North Pacific Fishery Management Council

C-5(b) Western Aleutian Island golden king crab regional delivery exemption MOTION April 10, 2010

The Council adopts Alternative 2, Option 2, with 20% selected in the definitions for quota share, as written below, as its preferred alternative:

Alternative 2: Contractually Defined Exemption

To receive an exemption from the regional landing requirement in the WAG fishery, specified QS holders, PQS holders, and municipalities shall have entered into a contract. The contract parties will annually file an affidavit with NMFS affirming that a master contract has been signed.

Definitions:

QS Holders: Any person or company that holds in excess of 20 percent of the west-designated WAG QS.

PQS Holders: Any person or company that holds in excess of 20 percent of the west-designated WAG POS.

Municipalities: The municipalities of Adak and Atka.

Approval of Exemption:

An exemption to the regional landing requirement will be granted, if the contracting parties have filed an affidavit with NOAA Fisheries affirming that a master contract has been signed. In the affidavit, each of the parties as defined above, or their authorized representative, must signify their approval of the exemption in writing.