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August 11, 1978

Mr. Jim Branson, Executive Director  
North Pacific Fishery Management Council  
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Dear Jim:

Attached is the July-August report of progress for preparation  
of the Bering Sea Shrimp Management Plan.

Respectfully,

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Paul Anderson, NMFS, Kodiak  
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Progress Report concerning Preparation  
of the  
North Pacific Fisheries Management Council Management Plan  
for  
Bering Sea Shrimp Resources

July-August

Various preparations for the first draft of the Bering Sea Shrimp Management Plan (BSSMP) were completed during the past four weeks. Drafting assignments were determined (see attached) and most of the Advisory Panel participants were contacted and consulted regarding their suggestions for the plan's direction, rationale and goals.

Other BSSMP-related activities for mid-July to mid-August included: completion of a 30-day assessment of pandalid shrimp resources in the Bering Sea from the Pribilof Islands northward to St. Matthew Island; accuracy verification for the collected survey data; and preliminary estimates of standing shrimp biomass for the survey region. Paul Anderson, staff member at the NMFS Kodiak Facility and leader of the assessment survey, was requested to be a participating member of our plan drafting team. Mr. Anderson will present a brief report on results of the 1978 shrimp resource assessment survey at the August Council meeting.

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Mr. Henry O. Wendler, Assistant Director  
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Dear Mr. Wendler:

Mr. Jim Branson has suggested that members of the Bering Sea Shrimp Management Plan drafting committee meet with interested members of the Council's shrimp plan steering committee and advisory panel prior to the August 24-25 Council session. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the shrimp plan objectives and goals and solicit input from steering committee/advisory panel members.

Jim has arranged for either the Council chambers or an adjacent room in the Captain Cook Hotel to be available at 7:30 p.m., August 23. Although I cannot attend this meeting, all other drafting team members will be present.

Respectfully,

Robert J. Wolotira  
Leader, Bering Sea Shrimp Management  
Plan Drafting Team

cc:

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General Assignments for Drafting of Management  
Plan for Bering Sea Shrimp

| <u>Section</u> | <u>Title</u>  | <u>Author</u>           |
|----------------|---|-------------------------|
| 5              | Description of Fishery  | NMFS staff              |
| 6              | History of Management   | ADF&G staff             |
| 7              | History of Research   | NMFS                    |
| 8              | Socio-economic Characteristics...                                       | ADF&G and other sources |
| 9.1            | Life History Features   | McCrary/Anderson        |
| 9.2            | Stock Units   | Wolotira                |
| 9.3            | Catch and Effort Data Sources   | Anderson                |
| 9.4            | Biological Data Sources   | Anderson                |
| 9.5            | Other   | Wolotira                |
| 9.6            | Ecological Relationships  | Pat Holmes              |
| 9.7            | Quality of Data   | Wolotira                |
| 9.8            | Current Status of Stocks  | NMFS/ADF&G              |
| 9.9            | Estimate of Future Stock Conditions                                     | Wolotira                |
| 10             | Catch and Capacity Descriptions   | ADF&G                   |
| 11             | Optimum Yield Determination   | NMFS/ADF&G              |
| 12             | Total Allowable Level of Foreign<br>Fishing                             | NMFS                    |
| 13             | Proposed Management Regions   | ADF&G                   |
| 14             | Specifications and Sources of<br>Permanent Fisheries Data               | McCrary/Anderson        |
| 15             | Relationship of Recommended Measures<br>to Applicable Laws and Policies | McCrary                 |