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TO:

Barbara McLaughlin, Chief

Procurement and Grants Management Branch - AD111
PRobert W. Schoning, Director

National Marine Fisheries Service

SUBJECT: North Pacific RFMC, FY77 Programmatic Grant Request

We have reviewed the Morth Pacific Council's request for \$316,000 of FY 1977 Programmatic Funds and request, a grant be processed to partially fund the council's programs. The original SF-424, which you have in your office, is composed of the following elements:

\$ 44,500	Salmon contract
60,000	Observer program contract
197,600	ADP information system contract
13,900	Internal council programmatic costs
\$316,000	Total

We endorse the intent of the entire request by the council, but foresee some difficulties which might arise from the ADP contract (\$197,600) with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G). The problem basically stems from a legal question concerning confidentiality of information.

We are, therefore delaying approvaloof the ADF contract with the ADF&G, but recommend the remainder of the request be processed for a total FY77 programmatic grant award under this SF-424 of \$118,400. It is requested that this grant be issued not later than September 30, 1977, so that the funds may be made available through the Director's office from the council's FY77 programmatic allowance. Please use organization code FA0000 and task / number 88F3NPEJ.

cc: F Fx5 (Rand, Vose) NPRFMC

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