Executive Director's Report

Bob Mace Retirement Party

We will honor Bob Mace tonight at the industry reception at Salty's. He and his wife, Phyllis, will be there to receive the appreciation of everyone for a job well done over the past 25 years. We sent out maps to Salty's in the last mailing. More are available in the back of the Council meeting room.

New Oregon Member

The State of Oregon has appointed Roy Hyder to replace Bob Mace as their designee on the Council. Roy retired as head of the Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division and has a longstanding involvement with fish and wildlife management with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission. This is his first meeting and we extend him a warm welcome.

New Plan Team Members

The Alaska Fisheries Science Center has nominated Lowell Fritz to replace Rich Ferrero on the BSAI groundfish plan team. In addition, ADF&G has nominated Mr. Forest Bowers for membership on the BSAI Crab Plan Team to fill the seat formerly held by Rance Morrison. We need to approve these memberships once we receive the recommendations from the SSC.

AP/SSC Nominations

We will be calling for AP and SSC nominations following this meeting. The Council will review them in December for one-year appointments. The Pacific Northwest Crab Industry Advisory Committee (PNCIAC) members are two-year terms and up for review this fall also.

In Remembrance

We received word that Alice Lokken passed away on September 12th. She was 93 years of age, and married for 69 years to Harold Lokken who is now 95 and living in Seattle. Harold represented Fishing Vessel Owners Association on our first Council from 1976 through 1984, was chairman in 1977-78, and vice chairman most of the rest of the time. He and Alice have three children, nine grandchildren, and 13 great grandchildren.

Groundfish Forum Experimental Fishing Permit

Groundfish Forum conducted tests on a halibut excluder device this past two years, working closely with Dr. Craig Rose of the Alaska Fisheries Science Center's RACE Division. John Gauvin has asked for time this week to present the results. I suggest sometime Friday afternoon just before we close out business for the day. John's email request is under item B-1(a).

New NOAA and NMFS Administrators

The new head of NOAA, Vice Admiral Conrad C. Lautenbacher, Jr., U.S. Navy (Retired) has been nominated by Secretary Evans. A summary of his background is under <u>B-1(b)</u>. In addition, as you all know by now, Dr. William Hogarth has been confirmed to head NMFS. A background piece for Bill is also under <u>B-1(b)</u>.

Upcoming Meetings

The December meeting will be held in Anchorage the week of December 3rd. The SSC and AP will convene on Monday, and the Council on Wednesday the 5th. Additional meetings are listed in <u>B-1(c)</u>. A three-meeting outlook also is included there.

MSA Reauthorization

For all the reasons one might expect, given the tragic events over the past few weeks, things have slowed down in Congress. The House is still scheduled to hold two hearings before the end of the year on MSA reauthorization. One on the ITQ moratorium and the use of cooperatives will be held in D.C. near the end of October. A second one on science and cooperative research will be held in early November in Ocean City, MD. No draft bills from the House are expected until sometime next year.

Similarly, the Senate is behind schedule and will not have a draft bill until next year.

Presidential Commission on Ocean Policy

The Commission met on September 17-18, and among other things, named ADM Watkins to chair the commission. Their next meeting will be held November 13-14 in Washington, D.C. More information on the commission and its members is under <u>B-1(d)</u>.

Staff Tasking

Staff Tasking over the coming months is summarized in agenda item <u>D-3</u>.

Subject: [Fwd: EFP report to NPFMC in Oct.]

Date: Tue, 25 Sep 2001 16:39:33 -0700 From: John Gauvin <gauvin@seanet.com>

To: "clarence.pautzke" <clarence.pautzke@noaa.gov>

----- Original Message -----

Subject: EFP report to NPFMC in Oct.

Date: Tue, 18 Sep 2001 15:37:28 -0700

From: John Gauvin <gauvin@seanet.com>

To: clarence.pautzke@noaa.gov

Clarence: The EFP report we would like to give concerns a two year experiment that Groundfish Forum conducted with Dr. Craig Rose of the Alaska Fisheries Science Center's RACE Division. The test evaluated the ability of a three-stage halibut excluder device placed in the trawl intermediate to reduce halibut bycatch while attempting to minimize loss of target cod catch. The difficulty of developing an excluder for the cod trawl fishery is that cod are large. The excluders we have previously developed for the flatfish fishery were designed to take advantage of the size differential between target flatfish and halibut. When that type of excluder is used for cod fishing, most of the cod catch tends to get excluded along with the halibut. This new excluder incorporated a large mesh panel to prevent capture of skates and other large fish that may clog the second and third stage devices. The second and third stage excluders employed grates and slotted panels. Overall, the device as modified for the second part (2001) of the EFP showed a great deal of promise.

