

March 2nd, 2021

Simon Kinneen, Chairman
North Pacific Fishery Management Council
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RE: BSAI Crab Cooperative Reports

Dear Chairman Kinneen:

During the February 2013 meeting the Council passed the following motion:

"The Council requests that each of the BSAI crab rationalization cooperatives voluntarily provide an annual report detailing measures the cooperative is taking to facilitate the transfer of quota share to active participants, including crew members and vessel owners, and available measures which affect high lease rates and crew compensation. The annual reports should convey to the Council the effectiveness of the measures implemented through the cooperatives and the estimated level of member participation in any voluntary measures and include supporting information and data. These reports are requested to be delivered for the October meeting each year."

These reports are on the agenda for the April Council meeting. Following is the 2020-2021 season report on behalf of the Dog Boat Cooperative.

Dog Boat Cooperative is a smaller affiliated crab cooperative with 20 entities representing 3.2% of the Bristol Bay red king crab (BBR) quota share and 5.3% of the Bering Sea opilio (BSS) quota share. Approximately 2% of the BBR quota share and 2.8% of the BSS quota share is held by one member of Dog Boat, a CDQ group. The remainder, approximately 1.2% of BBR quota share and 2.5% of BSS quota share is held by entities that were all initially issued quota share, other than two crew members who purchased quota share after the program began.

Following are Dog Boat Cooperatives answers to the specific questions from the Council's 2013 motion:

1. What measures is the cooperative taking to facilitate the transfer of quota share to active participants, including crew-members and vessel owners? Dog Boat Cooperative is voluntarily adhering to the Right of First Offer approach developed by Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers and implemented by the Inter-Cooperative Exchange (ICE). The definitions and processes followed by Dog Boat Cooperative are similar to those described by the ICE. Please see the ICE report regarding the definitions and processes.

Dog Boat Cooperative members generally qualify as "active" per the ICE definition as a majority of the quota share is held by active vessel owners or active crewmembers. There are clearly several Dog Boat members who are very active in the industry, but are defined as "non-active"

