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Action Memo

File Number: Crab 14-018

Agenda Date 10/6/2014

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John Henderschedt, Acting Chairman Chris Oliver, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

BSAI Crab SAFE Report - Set ABC/OFL for 7 stocks; Plan Team report

ESTIMATED TIME:

4 Hours

ACTION REQUIRED:

Approve catch specifications/approve BSAI Crab SAFE Report

BACKGROUND:

The Crab Plan Team met September 15-18 to review draft BSAI Crab stock assessments and provide recommendations for OFL and ABC for 7 of the 10 stocks. There are 10 crab stocks in the BSAI Crab FMP and all 10 must have annually established OFLs. Three stocks (AI golden king crab, Norton Sound red king crab and Adak red king crab) had OFLs and ABCs recommended previously in the 2014 cycle. The remaining stocks will have OFLs and ABCs recommended at this meeting. The stock assessments for these stocks were mailed to the SSC and copies are available at the meeting as needed. The Introduction to the Crab SAFE containing the CPT recommended OFLs and ABCs is attached. The CPT Report containing additional recommendations and minutes from the September CPT meeting is attached.