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To whom it may concern,

At the request of several Trident fishermen, I am writing to confirm Trident Seafoods interest in increasing the herring quota available for the Dutch Harbor food and bait fishery. It's our understanding additional fish could potentially be available if the roe-on-kelp fishery does not fully use the Togiak allocation. Trident has a history of buying herring from the local seine fleet to produce bait herring and more recently to develop a food grade product as well. Obtaining herring of food quality is critical to support our efforts to further develop this market and a larger quota will help in that regard. We hope the Board can give serious consideration to Proposal #10 at the current meeting in Naknek.

Respectfully,

Dave Benson
