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Via Email and First Class Mail

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Jennifer Quan
West Coast Regional Administrator
National Marine Fisheries Service
1201 Northeast Lloyd Blvd
Portland, OR 97232

Re: Makah Treaty Groundfish Fisheries in 2025-2026

Dear Ms. Quan:

We have been asked to write to you on behalf of the Makah Indian Tribe. Pursuant to 50 C.F.R. § 660.50(d), please be advised that the Tribe intends to continue all its existing groundfish fisheries in 2025 and 2026 and requests that all existing treaty groundfish regulations, allocations and set asides be continued.

The Tribe anticipates that it will have three or four catcher boats participating in the Pacific whiting fishery in 2025 and 2026 and requests an allocation of 17.5 percent of the U.S. Total Allowable Catch for its fishery in each year.

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

Sincerely yours,

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