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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Cliff Judkins, Chairman
Alaska Board of Game
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Dear Chairman Judkins:

I am writing to express my apology for not appearing before you to explain my decision selecting the No Action Alternative as the final decision for predator control on Unimak Island. I very much respect the Board of Game and the vital role you play in the conservation of wildlife in the state of Alaska. I recognize the decision on Unimak as a very critical decision and not one that I took lightly.

As I hope you are aware I have asked Larry Bell to serve not only as the Fish and Wildlife Service liaison and spokesperson to the Board of Game but as my personal representative when he attends the Board of Game meetings. However I understand that you want to hear from me personally on Unimak Island so I would be willing and am available to meet with the Board during your March 26 to 30 meeting. I would be happy to provide any information the board requests and respond to questions. Please let me know if there is a particular time during the meeting that you would like me to attend and I will be there.

I look forward to hearing from you and to meeting you later this month. Contact me at 907-786-3542 if you have questions or to arrange a meeting time.

Sincerely,

Geoffrey L. Haskett
Regional Director