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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**  
**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**  
*National Marine Fisheries Service*  
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Mr. David Witherell, Executive Director  
North Pacific Fishery Management Council  
1007 West Third, Suite 400  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Mr. Witherell:

We have approved amendment 113 to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (GOA FMP); Central Gulf of Alaska Rockfish Program Adjustments (RIN 0648-BM69). This amendment would change the season start date from May 1 to April 1, eliminate the catcher vessel (CV) cooperative holding cap of 30 percent, increase the processing cap to 40 percent of the CV quota share pool (for sablefish, Pacific cod, and/or other primary rockfish), and revise the CV aggregated primary rockfish (Pacific Ocean perch (POP), dusky rockfish, and northern rockfish) harvesting cap by capping only POP harvest at 8 percent of the CV POP share pool.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Kurland  
Regional Administrator

