APPENDIX 9

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From: Nicole Kimball

Sent: Friday, April 07, 2017 4:54 PM

To: Glenn Merrill NOAA Federal

Subject: Re: AP motion on D 1 crab arbitration

AP just broke and I left. (b)(6)

On Apr 7, 2017, at 4:49 PM, Glenn Merrill NOAA Federal < glenn.merrill@noaa.gov > wrote:

Where are you?

On Fri, Apr 7, 2017 at 16:39 Nicole Kimball < NicoleK@pspafish.net > wrote:

Initiate a regulatory amendment to allow the non-binding price formula arbitrator under the BSAI crab rationalization program to consider sector-wide operational costs and their impact on the distribution of first wholesale revenue when establishing the non-binding price formula.

Alt 1 - No action

Alt 2 – Revise regulations governing the non-binding price formula for crab fisheries, to include changes in operational costs in the harvesting and processing sectors as one of the considerations in establishing a price that preserves the historical division of revenues in the fishery.

Alt 3 – Allow the Contract Arbitrator to consider operational costs under the existing non binding price arbitration formula.

They couldn't get to a letter. Even though they mostly agreed it was a policy call. Alt 3 as you notice is not really a reg change.