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Quota Share Commercial Fishery Update

It is estimated that the following catches and numbers of landings were made in the British Columbia IVQ fishery and in the Alaskan IFQ and CDQ fisheries through October 15, 2002.

Area	Catch Limit (000's pounds)	Catch (000's pounds)	Number of Landings
2C	8,500	8,126	2,558
3A	22,630	21,406	2,338
3B	17,130	16,213	896
4A	4,970	4,794	364
4B	4,180	3,798	274
4C	2,030	1,191	734
4D	2,030	1,627	53
4E	390	549	1,512
Alaska total	61,860	57,704	8,729
2B	11,750	10,914	947
Grand Total	73,610	68,618	9,676

The Alaskan catch represents 93% of the catch limit. For comparison, from March 15 to October 16, 2001, 54.1 million pounds or 88% of the 2001 catch limit were landed in the Alaskan IFQ/CDQ fisheries. From March 15 to October 16, 2001, 8.8 million pounds or 83% of the 2001 catch limit were landed from Area 2B (British Columbia) compared to 93% in 2002.

IPHC Scholarship winner announced

The Commission is pleased to announce the winner of the first IPHC Scholarship. The 2002 recipient is Ms. Elise Pletnikoff of Kodiak, Alaska. She is a remarkable young woman, with excellent academic qualifications and a strong record of service to her community. She is enrolled in a pre-med program at Carroll College in Montana and hopes to become a surgeon. She intends to practice eventually in Kodiak and also contribute to the Alaska Native Health Center. The Commission anticipates presenting a certificate to Ms. Pletnikoff at its Annual Meeting in Victoria BC, Canada, in January 2003. The IPHC Scholarship is for \$2,000 (US) and is renewable over a four-year period. One new scholarship will be granted each year, on a four-year cycle.

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The Scholarship Committee had a difficult decision choosing from the 23 applicants and there were a number of very worthy candidates. The Committee considered several types of post-secondary education, including technical schools and other alternates. The final short list had individuals with interest in medicine, maritime shipping, business marketing, and marine technology. Applications for the 2003 scholarship will be accepted from April 1 through July 15, 2003.

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