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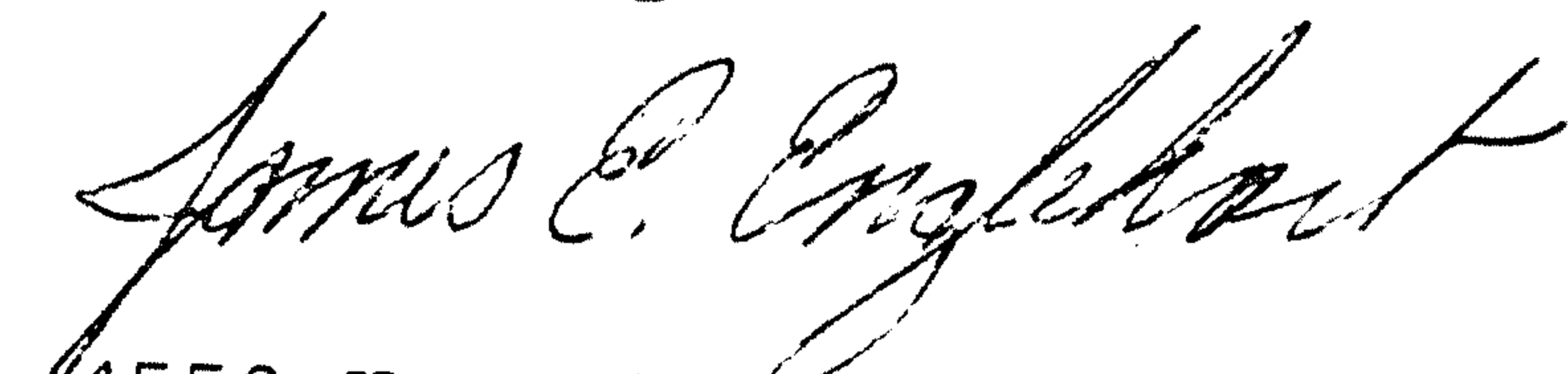
Dear Sir:

In 1985 I started rod and reel, hook and line commercial rock fishing. A few years later your organization started issuing permits for certain types of gear for harvesting rockfish. Fearing what exactly has happened, would happen, I wrote to the PFMC to obtain some type of permit so that eventually I would not be shut out of the fishery. I explained my method of fishing, my normal yearly harvest and my yearly income. At that time I requested something in writing that would establish my right to a certain amount of fish in the future. I was told then in writing by a representative of the PFMC that, "my method of fishing would never have an impact on the resource, so there would never be a need for any type of permit". I took that as the truth, but I wish now I had kept the letter. Is there any way, if I can prove I was commercial rock fishing in those window years, that I can get some type of permit to enable me to catch the same amount of fish an A permit can take? It doesn't seem fair that the boats that used to fish pots and long lines can fish the same area, the same fish, and almost the same method and catch almost 300% more fish, because a few years <sup>ago</sup> you issued them an "A" permit.

I wrote to you smetime ago regarding this subject but didn't receive an answer, I would at appreciate some acknowledgement of your receipt of this letter.

Respectfully

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