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MEMORANDUM FOR: Council Members
North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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SUBJECT: Recusal Determinations for the April 2024 Council Meeting

NOAA General Counsel, Alaska Section has reviewed the North Pacific Fishery Management Council's draft April 2024 agenda for recusal issues.

Under 50 C.F.R. § 600.225(b)(9)(ii), none of the agenda items for the April 2024 meeting constitutes a "particular matter primarily of individual concern," and none of the Council members is recused from participating on any agenda item under that regulation.

Further, under 50 C.F.R. § 600.235, none of the agenda items constitutes a "Council decision." Therefore, the regulations do not require recusal determinations for any of the matters before the Council at the April 2024 meeting.

According to the regulations at 50 C.F.R. § 600.235(g), any Council member may file a written request to NOAA General Counsel for a review of this determination. Requests for review should be e-mailed to Kristen Gustafson, Deputy General Counsel, NOAA Office of the General Counsel at Kristen.L.Gustafson@noaa.gov. A request for review must be received by Ms. Gustafson by March 25, 2024. Please see the regulations at 50 C.F.R. § 600.235(g) for more information on requests for review.

