Sec. 16.05.261. [Renumbered as AS 16.05.259].

Repealed or Renumbered

Sec. 16.05.270. Delegation of authority to commissioner.

For the purpose of administering AS 16.05.251 and 16.05.255, each board may delegate authority to the commissioner to act in its behalf. If there is a conflict between the board and the commissioner on proposed regulations, public hearings shall be held concerning the issues in question. If, after the public hearings, the board and the commissioner continue to disagree, the issue shall be certified in writing by the board and the commissioner to the governor who shall make a decision. The decision of the governor is final.

Sec. 16.05.280. Removal of board members.

The governor may only remove a board member for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or misconduct in office, or because the member while serving on the board is convicted of a misdemeanor for violating a statute or regulation related to fish or game or of a felony, and shall do so by delivering to the member a written copy of the charges and giving the member an opportunity to be heard in person or through counsel at a public hearing before the governor or a designee upon at least 10 days' notice by registered mail. The member may confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses. Upon removal, the governor or a designee shall file in the proper state office the findings and a complete statement of all charges made against the member.

Sec. 16.05.290. Compensation of board members.

Each member of a board is entitled to compensation at a rate equal to Step A, Range 20, of the salary schedule in AS 39.27.011 (a) for Juneau, Alaska, for each day going to and from and for each day in actual attendance at board meetings. For other meetings or conferences authorized by a board a member shall receive compensation at a rate equal to one-half of Step A, Range 20, of the salary schedule in AS 39.27.011(a) for Juneau, Alaska, for each day going to and from and for each day in actual attendance. Each member of a board is also entitled to travel expenses and per diem authorized for boards and commissions under AS 39.20.180.

Sec. 16.05.300. Board meetings.

(a) Each board shall hold at least one meeting a year and as many other meetings as it considers necessary. Each board shall select the time and place in the state for the transaction of business. Each board shall maintain its office at the principal office of the department.

(b) In addition, the Board of Fisheries shall hold at least one meeting or hearing a year in each of the

following general areas:

- (1) Upper Yukon - Kuskokwim - Arctic
- (2) Western Alaska (including Kodiak)
- (3) Southcentral
- (4) Prince William Sound (including Yakutat).

Sec. 16.05.305. Clerical assistance for boards.

The Board of Fisheries and the Board of Game are authorized to hire and set the compensation for one clerical assistant for each board.

Sec. 16.05.310. Special board meetings.

A board may meet at any time upon the call of the commissioner or upon the request of two board members.