FROM:

Donald L. Evans

Secretary of Commerce

SUBJECT:

NOAA Leadership

I want to take this opportunity to express my deep gratitude to Scott Gudes, who has ably served me, NOAA, and the entire Department of Commerce as Acting Administrator of NOAA since my first day on the job. Scott is a true pro, and I know you join me in appreciation for the exemplary leadership he has provided for these many months, as the Administration has conducted a careful search to identify a top-flight candidate for the position of Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere/Administrator of NOAA. I am so glad to have Scott on our NOAA team and look forward to his continuing contributions to our service to the American people.

This week, President Bush announced his intent to nominate Vice Admiral Conrad C. Lautenbacher, Jr., U.S. Navy (Retired) for confirmation by the United States Senate as Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere/Administrator of NOAA.

Vice Admiral Lautenbacher currently serves as the President of the Consortium for Oceanographic Research and Education (CORE) in Washington, D.C. CORE is an association of over 65 oceanographic research institutions, universities, laboratories and aquaria. CORE promotes, develops and supports knowledge and learning in the science and education of oceanography and has staffed the National Oceanographic Partnership Program, of which NOAA is a member.

Vice Admiral Conrad Lautenbacher is a native of Philadelphia and a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy (class of '64). He attended Harvard University, receiving M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Applied Mathematics. He was selected as a Navy Federal Executive Fellow and served at the Brookings Institute.

Vice Admiral Lautenbacher held numerous commands and leadership positions during his Naval career. He served as Commander of the THIRD Fleet in the Pacific. He was Commanding Officer of the destroyer USS HEWITT. He was commander of the Naval Station, Norfolk, Virginia, the U.S. Navy's largest naval station. He served our Nation during Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm as the Deputy Naval Component Commander in charge of the Navy's participation in the Air War and was the naval representative to General H. Norman Schwarzkof, the Commander in Chief, U.S. Central Command. He has served on a number of other surface combatant ships and in the Western Pacific and Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War.

In addition, he served as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Management and

Inspector General for the Commander in Chief, Pacific; Director of Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment for the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management); and Director, Office of Program Appraisal, Office of the Secretary of the Navy and Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Resources, Warfare Requirements and Assessments.

He is deeply committed to oceanic and atmospheric programs. He has both extensive science and management experience, which will serve him well in leading our agency into this new century. Vice Admiral Lautenbacher is an advocate of education and research, and has demonstrated a commitment to people throughout his distinguished career.

In Vice Admiral Conrad Lautenbacher, President Bush has chosen a true leader for NOAA with whom we can all be proud to serve.

Subject: Dr. William Hogarth Named Assistant Administrator for Fisheries

Date: Fri, 07 Sep 2001 08:24:43 -0400

From: "Constituent Releases" < Constituent.Releases@noaa.gov>

To: clarence.pautzke@noaa.gov

TO: Clarence Pautzke North Pacific Fishery 9,1-907-271-2817

Constituent Contact: Robert Hansen, (202) 482-4594, Robert.C.Hansen@noaa.gov

Subject: Dr. William T. Hogarth Named Assistant Administrator for Fisheries

NOAA is pleased to announce that Secretary of Commerce Don Evans has named Dr. William T. Hogarth as the new Assistant Administrator for NOAA Fisheries. Bill Hogarth has been Acting Assistant Administrator since being reassigned from his position as Deputy Assistant Administrator in January 2001. Since his tenure as Acting Assistant Administrator began, Bill has initiated a number of proactive efforts important to the continued success of NOAA Fisheries. Bill Hogarth has also been personally committed to improving agency communication with its constituents and the public.

Bill's long-term experience and expertise with controversial fisheries management issues make him an excellent choice for this post. He is an expert on issues of commercial and recreational fisheries, protected species, and habitat - with extensive knowledge and experience in the management and science of marine resources. Beginning in 1994, he ahs held several positions in NOAA Fisheries Headquarters, including Chief of the Highly Migratory Species Division. In addition, he has extensive experience in the field, serving as the Southwest Regional Administrator in Long Beach, California, from April 1997 through April 1999, and as the Southeast Regional Administrator in St. Petersburg, Florida, from May 1999 to July 2000. Bill returned to NOAA Fisheries Headquarters when he was appointed as the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries in July 2000. Prior to joining NOAA, Bill was the Director of the North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries from 1986 to 1994. He holds a Ph.D. from North Carolina State University.

