



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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Notice to Customers Making Payment by Check

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), Alaska Region, will implement an electronic funds transfer process for checks, starting October 1, 2010. After that date, when presented a check, NMFS will use information from the check to make a one-time electronic funds transfer to complete the payment.

When NMFS uses electronic funds transfer, funds may be transferred from the account as early as the same day the check is received.

If the electronic fund transfer cannot be completed due to insufficient funds, NMFS may impose a one-time fee of \$25.00 against the account. This fee will also be collected through electronic fund transfer.

Payments may be made by electronic check through the NMFS secure, on-line system at <http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/webapps/ifqaccounts/Login>. To use this feature, permit holders may enter the IFQ permit number and PIN combinations, following the directions on the site, to complete the payment. On-line payments are processed through *Pay.gov*, a secure system for electronic payments used by many government agencies.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Troie Zuniga, Fee Coordinator, at 1-800-304-4846, Option #5.

Privacy Act – A Privacy Act Statement required by 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3) stating our authority for soliciting and collecting the information from your check, and explaining the purposes and routine uses which will be made of your check information, is available from our internet site at <https://www.pccotc.gov/pccotc/index.htm>, or call toll free at 1(866)945-7920 Option 4 to obtain a copy by mail. Furnishing the check information is voluntary, but a decision not to do so may require you to make payment by some other method.