MEMORANDUM

TO:

Council and AP Members

FROM:

Chris Oliver for

Executive Director

DATE:

January 29, 2009

SUBJECT:

Comprehensive economic data collection

ACTION REQUIRED

Report from the workgroup on comprehensive economic data collection

BACKGROUND

At its October 2006 meeting, the Council requested staff of the Alaska Fisheries Science Center to coordinate a workgroup of social and economic analysts and researchers from the NMFS, ADF&G, and Council staff to develop a comprehensive economic data collection program and survey formats supporting that collection. Since that time, the Council has received periodic reports from that workgroup describing its progress in development of the program. The workgroup is scheduled to meet again on Monday, February 2nd. An agenda for that meeting is attached (see <u>Item D-2(a)</u>). Staff will update the Council on the workgroup's progress.

ESTIMATED TIME 8 HOURS (All D-2 Items)

AGENDA

Comprehensive Data Collection Committee
Monday, February 2, 2009
5pm
Location – Renaissance Marriott Hotel, Seattle, WA
Northwest Room, 3rd floor (AP room)

- I. Review minutes from previous meeting
- II. Review agenda & discuss meeting purpose and objectives
- III. Review other data collection initiatives

ADFG crew data collection initiative

Review status of Fishery Crew Member Information System project initiated by ADFG.

Crab EDR

Status of the crab EDR data review by Pacific Northwest Crab Industry Advisory Committee (PNCIAC). Reliability of the crab EDR data, and lessons for future data collection efforts.

Amendment 80 data collection

IV. Review the socioeconomic data collection tables

The tables summarize currently existing data sources and their strengths and weaknesses, and data needs identified by the economic and community sub-groups. For purposes of the discussion, the tables are grouped into 3 categories:

Crew data (Tables 1 and 2)

- (1) Discuss role of the committee in crew data collection efforts.
- (2) Make initial decisions about the priorities for data collection.

Economic (cost and revenues) data (Tables 3, 4, and 5)

- (1) Discuss role of the committee in current/future economic data collection efforts.
- (2) Improvements to existing data sources (COAR, CFEC gross earnings).
- (3) Make initial decisions about the priorities for data collection.

Community and demographic data (Tables 6, 7, 8, and 9)

- (1) Discuss committee goal(s):
 - a) potential improvements to existing data sources
 - b) mechanisms to collect data that are not currently available
- (2) Potential staff/agency roles in meeting data collection goals.
- (3) Make initial decisions about the priorities for data collection.

V. Future direction of the committee