

THE BERING SEA CRAB COOPERATIVE

A BS/AI crab harvesting cooperative

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (home): _____ (business): _____ (cell): _____

E-mail address: _____ Fax: _____

Applicant's NMFS Person ID Number: _____

Information about QS held by the Applicant (please attach copies of the applicant's QS certificates):

Type of QS	Species	Area	Number of QS Units

Vessel Name: _____ USCG No.: _____ ADF&G No.: _____

To qualify as a Fishermen’s Collective Marketing Act cooperative and take advantage of the range of benefits under the BS/AI crab rationalization regulations, members of the Bering Sea Crab Cooperative cannot be affiliated with PQS or IPQ holders. The following questions are taken from the regulations and help establish whether the applicant is affiliated with a PQS or IPQ holder. Please answer all questions.

- Does the applicant or any shareholder, director, member, partner, manager, etc., of the applicant own any direct or indirect interest in a person who holds PQS, IPQ, or otherwise processes Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands king or tanner crab? **YES** **NO**
- Does any person direct or have the right to direct the applicant’s business activities? **YES** **NO**
- Does any person limit or have the right to limit, in the ordinary course of business, the actions of or replace the applicant’s chief executive officer, a majority of its board of directors, any general partner, or any other person serving in a management capacity? **YES** **NO**
- Does any person direct or have the right to direct the transfer of the applicant’s QS or IFQ? **YES** **NO**
- Does any person restrict or have the right to restrict the applicant’s day-to-day business activities and management policies through loan covenants? **YES** **NO**
- Does any person derive or have the right to derive, either directly or through a minority shareholder or partner, a significantly disproportionate amount of the economic benefit from the applicant’s QS or IFQ? **YES** **NO**
- Does any person control or have the right to control the applicant’s management or be a controlling factor in the applicant’s management? **YES** **NO**
- Does any person cause or have the right to cause the sale of the applicant’s QS or IFQ? **YES** **NO**
- Does any person absorb all of the costs and normal business risks associated with the applicant’s ownership and operation? **YES** **NO**
- Does any person have the ability, through any other means whatsoever, to control the applicant? **YES** **NO**
- Did a PQS or IPQ holder or employee or agent of a PQS or IPQ holder take a leading role in forming or otherwise establishing the applicant? **YES** **NO**
- Does a PQS or IPQ holder have the right to preclude the applicant from engaging in other business activities? **YES** **NO**

- Does the applicant share office space, phones, administrative support, etc., with a PQS or IPQ holder? **YES** **NO**

- Does a PQS or IPQ holder absorb considerable costs and normal business risks associated with the applicant's ownership or operation of its QS or IFQ? **YES** **NO**

- Did a PQS or IPQ holder provide start-up capital for the applicant on less than an arms-length basis? **YES** **NO**

- Does a PQS or IPQ holder have the right to inspect the books and records of the applicant? **YES** **NO**

- Does the applicant use the same law firm, accounting firm, etc., as a PQS or IPQ holder? **YES** **NO**

- Has the applicant entered into any mortgage, long-term or exclusive sales or marketing agreement, unsecured loan agreement, or management agreement with a PQS or IPQ holder? **YES** **NO**

If you answered YES to any of the above, please explain (use additional sheets of paper as needed)

ACCEPTANCE OF THIS APPLICATION AND ADMISSION TO THE COOPERATIVE IS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE COOPERATIVE'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE APPLICANT MAY BECOME A MEMBER OF THE COOPERATIVE ONLY IF (i) IT MEETS THE CRITERIA FOR MEMBERSHIP; (ii) THIS APPLICATION RECEIVES THE APPROVAL OF NOT LESS THAN SEVENTY FIVE PERCENT (75%) OF THE COOPERATIVE'S DIRECTORS; (iii) IT SIGNS AND COMPLIES WITH THE COOPERATIVE'S MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT; (iv) IT PAYS ANY MEMBERSHIP FEES OR DUES LEVIED BY THE COOPERATIVE; and (v) IT MEETS ALL OTHER CONDITIONS TO MEMBERSHIP THAT MAY BE PERSCRIBED BY THE COOPERATIVE'S ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, BYLAWS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OR APPLICABLE LAW. While contributions or gifts to The Bering Sea Crab Cooperative are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes, they may be tax deductible under other provisions of the Internal Revenue Code.

The applicant hereby applies for membership in the Cooperative and agrees to be bound by the Cooperative's articles of incorporation, bylaws, and membership agreement if this application is accepted by the Cooperative. The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that the applicant is the owner of the crab quota shares described above, that all of the answers provided in response to this application are true and correct as of the date made and shall remain true and correct until the Cooperative is otherwise notified in writing, and that the undersigned has the authority to submit this application on behalf of the applicant.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT NAME: _____ POSITION: _____