

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Jane Gendron
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Re: Ket

Re: Ketchikan Transfer Facilities Phase III

Dear Ms. Gendron,

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has reviewed the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) Assessment for this project. The EFH Assessment incorporates all of NMFS' earlier recommendations for minimizing impacts that may be associated with this project. NMFS has no further comments at this time.

Please contact Katharine Miller at (907) 586-7643 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Mecum

Acting Administrator, Alaska Region

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