ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY REGARDING NONCOMMERCIAL KING, TANNER, AND DUNGENESS CRAB, AND SHRIMP POTS IN THE COOK INLET AREA.

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In accordance with AS 16.05.270, the Alaska Board of Fisheries delegates to the commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game the authority to adopt and make permanent changes to the following regulations:

Regulations in 5 AAC 58, 5 AAC 75, and 5 AAC 77 and any other appropriate regulations to require harvest reporting forms, permit requirements, establish pot limits, require escape rings in pots, and prohibit floating lines on pots, and other appropriate changes in regulations for king, Tanner, and Dungeness crab sport and personal use fisheries in the Cook Inlet Area, and define a shrimp pot.

Dungeness crab and shrimp proposals are not scheduled for consideration until the 1996/97 board cycle. The board only had king and Tanner crab fisheries before it at this time. The board finds that it is necessary to delegate to the commissioner the authority to notice these changes for review by the public, and to adopt changes in all the respective fisheries at the same time to facilitate regulations for all the noncommercial fisheries at one time.

The board also delegates authority to the commissioner to make necessary administrative changes to any appropriate regulations, if the changes in regulations under this delegation create any conflicts with existing regulations.

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Homer, Alaska

Larry J. Engel, Chairman

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