March 2010

Dear Registered Crab Receiver:

Federal regulation at 50 CFR 680.5(g) require that all persons holding a Registered Crab Receiver (RCR) permit who purchased crab in the crab rationalization program (CR crab) submit an annual "Ex-vessel Volume and Value Report" detailing the amount and total value (whether in dollars, goods and services, and including "retro" and bonus payments) of CR crab purchased: by month, port, fishery, species, and CR program type (Adak, CDQ, or IFQ). You must submit a report for each RCR permit for which you reported landings of crab not processed at sea. Do not include any crab you purchased that was processed at sea. This report replaces use of prices reported at time of landing as the basis for our cost recovery fee liability estimates.

Your annual report is due May 15, 2010 for the current crab fishing year. You may submit data all at once, or in increments at any time prior to close of business May 15. This report **must be completed on-line using a form accessible on our website** (below) after logging in with the RCR's NMFS ID and password.

Access to all online services, including reporting systems and account and landings data and this new Ex-vessel Volume and Value Report data entry form, is available from the main NOAA Fisheries, Alaska Region main web address: <u>http://alaskafisheries.noaa.gov</u>.

For questions about this new cost recovery report contact RAM by telephone at (800) 304-4846 (opt 2) or (907) 586-7202 (opt 2), by fax at (907) 586-7354, or by email at **ram.alaska@noaa.gov.**

Sincerely,

Tracy Buck Acting Program Administrator Restricted Access Management jag: 12/19/08 rev: 1/7/09: Buck rev: 1/8/09 Bledsoe Revised 1/9/09: gharrett Rev 3.3.09 tb Rev: 3/4/09 jag Rev 2/2/2010

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