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Notification of Confirmed Peer Reviewers Alaska Pollock, Pacific cod, and Flatfish Fisheries

MRAG Americas received no comments on the proposed peer reviewers for the Alaska groundfish fisheries for pollock, Pacific cod, and flatfish in the Gulf of Alaska and Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands, so confirms the peer reviewers as Dr. Susan Hanna and Mr. Tom Jagielo. Peer reviewers must be considered, at a minimum, the peers of the experts comprising the assessment team, and have expertise in one or more of the following: the fishery under assessment, stock assessment issues, relevant ecosystem interactions, and fishery management.

A brief biography of each reviewer is provided below in alphabetical order.

Dr. Susan Hanna. Susan Hanna is professor emeritus of marine economics at Oregon State University. Her research and publications are in the area of marine economics and policy, with an emphasis on fishery management, ecosystem-based fishery management, property rights and institutional design. Dr. Hanna has served as a scientific advisor to the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Marine Fisheries Service, Minerals Management Service, Northwest Power and Conservation Council and the Pacific Fishery Management Council. She served on the Ocean Studies Board of the National Research Council (NRC), National Academy of Sciences, and several NRC Committees, including the Committee to Review Individual Quotas in Fisheries and the Committee on Protection and Management of Pacific Northwest Anadromous Salmonids.

Mr. Tom Jagielo Tom Jagielo has a wide breadth of experience in marine fish science, habitat studies, and oceanography. Tom formed his own firm in 2008 to provide consulting services in quantitative fisheries science. Previously, he served for 24 years with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, and 6 years with the Fisheries Research Institute at the University of Washington in Seattle. As a Senior Research Scientist for Washington, Tom specialized in groundfish stock assessment and survey design, adapting state of the art tools and methods to assess marine fish populations for sustainable fisheries management. He produced numerous stock assessments used by the Pacific Fishery Management Council, including analysis of lingcod, black rockfish, and yelloweye rockfish populations. His early assessment of west coast lingcod identified the stock as overfished, and his rebuilding analysis ultimately resulted in a rebuilt population within the mandated 10 year time frame. His recent consulting projects have included 1) the design and implementation of a novel coastwide aerial survey used for management of west coast Pacific sardine, 2) a methodological review of Annual Catch Limits for the NOAA Fisheries Pacific Islands Regional Office, and 3) various habitat and marine fish science projects for the Environmental Defense Fund, the Alliance of Communities for Sustainable Fisheries, the At Sea Processors Association, and other organizations. Tom has extensive experience working with government agencies, commercial and recreational fisheries groups, Indian tribes, community organizations, and both national and international advisory groups. He received appointments to the Scientific and Statistical Committee of the Pacific Fishery Management Council, the Technical Subcommittee of the US-Canada Groundfish Committee, the Pacific Coast Ocean Observation System, and various other workshop panels and review bodies. Tom has published in peer-reviewed journals and symposium proceedings, presented papers at national and international meetings, and written reports for government agencies. Tom received a B.S. degree in Biology from the Pennsylvania State University, and a M.S. degree in Fisheries from the

University of Washington. He also conducted post M.S. graduate studies in fisheries population dynamics and parameter estimation at the University of Washington.

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