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To Whom It May Concern:

This permit is issued to the Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC), in association with the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF). Permission is extended for activities as follows:

- 1) Activity: to tag and release Pacific halibut (*Hippoglossus stenolepis*) for research purposes;
- 2) Location: Bering Sea, AK, USA;
- 3) Total number of Pacific halibut permitted: 25
- 4) **Permissible fishing gear:** Hook-and-line
- 5) **Permissible time period:** 1 August 2022 through 31 December 2022;
- 6) Principal contact: Dawn Wehde, (907) 443-7624

Pacific halibut obtained under this permit may not be retained for purposes other than the scientific research programs described herein.

1) A maximum of twenty-five (25) Pacific halibut (greater than 100 cm fork length) will be assessed for health, measured for length, and tagged with a Wildlife Computers' miniPAT satellite tag, that weighs 60 g in air, and is 124 mm in length by 38 mm in width at the widest part. Numbers, estimated weights, and other data collected from captured and released Pacific halibut must be reported to the International Pacific Halibut Commission.

Pacific halibut captured but not used in the study specified in this permit must be returned to the sea with a minimum of delay or injury as required by IPHC Fishery Regulations (2022).

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11/04/2022

David T. Wilson, Ph.D. Executive Director Date