

## **GOVERNOR MIKE DUNLEAVY**

December 3, 2018

Simon Kinneen, Chair North Pacific Fishery Management Council 605 West 4th, Suite 306 Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2252

Dear Mr. Kinneen:

Please be advised that pursuant to the North Pacific Fishery Management Council's Statement of Organization, Practices, and Procedures Section 2.2(3) I have appointed Doug Vincent-Lang as the new principal state official replacing Sam Cotten.

Mr. Vincent-Lang is the Acting Commissioner of the Department of Fish & Game ("ADFG") and his salary is paid in full by the State of Alaska. Acting Commissioner Vincent-Lang has extensive experience in wildlife and fisheries management. He has 34 years of experience with natural resource management in Alaska, including over 28 years of experience with the ADFG. During his time with the ADFG, Acting Commissioner Vincent-Lang served as fisheries research and management biologist, Assistant Director, Director of the Division of Wildlife Conservation, and Special Assistant to the Commissioner.

During his career, Acting Commissioner Vincent-Lang has served as lead in the ADFG in developing a strategy to address climate change, and he served as the State's ESA policy lead. He led the research effort on the Wild Rainbow Trout Management Plan and Sustainable Fishery Policy, the Kenai River Riparian Habitat Management Plan, and the Shark Management Plan.

Sincerely,

Mike Dunleavy

Governor

State of Alaska

cc: Shannon Gleason, Administrative Officer David Witherell, Executive Director Diana Evans, Deputy Director