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Processing

Pacific Alaska Shellfish, Nikiski AK
Resurrection Bay, Seward AK
Island Seafood, Kodiak AK
Sea Level Seafoods, Wrangell AK
Pacific Canada, Masset B.C.
Salmon, Federal Way WA
Starfish, Mukilteo WA
Washington Crab, Westport WA
Pacific Cold Storage, Woodland WA
Bandon Pacific Seafood, Charleston OR
Pacific Smoking, Clackamas OR
Pacific Coast Seafoods, Garibaldi OR
Pacific Shrimp, Newport OR
Lisa Seafood, Portland OR
Pacific Choice Seafood, Lureka CA

Aquaculture

Pacific Aquaculture, Meenahem WA
Pacific Oyster, Bay City OR
Pacific Oyster, Coos Bay OR

Distribution

Pacific Seafood of WA, Mukilteo WA
Pacific Seafood of WA, Spokane WA
Pacific Seafood of OR, Clackamas OR
Pacific Fish & Oyster, Portland OR
Pacific Fresh Seafood, Sacramento CA
Pacific Seafood LA, Wilmington CA
Pacific Seafood UT, Salt Lake City UT
Pacific Seafood NV, Las Vegas NV
East Coast Seafood, Phoenix AZ
Seacrest Seafoods, San Antonio TX
Jake's Famous Crawfish & Seafoods, Clackamas OR

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April 30, 2015

Governor Kate Brown
160 State Capitol
900 Court Street
Salem, Oregon 97301-4047

Re: Support for Bruce Buckmaster for Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission

Dear Governor Brown:

I write this afternoon on behalf of Pacific Seafood Group in support of Bruce Buckmaster's appointment to the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission.

Pacific Seafood is proud to be one of the largest job-creators on the Oregon Coast, with nearly 1000 team members in Oregon employed in Astoria/Warrenton, Garibaldi, Bay City, Newport, Coos Bay, Bandon, Charleston, and Brookings, as well as our corporate headquarters in Clackamas.

Our company—and our team members' livelihoods—depend in part on the great work done by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. We believe Bruce Buckmaster is an outstanding selection for the Fish and Wildlife Commission for several reasons:

First, Bruce has extensive business management and finance experience that would help ODFW make the most of a tight budget. In fact, he has already done a great job in serving on the ODFW External Budget Advisory Committee.

Second, Bruce has demonstrated years of commitment to working with all types of interested parties in order to create partnerships and find solutions to tough problems—including working with local, state and federal agencies, sport and commercial fishermen, industry, and the Columbia River Treaty Tribes. He has served on the ODFW Native Fish Task Force, the Federal Pinniped Interaction Task Force, Salmon for All, the Pacific Fishery Management Council, and the Columbia River Maritime Museum. Few other candidates have such vast and diverse experience.

Third, Bruce can see issues from multiple perspectives. He has experience with both sport fishing, as a lifelong fly fisherman, and with commercial fishing, as the former owner of Bio-Oregon in Warrenton. And he has experience with public-

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private synergy: when he was at Bio-Oregon he worked closely with ODFW's hatchery program in his development of a low phosphorous hatchery feed. This experience made him a great asset when he served on the Oregon Hatchery Research Center.

Finally, Bruce is well-respected across the state, and has a proven ability to be a pragmatic problem solver and communicator.

In sum, we think Bruce Buckmaster is a great choice for the Commission, and if there is anything we can do to further support his appointment please do let us know.

Sincerely,

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