March 1, 2013

Mr. Karl Johnstone, Chairman Alaska Board of Fisheries c/o Alaska Department of Fish and Game P.O. Box 115526 Juneau, AK 99811-5526

Dear Chairman Johnstone:

The City of Cordova would like to invite the Alaska Board of Fisheries (BOF) to conduct its December 2014 Prince William Sound meeting in Cordova.

Cordova has a long history of successfully hosting BOF meetings and anticipates that our new Cordova Center facility will be operational in time for the December 2014 meeting. In the event the Center is not complete by the required time, we want to assure the Board that our back-up venue, Mt. Eccles Elementary School, is both suitable and available.

Since our last BOF meeting in 2008, Cordova has completed renovations and expansion of Mt. Eccles Elementary School and it is now an excellent facility for activities such as a BOF meeting. Our new gymnasium/auditorium was designed for multiple uses including large public meetings. It offers a capacity of 450 persons is fully ADA compliant, has excellent acoustics and sound system, fiber-optic supported wired and wireless networking and additional rooms for committee meetings and public gatherings.

As you recall, Cordova continues to be easily accessible and is served by Alaska Airlines, both north and south bound, as well as semi-daily ERA flights in the morning and evening. In addition, our fast ferry the M/V Chenega provides multiple trips each week to Whittier and Valdez and the south-central road system.

Cordova's combination of hotels, lodges and B&B's continues to expand and is of ample capacity for the expected influx of visitors and participants associated with a BOF meeting. With some advanced planning, we can also ensure that sufficient dining and entertainment are available during the meeting. Boards Support has been coordinating these requirements with the City and additional information will be provided as requested.

AS 16.05.300(b)(4) directs the BOF to hold regular meetings within PWS so as to provide better stakeholder access to the Board process as well as an opportunity for Board members to better acquaint themselves with the dependent communities and their

fisheries. Cordova offers the ideal combination of facilities, accommodations and hospitality to achieve these important goals.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

James Kallander, Mayor

City of Cordova

Cc: Monica Wellard, Executive Director, BOF

Cora Campbell, Commissioner, ADF&G

Theresa Keel, Superintendent, Cordova School District