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December 3, 2001	February 4, 2002	April 8, 2002
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BSAI pot cod split (Amendment 68): Final Action (T)		Processor s/b IR/IU: Initial Review
Community QS purchase: Initial Review	Community QS purchase: Final action	BSAI trawl P. cod LLP recency: Initial Review (T)
GOA Rationalization: Review white paper (T)		P.cod s/b proposal: Initial Review (T)
Shark/Skate other species FMP: Initial Review		AFA SGL change: Initial Review (T)
	Observer Program: Initial Review on reg amendments	Observer Program: Final Action on Reg Amendments
CDQ Regulatory Amendments: Final Review		AFA Extension: Preliminary Review (T)
Programmatic SEIS: Status Report	CDQ Policy Amendments: Initial Review (T)	CDQ Policy Amendments: Final Review (T)
AFA: Review initial coop agreements/reports	AFA: Final review coop agreements/reports	
	SR/RE Retention: Initial Review	SR/RE Retention: Final Action
Catch and bycatch disclosure: Review discussion paper	TAC-setting process: Final action (T)	
Crab Rationalization amendment: Preliminary Review	Crab Rationalization amendment: Initial Review	Crab Rationalization amendment: Final Review
Halibut Subsistence Amendments: Initial Review	Halibut Subsistence Amendments: Final Review	
Groundfish Specifications for 2002: Final Recommendations	FMP Updates: Initial Review (T)	FMP Updates: Final Action (T)
GOA salmon bycatch: Review and Discuss		
EFH: Finalize Alternatives for EIS	EFH: Review Progress	EFH: Review Progress

*NOTE: This tentative timeline will be updated periodically, particularly after each Council meeting, as the Council works through its decision process.

TAC - Total Allowable Catch	MSA - Magnuson Stevens Act	SAFE - Stock assessment and fishery evaluation	
IFQ - Individual Fishing Quota	SGL - Single Geographic Location	CV - Catcher Vessel CP- Catcher Processor	
AFA - American Fisheries Act	SSL - Steller Sea Lion	SR/RE - Shortraker/Rougheye	
HAPC - Habitat Areas of Particular Concern	GHL - Guideline Harvest Level	MSST - Minimum Stock Size Threshold	
LLP - License Limitation Program	SEIS - Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement	FMP - Fishery Management Plan	
PSC - Prohibited Species Catch	CDQ - Community Development Quota	(T) Tentatively scheduled	
·	GCCC- Gulf Coastal Communities Coalition		

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PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON OCEAN POLICY ELECTS ADMIRAL JAMES D. WATKINS AS CHAIRMAN

The Commission on Ocean Policy named Admiral James D. Watkins, U.S. Navy (Retired) chairman of the commission during its first gathering. The meetings were held on Monday and Tuesday, September 17 and 18 in Washington, DC. The 16-member commission, appointed by President Bush, is undertaking an 18-month investigation of oceans-related issues and will make far-reaching recommendations to the president and Congress for a comprehensive national ocean policy, including the Great Lakes.

Over the next year and a half, the commission will assess a wide range of challenging issues, including stewardship of fisheries and marine life; responsible use of offshore oil, gas and non-living resources; coastal storms and other natural hazards; ocean and coastal pollution; marine transportation; the role of oceans in climate change; oceanographic science and technologies; and international leadership and cooperation in marine affairs.

James Connaughton, chair of the White House Council on Environmental Quality, Paula Dobriansky, under secretary of State for Global Affairs, Environmental Protection Agency Administrator, Christie Whitman, and Commerce Secretary Donald L. Evans spoke during the first meeting and stressed the importance of the oceans to the nation's economy and security and of the need to protect and conserve ocean resources for this and future generations. They reiterated the Administration's support for the Commission. The meeting consisted primarily of organizational issues, including establishing four committees on Governance; Stewardship; Research, Education and Marine Operations; and Investment and Development and electing a chairman.

