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Mr. Karl Johnstone
Alaska Board of Fisheries
PO Box 115526
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Dear Chairman Johnstone,

We write today to reiterate the City of Cordova's invitation to host the Alaska Board of Fisheries' December 2014 Prince William Sound meeting in Cordova.

Cordova District Fishermen United, as one the Alaska's longest standing fisherman's organizations, represents over 800 fishers and their families in the Prince William Sound Region.

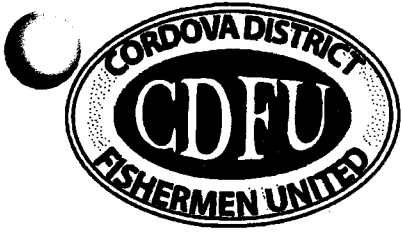
Our organization has a long history of constructive communication with the Board of Fisheries. Further, the City of Cordova has a long history of hosting BOF meetings and anticipates that our new Cordova Center facility will be up and running for the December 2014 meeting. In the event that the Cordova Center is not completed, we assure the board that our newly renovated Mount Eccles Elementary School is fully suitable and definitely available as a back-up venue.

Since hosting the 2008 BOF meeting, we have completed renovations and expansion of Mount Eccles Elementary School making it a top-notch venue for events such as the BOF meeting. Our new auditorium was designed as a multi-use facility seating 450 persons and possessing excellent acoustics, sound system, fiber-optic supported networking, and additional rooms for committee meeting and other gatherings.

Cordova is easily accessed daily by Alaska Airlines, Era Aviation, and the Alaska Marine Highway's fast ferry Chenega. Cordova's ever-expanding combination of hotels, lodges, B&Bs, restaurants, and catering services provides ample support to accommodate the kind of influx of visitors associated with events such as a BOF meeting.

Finally, AS 16.05.300(b)(4) directs the BOF to hold regular meetings within the Prince William Sound area in order to provide stakeholder access to the Board process and to allow Board member familiarity with fishery dependent communities. Cordova meets all of the aforementioned requirements and looks forward to hosting the December 2014 BOF meeting.

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Sincere thanks for your consideration.

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