HALIBUT AND SABLEFISH IFQ PROGRAM
AMENDMENT PROPOSAL
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Brief Statement of Proposal: To allow second generation fisherman who have actively fished for 10 years and own a minimum of 10,000 lbs. of fish to obtain first generation rights.

Objectives of Proposal (What is the problem?): It would allow greater flexibility for owners of second generation fish. Also could be looked at as a reward to those fisherman that have taken a commitment to the fishery and bought IFQ shares.

Need and Justification for Council Action (Why can’t the problem be resolved through other channels?): It’s amendment to the IFQ program.

Foreseeable Impacts of Proposal (Who wins, who loses?): Second generation share holders win. No one loses.

Are there Alternative Solutions? If so, what are they and why do you consider your proposal the best way of solving the problem? Give everyone who owns quota first generation rights regardless of time in the fishery or amount of poundage owned.

Supportive Data and Other Information (What data are available and where can they be found?):

Signature: Michael Offerman