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Alaska Board of Fisheries Marit Carlson-Van Dort, Chair Via email dfg.bof.comments@alaska.gov

RE: Nushagak River King Salmon Action Plan

Chair Carlson-Van Dort and Board Members:

On behalf of Trident Seafoods, I thank you for the opportunity to submit an RC regarding the Nushagak River King Salmon Action Plan. We recognize the significance of, and need for, the October Board action, which designated Nushagak River Kings as a stock of management concern. Given the impacts that the decision will have on stakeholders, we also understand the need for a responsive and thoughtful Action Plan on which all stakeholders have a reasonable opportunity to comment.

Because Action Plan was not released until after the public comment period and during a Holiday weekend, we respectfully ask the Board to delay the Nushagak King Salmon Action Plan item until the March 10-13 meeting so that stakeholders have adequate opportunity to review and comment on the proposed changes.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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