



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

National Marine Fisheries Service

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Juneau, Alaska 99802-1668

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F. Joseph Bersch III
111 West Harrison
Seattle, Washington 98119

Re: Approval of an Amendment to the Mothership Salmon Savings Incentive Plan

Dear Mr. Bersch:

We have reviewed a proposed amendment to the Mothership Salmon Savings Incentive Plan (IPA) you submitted on January 14, 2011. The IPA you are proposing to amend was approved by NMFS on November 5, 2010, under regulations at 50 CFR part 679 for management of Chinook salmon bycatch in the Bering Sea pollock fishery.

I have determined that this proposed amendment meets the requirements of § 679.21(f)(12) because a completed application for the amendment was submitted and the IPA as amended is consistent with the requirements of § 679.21(f)(12)(i) through (iv). Therefore, I approve the amended IPA effective today.

Sincerely,


for James W. Balsiger, Ph.D.
Administrator, Alaska Region