"I am honored to chair this commission. The United States has not investigated its relationship with the oceans since 1969 when the only previous Presidential Commission made its report, 'Our Nation and the Sea,'" said Admiral James D. Watkins U.S. Navy (Retired), chairman of the commission. "Yet, the nation and its use of the oceans have changed dramatically in the interim, crying for an urgent and comprehensive readdressal of our nation's ocean policy."

Established by federal legislation, the Commission on Ocean Policy is charged with reviewing the effects of federal ocean-related laws and programs. The Oceans Act of 2000 requires the commission to establish findings and make recommendations for reducing duplication, improving efficiency, enhancing cooperation, and modifying the structure of federal

agencies involved in the world's oceans. The Act requires the commission to consider environmental, technical, economic, and scientific factors in the course of its deliberations.

The commission is also charged with assessing the relationship among federal, state, and local governments and the private sector in carrying out ocean and coastal activities. The governors of coastal states will be provided the opportunity to assess the commission's draft report and their comments will be incorporated into the final report to the president and Congress.

The National Academy of Sciences' Ocean Studies Board is to help establish a science advisory panel to assist in ensuring the scientific reports presented to the commission are based on the best available scientific information. During the course of its one-and-a-half year study, the Commission is required to hold six regional meetings around the country.

The members of the commission were appointed by President Bush, following procedures established by the Oceans Act. The president appointed 12 commissioners from among a list of 24 people who were nominated by Congress. In addition, the president directly selected four additional commissioners.

The last similar review of the nation's ocean laws and policies was conducted in the late 1960s under similar legislation. Commonly known as the Stratton Commission, after its chairman Julius Stratton, that commission's 1969 report led to the creation of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the passage of major legislation governing fisheries and coastal management.

"Scientific and public policy experts from all sectors are calling for the kind of attention to the oceans of inner-space during the next 50 years that we devoted to outer space during the last 50," Watkins said. "Today's Commission on Ocean Policy has been challenged by the Congress and the President to help lead the way. That is precisely what we plan to do."

Within 120 days of delivery of the commission's report, the act requires the president to submit to Congress proposals and responses to the commission's recommendations.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 13 and 14 and will also be held in Washington, D.C.

For more information visit http://www.oceancommission.gov

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COMMISSION ON OCEAN POLICY

Robert D. Ballard, Ph.D.

Biographies of the Commissioners of the federal Commission on Ocean Policy

Dr. Robert Ballard spent 30 years as an oceanographer at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution were he founded the Deep Submergence Laboratory. While at Woods Hole he pioneered the use of manned submersibles including the first manned exploration of the Mid-Ocean Ridge, which helped confirm the theory of Plate Tectonics and led to the discovery of hydrothermal vents and their exotic life forms. He helped develop the ARGO/JASON remotely operated vehicle systems that led to the discovery of the Titanic. Later he founded the JASON Foundation for Education, an Internet based "live" distance learning program involving 1.3 million students and 30,000 science teachers world-wide. In 1997, he founded the Institute for Exploration in Mystic, CT, in an effort to create a new field of research in deep water archaeology, which led to the discovery of the largest concentration of Roman ships and the oldest ancient ships ever found in the

deep sea. Presently he is an explorer-in-residence for the National Geographic Society and president of the newly created Immersion Institute, which is providing "live" public access to the National Marine Sanctuaries.

Mr. Ted A. Beattie

Ted A. Beattie is President & CEO of Chicago's John G. Shedd Aquarium, the world's largest indoor aquarium/oceanarium, attracting 2 million visitors each year. He currently is President of the American Zoo and Aquarium Association, which represents nearly 7,000 professional members nationwide and 196 accredited U.S. zoos and aquariums. During his 23-year zoo and aquarium career, Ted was director of zoos in Knoxville, Tennessee and Fort Worth, Texas. He serves on the Board of Directors of the Ohio State University Alumni Association, the OSU Chicago Major Gifts Committee, the Provost's External Advisory Board on Teaching, and the Advisory Board for the School of Journalism and Communication. Ted also serves on the boards of directors of National-Louis University and The Arts Club of Chicago; and is a member of the Chicago Club, Economic Club of Chicago, Chicago Central Area Committee and Onwentsia Club. He earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees from Ohio State.

