



January 8, 2015

Glenn Haight, Executive Director
Alaska Board of Fisheries

Re: Alaska Department of Fish & Game Nomination Selection

Mr. Haight,

I am pleased to submit this comment on behalf of myself and the Aleut Corporation in strong support of Acting Commissioner Sam Cotten as candidate for Commissioner of Alaska Department of Fish & Game. Sam has proven himself a good steward of our State's fish and game resources, and an ally of the communities that depend on those resources.

Each of our communities are involved in the commercial harvesting, processing and/or shipping of quality seafood. Sam has direct experience with many fishery issues and understands how to work directly with small coastal communities dependent on commercial fishing. He maintains an excellent working relationship with fisherman, processors and appreciates the importance of fishing to the local economies in the Aleutians.

Sam's background includes two terms on the North Pacific Fishery Management Council, a former Alaskan legislator and Speaker of the House. Sam has the right experience, ability and passion for the job. Please consider nominating lifelong Alaskan Sam Cotten for consideration by Governor Walker for ADFG Commissioner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas Mack".

Thomas Mack, President
Aleut Corporation