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NOAA Protected Resources Attn; Mike Williams, Juan Gurrero

Aang (Greetings):

Thanks for the opportunity to meet with you guys regarding the proposed changes to the current harvest regulations. I am looking forward to having our changes in place as quick as you can expedite.

I have thought about your request to break out our proposed regulation change incrementally starting with the ability to harvest young of the year first. I am going to agree with this hesitantly, I fear that the rest of our traditional harvest requests with fall to the wayside. I sincerely hope my fears are not realized and we continue to work to get regulations in place that fit my community's needs and harvest patterns.

In the future I would like to be kept in the loop as to where you are on the filing of proposed rule change in Federal Register, when it would be ready for our review and anything concerning matter. I was until our Anchorage meeting over a month ago under the impression that it was smooth sailing for our proposed regulation changes, until I heard that it did not make out of the office yet. I understand it is tedious and time consuming so I am in no way admonishing, I just would have liked to have been better informed.

So with this letter I am authorizing the pursuit of our regulation change to be done incrementally starting with young of the year harvests first. From there I would like to see us moving ahead with fall harvests and hunting of young of the year thru sub-adults per our harvest plan(s) submitted..

Qa}aalaku{... Thanks,

Amos Philemonoff, President