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Mr. Chris Mobley, Manager
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113 Harbor Way
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Subject: NOAA's Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Environmental Review
Process to Consider Marine Reserves

Dear Mr. Mobley:

Thank you for your presentation to the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) in June. We appreciate the time you took to work with Council staff, advisory bodies, and the Council itself to explain the process of considering marine reserves.

We are sending the following documents as our scoping comments for this public review process:

- Comments made by the Council's Habitat Committee, Groundfish Advisory Subpanel, Enforcement Consultants, and Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) at the June 2003 Council meeting.
- April 24, 2003 letter from the Council to the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary (CINMS).
- October 2002 letter to Mr. Robert Treanor, California Fish and Game Commission, regarding alternatives for marine reserves in state waters of CINMS, and attachments. The attachments include comments made in November 2001 by the SSC on the early process for considering marine reserves, June 2002 and September 2002 comments by the SSC on the draft environmental document prepared by the California Department of Fish and Game, a letter from Dr. Vernon (Bob) Leeworthy and Dr. Peter Wiley responding to SSC comments, and comments prepared by advisory bodies at the June and September 2002 Council meetings.

We look forward to working with you on these issues in the future.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

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c: Ms. Jennifer Gilden