Mrs. Lillian Borrone

Lillian Borrone retired from a 27-year career with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey in 2000, having last served as Assistant Executive Director and, immediately prior to that, as the Port Commerce Director for over 12 years. Prior to her career at the Port Authority, she worked as a consultant and as a senior administrator in the U.S. Department of Transportation. She is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, and the Transportation Research and Marine boards of the National Academy of Sciences and served as chair in 1995-1996. She currently serves on the Board of Advisors to the Panama Canal Authority, and the Eno Transportation Foundation Board of Directors. She has been active in industry associations, and served as chair of the American Association of Port Authorities in 1998.

Dr. James M. Coleman

Dr. James Coleman is the Boyd Professor for the Coastal Studies Institute of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College. Dr. Coleman is a former chairman of the Marine Board, and is presently a member of the Ocean Studies Board of the National Academy of Sciences. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering and Russian Academy of Natural Sciences. His research interests include coastal and marine processes and coastal management. He has received many awards in his nearly 40-year scientific career, including the Kapitsa Medal of Honor for his contributions to the field of Petroleum Sciences.

Ms. Ann D'Amato

Ann D'Amato is the Chief of Staff to newly elected City Attorney of Los Angeles, Rocky Delgadillo. Ms. D'Amato most recently served as deputy mayor responsible for community and government affairs for former Mayor Richard J. Riordan, overseeing his legislative initiatives in the city, the state, and in Washington, D.C. She was also responsible for community affairs, constituent services, volunteer programs, protocol, and public affairs functions. In that capacity, she directed the mayor's neighborhood programs. Prior to joining the Riordan Administration in 1993, she served as a City Council deputy. Ms. D'Amato's family has been involved in commercial fishing in California for three generations. She is a graduate of the University of Redlands, and holds a bachelor of science degree in business and management. She and her husband reside in the Harbor area and have one son, Philip, a recent graduate of the University of Southern California.

Mr. Lawrence R. Dickerson

Lawrence R. Dickerson is the President & Chief Operating Officer and a director of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc., a leading deepwater drilling contractor that owns and operates 45 offshore rigs consisting of 30 semisubmersibles, 14 jack-ups and one drillship. This Houston-based company operates in the waters of six of the world's seven continents, and includes extensive in-house engineering expertise. Mr. Dickerson is currently secretary/treasurer and a director of the International Association of Drilling Contractors, a director and member of the Executive Committee of the National Ocean Industries Association, and is on the Ocean Research Advisory Panel of the National Ocean Partnership Program.

Vice Admiral Paul G. Gaffney II, U.S. Navy

Vice Admiral Paul G. Gaffney II is the President of the National Defense University in Washington, D.C. He was the Chief of Naval Research from 1996 to 2000. He is the senior uniformed oceanography specialist in the Navy, having served as Commander of the Navy Meteorology and Oceanography Command from 1994 to 1997. He has been the Naval Research Laboratory commander, and worked in a number of other science and oceanography administration assignments. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1968. He has a master's degree in Mechanical Engineering (Ocean) from Catholic University and an MBA from Jacksonville University.

Professor Marc J. Hershman

Marc J. Hershman is a professor, attorney, and the director of the School of Marine Affairs at the University of Washington. He leads faculty and students engaged in teaching and research on global climate change, integrated coastal zone management, ports and transportation, living marine resource management, marine protected areas, and other ocean issues. Professor Hershman has more than 30 years experience in the study of ocean and coastal policy. In 1972, he founded the Coastal Management Journal and continues to serve as its editor-in-chief. He has served as president of The Coastal Society, is a co-founder of the Marine Affairs and Policy Association, and is an active member of the Ocean Governance Study Group.

Mr. Paul L. Kelly

Paul.L. Kelly is Senior Vice President of Rowan Companies, a global provider of offshore contract drilling and helicopter services. He recently received a Public Service Commendation from the U.S. Coast Guard after seven years of service on the National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee. He was named the 2000 Contractor of the Year by the International Association of Drilling Contractors. Mr. Kelly represents the oil service and supply industry on the Department of the Interior's Outer Continental Shelf Policy Committee, serving as chairman from 1994 to 1996. He has written widely on energy policy and is a member of the editorial board of World Oil.

Mr. Christopher Koch

Christopher L. Koch is president and chief executive officer of the World Shipping Council, a trade association composed of the international liner shipping companies serving the United States import and export trades that is interested in government policies that affect ocean commerce and the marine environment. Mr. Koch served as senior vice president and general counsel for Sea-Land Service, Inc, and was a senior executive at CSX. From 1990 to 1993, he served as chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission as an appointee of President George Bush. He came to the FMC after a decade of working in the United States Senate, where he held positions as counsel to the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee and the National Ocean Policy Study, and chief of staff to senators Slade Gorton and John McCain.

