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Supplemental Tribal Report  
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William W. Stelle, Jr.  
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Re: Makah Treaty Groundfish Fisheries in 2017-2018

Dear Mr. Stelle:

We have been asked to write to you on behalf of the Makah Indian Tribe. Pursuant to 50 C.F.R. § 660.50(d), we wrote to you on November 10, 2015, to describe the Tribe's intended groundfish fisheries in 2017 and 2018 and its requests for treaty groundfish regulations and allocations to accommodate those fisheries.

In our November 10, 2015, letter, we noted that the Tribe intended to request an increase in the tribal set aside for canary rockfish in 2017 and 2018 but had not yet determined the amount of the increase it would request. We noted that Makah representatives would confer with your staff and the other coastal tribes to determine that amount prior to the June 2016 Pacific Fishery Management Council meeting.

At the April 2016 Pacific Fishery Management Council meeting, the coastal tribes submitted preliminary 2017-2018 Tribal Management Measures, which incorporated Makah's proposals for 2017 and 2018 as well as a number of changes to treaty groundfish management measures for those years. The tribes' proposal was submitted as Agenda Item F.6.a. Like our November 10, 2015, letter, the tribes' proposal noted that the tribal set aside for canary rockfish would be determined before the June 2016 council meeting.

In accordance with the procedures adopted by the Pacific Fishery Management Council and National Marine Fisheries Service for revisions to tribal requests for groundfish regulations and allocations (which allow for requested revisions to be submitted before the June Council meeting), the Tribe now requests an increase in the canary rockfish set aside to 50 metric tons.

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In all other respects, the Tribe's requests for treaty groundfish regulations and allocations for 2017 and 2018 remain as described in the coastal tribes' April 2016 proposal, as set forth in Agenda Item F.6.a at the April 2016 Pacific Fishery Management Council meeting.

Makah representatives will be available to discuss any questions you or your staff may have regarding these matters at the upcoming Council meeting.

Sincerely,

ZIONTZ & CHESTNUT

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