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To Whom it May Concern,

I've been commercial fishing since 1981. I've fished Shrimp, Crab, Halibut, Trolled and Gillnet. I am now addressing you as a Gillnetter in the Wrangell area. I have donated time working with the crab fleet in the Anita Bay area and it takes a lot of work to make this terminal area work. The Seine fleet were no help. But they were there to get their share, that's fine.

I've watched the Gillnet fleet grow with a lot of young kids with families. I am 58 years old there is no competing with these kids, that's fine.

The Seine fleet belongs in the back of the terminal areas. Let them fight it out where they won't intercept other species like King Salmon and Sockeye. They catch everything. So until there's a big Humpy year, let them fish in back. But if they want to fish in the back, then they need to give up some area in front. I think the Seine area from Kindergarten to the Bend is a perfect area to open up to the Gillnetters if they want to take Anita Bay terminal area. It doesn't get fished unless we have a good Humpy year, so until that happens, Gillnetters fish it.

I watched the Gillnet fleet around Wrangell grow with the area and time we've been getting, that's a good thing. I think in all areas this is true. This fisheries is changing, when there's Humpies the Seinners get lots of fishing time and they spread out and they're fine. If there's no Humpies then they are stuck in small areas in terminal areas on cost recovery which they do a good job. So they don't bother other wild fish.

The Trollers are behind too. I say to them you have access to the fish we can't make them bite. Just be careful on the effect on our future stocks. That is the big question. What's the effect on our fisheries, or having our wild stocks. Everybody has to come clean on the amount of small

fish we are killing. Seiners want more time in Anita Bay, let them have it, that's where they belong it's less effect on wild stocks.

If Area 6 is open to Gillnetter it's basically 50% of Clarence Straight. If it blows 25 Southeast half the area doesn't get fished. Kindergarten to the Bend is a Seine area that never gets opened until there's a lot of Humpies. The Seine fleet would not be losing any fishing time in this area and it can go back to Seine area when it's a good Humpy year. But if it were open to the Gillnet fleet it would be fishable area in times of a southeast blow because it's in the lei of the weather. This would be a good trade for lost fishing time in Anita Bay. The Gillnet fleet has gotten used to fishing 5 to 6 days a week if we have to give up grounds there should be grounds open for the Gillnet fleet to be compensated.

I have also witnessed one Seiner go back to Anita Bay and make one \$100,000 scoop. What about that? You can't make people fish there. Look at the average Gillnetter fishing there daily. This Anita Area has given up more time than any other area we are one to one with the Seine fleet. Where's the love. Maybe Nakat, take fishing time from there 7 days a week fisheries.

Thank you for your consideration,



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