Dr. Frank Muller-Karger

Dr. Frank Muller-Karger is a professor in the College of Marine Science at the University of South Florida. His primary interests are science education and oceanographic research of coastal zones, continental margins, and the contributions of the marine environment to the global carbon cycle. His research utilizes observational time series, satellite data, high-speed computing, and other new technologies to measure large-scale oceanographic phenomena. Dr. Muller-Karger has received the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory Award for Outstanding Contributions, the NASA Administrator Award for Exceptional Contribution and Service for his work in supporting development of satellite technologies for ocean observation, and other honors. He has degrees in marine science and management and is author or co-author of more than 70 scientific publications.

Mr. Edward B. Rasmuson

Edward Rasmuson is businessman and philanthropist who has been involved in the fishing industry as a banker for more than 35 years. His family has been involved in development in Alaska for three generations, since his grandfather began running what later became the National Bank of Alaska. Mr. Rasmuson became president and chief executive of the bank in 1975, and chairman in 1985. He is also the president of the Rasmuson Foundation, which supports non-profit institutions in Alaska that provide a unique public service, thereby ensuring that basic human needs are met and that the quality of life for all Alaskans is enhanced. In addition to his business and philanthropic interests, Mr. Rasmuson is an ardent supporter of education and has served on many boards, foundations, and commissions, including serving for 14 years on the Board of Regents for the University of Alaska.

Dr. Andrew A. Rosenberg

Andrew Rosenberg is Dean of the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture at the University of New Hampshire. Prior to assuming that position in June of 2000, he was the Deputy Director of the National Marine Fisheries Service in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. He was the Northeast Regional Administrator for NOAA's fisheries service for four years. He has served as U.S representative to international organizations including the Food and Agriculture Organization of the U.N. and the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization. His expertise in marine biology and living marine resource conservation has earned him recognition from such diverse organizations as the U.S. Coast Guard and the World Wildlife Fund.

Mr. William D. Ruckelshaus

William Doyle Ruckelshaus is a Strategic Director of the Madrona Venture Group, Chairman of the Board of the World Resources Institute, and former Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Browning-Ferris Industries, Inc. Mr. Ruckelshaus served as the first administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency from 1970 to 1973. At the request of President Ronald Reagan, he returned to EPA and served as its administrator from 1983 until 1985. Mr. Ruckelshaus has held a variety of positions in the public and private sectors, including acting director of the FBI and deputy attorney general of the U.S. Department of Justice. He has served on the boards of directors of several major corporations. He served as special envoy for the Pacific Salmon Treaty, was a member of the President's Council for Sustainable Development from 1993 until 1997, and currently serves as chairman of the State of Washington's Salmon Recovery Funding Board.

Dr. Paul A. Sandifer

Dr. Paul Sandifer is the Director of the South Carolina Department of

Natural Resources (SCDNR). He started with the agency in 1972 and spent the first 25 years at the Marine Resources Center in Charleston, serving as Assistant, Associate, Senior Marine Scientist, and Assistant Director of the Marine Resources Research Institute. In 1984, he was named Director of the Marine Resources Division, and became Director of the SCDNR on July 1, 1997. While at the Marine Resources Division, he was responsible for development of the agency's aquaculture research and development program and establishment of the James M. Waddell, Jr. Mariculture Research and Development Center. Dr. Sandifer is a Past President and Honorary Life Member of the World Aquaculture Society, and a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He is author or co-author of over 120 scientific and technical publications in the fields of marine biology, aquaculture, and coastal ecology.

Admiral James D. Watkins, U.S. Navy (retired)

Admiral James D. Watkins recently retired as the President of the Consortium for Oceanographic Research and Education (CORE), an organization of more than 60 U.S. marine research institutions. Admiral Watkins' naval career began at the United States Naval Academy and culminated in attaining the Navy's highest uniformed office, Chief of Naval Operations, capping a distinguished career that spanned nearly four decades. In 1989, President George Bush appointed him the sixth Secretary of Energy. Prior to this appointment, he chaired the Presidential Commission on the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV/AIDS) epidemic. In 1993, Admiral Watkins became President of the Joint Oceanographic Institutions (JOI) where he established CORE.