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Mr. David Witherell, Executive Director
North Pacific Fisheries Management Council
1007 West Third, Suite 400
Anchorage, AK 99501

RE: Support for Appointment of Tim Heuker to the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council's Advisory Panel

Dear Mr. Witherell:

I am writing on behalf of the KBO Crab Cooperative in an effort to provide support for the appointment of Tim Heuker to the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council's Advisory Panel. KBO Crab Cooperative is a cooperative voting district within the BSAI Crab Rationalization Program.

We believe Tim is extremely well qualified to represent Oregon stakeholders on the Advisory Panel. Tim comes from a multigenerational commercial fishing family and is a lifelong fisherman in his own right. He participates in numerous fisheries in the waters of both Alaska and Oregon, including BSAI crab and BSAI Pacific cod. Additionally, Tim has experience in serving in a similar capacity as a Columbia River Advisory Panel member for the past 5 years and President of The Bering Sea Crab Co-op.

We believe Tim is the best candidate for this position given the current issues at hand for fixed gear fishermen in both the BSAI Crab Rationalization Program and BSAI Pcod Pot CV sectors. His extensive experience will allow him to bring a fair and balanced perspective to the Advisory Panel. We appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,



Craig Lowenberg
Executive Director

Cc: Mr. Steve Marx, Oregon Representative, NPFMC
Mr. Simon Kinneen, Chairman, NPFMC