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Subj: Public comment on extension of currently approved information collection for Amendment 80 permits and transfers [*OMB Control Number: 0648–0565*]

Dear Ms. Thomas,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the extension of the currently approved information collection requirements for Amendment 80 permits and transfers (OMB Control Number 0648–0565). Please find below the comments of the Alaska Seafood Cooperative (ASC).

The ASC is comprised of five member companies that operate 14 trawl catcher-processor vessels. Since 2018, all vessels eligible to participate in the Amendment 80 Program have been members of the ASC.

ASC believes the proposed information collection has practical utility and is necessary for the effective administration of the Amendment 80 Program. We find the agency's estimates of the associated time and cost burdens to be reasonable and accurate. However, as noted above, because all eligible Amendment 80 vessels currently participate within a single cooperative, there would be no anticipated need for applications related to the Amendment 80 Limited Access Fishery or inter-cooperative transfers of Amendment 80 cooperative quota.

In addition, allowing applicants to submit forms electronically through eFish or another secure document-sharing platform, such as Kiteworks, could further reduce administrative burden and improve efficiency for both participants and agency staff.

Thank you for considering these comments and for providing the opportunity to participate in this process.

Beth Concepcion, ASC Manager