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Mr. Jon Kurland
Regional Administrator, Alaska Region
National Marine Fisheries Service
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Ms. Julie Sande
Commissioner
Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
P.O. Box 110800
Juneau, Alaska 99811-0800

Dear Mr. Kurland and Commissioner Sande:

Central Bering Sea Fishermen's Association (CBSFA), the Community Development Quota entity for Saint Paul Island, submits this letter to the National Marine Fisheries Service and the State of Alaska as our 2022 annual statement of compliance, as required in Section 305(i)(1)(E)(v) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (the "MSA").

Section 305(i)(1)(E)(v) of the MSA states:

(v) ANNUAL STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE. – Each year the entity, following approval by its board of directors and signed by its chief executive officer, shall submit a written statement to the Secretary and the State of Alaska that summarizes the purposes for which it made investments under clauses (iii) and (iv) during the preceding year.

Sections 305 (i)(1)(E)(iii) and (iv) of the MSA state:

(iii) OTHER INVESTMENTS. – The entity may make up to 20 percent of its annual investments in any combination of the following:

(I) For projects that are not fishery-related and that are located in its region.

(II) On a pooled or joint investment basis with one or more other entities participating in the program for projects that are not fishery-related and that are located in one or more of their regions.

(III) For matching Federal or State grants for projects or programs in its member villages without regard to any limitation on the Federal or State share, or restriction on the sources of any non-Federal or non-State matching funds, of any grant program under any other provision of law.

(iv) FISHERY-RELATED INVESTMENTS. – The entity shall make the remainder percent of its annual investments in fisheries-related projects or for other purposes consistent with the practices of the entity prior to March 1, 2006.

Please be advised that CBSFA made investments in 2022 consistent with the provisions of Sections 305(i)(1)(E)(iii) and (iv) of the MSA.

The attached CBSFA Resolution 23-02 documents approval by the CBSFA Board of Directors.

Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'PL', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Phillip Lestenkof, President
Central Bering Sea Fishermen's Association