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2016 CHIGNIK COMMERCIAL SALMON TEST FISHERY REQUEST FOR QUOTE

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game is soliciting bids to generate \$48,000 to support management operations in the Chignik Management Area. Bidding for this test fishery will be based on a percentage of the dock value, not to exceed 50%. The contract will be awarded to the bidder with the lowest percentage of the total value of the catch. A minimum of \$2,000 per fishing day is guaranteed to the awarded bidder upon completion of test fishery obligations. Vessel operators must have a minimum of five years' commercial fishing experience within the Chignik Management Area and the vessel must contain a refrigerated seawater (RSW) system to chill the catch. Legal seine gear for the area is required, as is vessel compliance with U.S. Coast Guard safety regulations and insurance requirements.

Completed Request for Quotes (RFQ) for this test fishery must be received at the Chignik or Kodiak Fish and Game offices prior to 6:00 p.m., June 3, 2016. In the case of equal, low bids, the successful contractor will be randomly picked by a neutral third party.

The successful bidder will be responsible for the following:

- 1. A commercial salmon fishing vessel capable of fishing in weather and conditions common to the Chignik Management Area.
- 2. All personal and fishing related expenses including fuel, crew, food and living arrangements.

If you are interested in acquiring an RFQ bid packet or would like further information, please contact Dawn Wilburn at 907-845-2243 or dawn.wilburn@alaska.gov.