ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES 90-05-FB DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

In accordance with AS 16.05.270, the Alaska Board of Fisheries delegates to the Commissioner of Fish and Game the authority to adopt and make permanent changes to 5 AAC 39.160 MAXIMUM LENGTH OF SALMON SEINE VESSELS. This delegation is restricted to satisfy the changes the U.S. Coast Guard has made in measuring the "50 feet, official Coast Guard Register Length." The intent is not to eliminate or change the overall 58 feet limit on the salmon seine vessels.

The attached Committee Substitute for House Bill 569 (Resources) is an acceptable change to the current regulation that maintains the overall 58 feet limit on salmon seiners. The board is delegating this authority because this legislation most likely will become law after the board has adjourned. The board would like the delegated regulations in effect for the 1990 salmon season. Therefore, the board requests the department to expedite review of the regulation consistent with the legislature's final language.

Date Adopted: 3.4.90

Final VOTE: Bud Hodson, Chair

For: 7
Against: 6
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0