# NOTIFICATION OF PACIFIC COD FREEZER LONGLINE MONITORING OPTION

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**Note:** Selection must occur by November 1st for the upcoming year. Once selected, the vessel owner or operator must comply with the selected monitoring option for the entire year.

| ***BLOCK A – VESSEL INFORMATION*** | | |
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| 1. Name of Vessel | | 2. Federal Fishery Permit No. |
| 3. Name of Vessel Owner or Operator (circle one): | | |
| 4. Permanent Business Address: | | |
| 5. Business Telephone Number: | 6. Business Fax Number: | 7. Business E-mail Address: |

| ***BLOCK B- PACIFIC COD MONITORING OPTION***<br>***Check one to indicate monitoring option*** |
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| ☐ Opt-out of directed fishing for Pacific cod in the BSAI and groundfish CDQ fishing |
| ☐ Motion Compensated Scales<br>*If this option is chosen complete and submit all the sections of the Inspection Request Form*: https://alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/webapps/forms/inspection.jsp |
| ☐ Increased Observer Coverage<br>*If this option is chosen complete and submit only the Observer Sampling Station portion of the Inspection Request Form: https://alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/webapps/forms/inspection.jsp* |

### *PUBLIC BURDEN STATEMENT*

A Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with an information collection subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 unless the information collection has a currently valid OMB Control Number. The approved OMB Control Number for this information collection is 0648-0330. Without this approval, we could not conduct this information collection. Public reporting for this information collection is estimated to be approximately 10 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the information collection. All responses to this information collection are required to obtain or retain benefits under 50 CFR part 679 and under section 402(a) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1801, *et seq*.). Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this information collection, including suggestions for reducing this burden to Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service, P.O. Box 21688. Juneau, AK 99802-1668.

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### *PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT*

**Authority:** The collection of this information is authorized under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, 16 U.S.C 1801 *et seq*.

**Purpose:** In order to manage U.S. fisheries, the NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service collects permit holder information forms for the At-Sea Scales Program, which was developed in response to the need for catch accounting methods that were more precise and verifiable at the level of the individual haul and less dependent on estimates generated by at-sea observers. This was necessary due to the implementation of large-scale catch share programs that required NMFS to provide verifiable and defensible estimates of quota harvest. NMFS also established a set of performance based standards to allow shoreside processors to describe how they will ensure that all delivered catch can be effectively monitored by NMFS-authorized personnel, and that all catch is accurately sorted and weighed by species.

**Routine Uses:** The Department will use this information to identify fishery participants and evaluate the qualifications of the applicants. Disclosure of this information is permitted under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a**)**, to be shared within NMFS offices, in order to coordinate monitoring and management of sustainability of fisheries and protected resources, as well as with the applicable State or Regional Marine Fisheries Commissions and International Organizations. Disclosure of this information is also subject to all of the published routine uses as identified in the Privacy Act System of Records Notice COMMERCE/NOAA-19, Permits and Registrations for the United States Federally Regulated Fisheries.

**Disclosure:** Furnishing this information is required to obtain or retain the benefit of participation in either an at-sea scales program or shore-based catch monitoring program; failure to provide complete and accurate information will prevent the determination of eligibility for registration in either of these programs.