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Agenda Item: C-5 BSAI P. Cod Issues

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Eric Olson, Chairman
North Pacific Fishery Management Council
605 4th Avenue Suite306
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Subject C-5(a) Bering Sea & Aleutian Island Pacific Cod Spilt

Dear Chairman Olson:

On behalf of the City of Unalaska, I am submitting the following comments on agenda item C-5 (a) BSAI Pacific Cod spilt. The City of Unalaska supports the recommendations of the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) on this agenda item, that it should be reviewed by the stock assessment authors and that the groundfish plan team should develop a plan of action on how the BSAI stock assessment should evolve this would be based on the reasons the SSC outlined in there meeting minutes.

Unalaska has previously opposed the proposed spilt and has supported the status quo option, based on impacts we would see on cod landings being reduced from the Bering Sea, to Unalaska from a spilt allocation. Many catcher vessels both fixed and trawl that deliver cod to the community lack Aleutian Island endorsements this could also impact cod landings to the community. The proposed spilt would also impact local processing operations, city revenues on fish and sales taxes, as well impacts to local support sector business.

With the many management changes that have happened recently in the Aleutians Islands, and with the possible changes that may happen with cod fishing patterns and redeployment of vessels based on these recent management changes, such as the Steller Sea Lion RPA's, State of Alaska Aleutian Island management changes, and other changes in this area, make this action difficult to move forward at this time. For the above listed reasons, we support the SSC recommendations on the proposed BSAI Pacific Cod spilt.

Thank you for the consideration of our comments on this agenda item.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Frank Kelty', written in a cursive style.

**Frank Kelty,
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Resource Analyst**

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