

**JUSTIFICATION FOR CHANGE
ALASKA CRAB COST RECOVERY
OMB CONTROL NO. 0648-0570**

This request is to revise the reporting period and due date for Crab Rationalization Program (CR Program) Registered Crab Receiver (RCR) Ex-vessel Volume and Value Reports in conjunction with associated final rule **(RIN 0648-BA61)**.

Amendment 31 to the Fishery Management Plan for Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands King and Tanner Crabs (FMP) would make several changes to regulations governing the acquisition, use, and retention of quota share established for captains and crew, known as crew quota share or C shares, under the CR Program. This action is necessary to ensure that individuals who hold C shares are active in the CR Program fisheries and to ensure that application deadlines provide adequate time to resolve disputes.

This action would implement the following modifications to the annual RCR Ex-vessel Volume and Value Report:

- ◆ Change the reporting period from August 15-April 30 to August 1-May 31
- ◆ Move the deadline for filing the annual RCR Ex-vessel Volume and Value Report from May 15 to May 31.

Respondent burden hours and costs for these modifications would not change.

There were no comments on these information collection requirements in response to the proposed rule. All comments applied to 0648-0514, to be included in a change request for that OMB Control No.