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October 6, 2003

John Shively V.P. Government & Community Relations Holland America Line, Inc 745 W. 4th Avenue Suite 304 Anchorage, AK 99501

Re: Discussions on placing oceanographic instruments on Holland America vessels

Dear Mr. Shively

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We very much appreciate your visit to our office today to learn about our plans for placing oceanographic instruments on vessels of opportunity, such as tanker, container and passenger vessels. We are writing to ask if Holland America Line would be interested in opening discussions on the possibility of having our oceanographic data collection instruments installed on one or more vessels that work the waters of the Gulf of Alaska.

As you understand, the use of volunteer vessels to collect oceanographic observations saves our state-federal program about \$250,000 each year in vessel charter costs. The data we collect is designed to be used by various branches of science for purposes such as weather forecasting, managing biological resources, and water quality monitoring, although not all of these types of data are necessarily collected from any one vessel.

As illustrated by the attached example of an agreement between our organization and the Alaska Marine Highway System, we expect to bear all costs for installation, operation and removal of the equipment. In addition we are well aware of the standards required for equipment to be installed on passenger vessels in order to maintain the class of the vessel for insurance and other purposes.

The value to the vessel owner of our program lies first of all in the good will that international recognition of your efforts on behalf of understanding the health of our ecosystems will bring. Our program is internationally recognized in the scientific community as a pioneer in this type of data acquisition in the Gulf of Alaska, and we Page-2-

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expect that data generated from your vessel(s) would eventually be used by scientists around the Pacific Rim, in addition to the Gulf of Alaska. Other returns to the vessel owner depend on the type of installation, and the degree one may wish to use displays of the data for education and entertainment of passengers.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

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Gail Phillips, Executive Director

Phillip R. Mundy, Science Director

Enclosure (2pp)

### FOR USE AS AN EXAMPLE ONLY Memorandum of Agreement between the State of Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities, Alaska Marine Highway System and the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council for installing Oceanographic Instruments on the M/V Tustumena

Introduction: This agreement is made and entered into between the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF), Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) and Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council (EVOSTC) for the purpose of establishing terms governing the relationship between AMHS and EVOSTC during design, installation and removal of oceanographic instruments on the M/V *Tustumena*.

DOT&PF/AMHS enters into this agreement in accordance with AS 36.30.085 and attached appendix A.

Background: Monitoring and research of the oceanographic environment along the coasts of Alaska is important to the mission of the Gulf of Alaska Ecosystem Monitoring (GEM) and Research Program, Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council (EVOSTC). GEM serves state and national interests by providing long-term environmental baseline data for natural resource management and other governmental environmental regulatory purposes through research and monitoring. Cost effective approaches to marine monitoring and research include placing oceanographic instruments on board vessels of opportunity, including those of the Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS).

Duration: November 1, 2003 to September 30, 2005, renewable by AMHS for an additional year, October 1, 2005 – September 30, 2006.

Termination: Either party may terminate the agreement under the following terms. EVOSTC may terminate the agreement after September 2004 by notifying AMHS sixty days prior to the date of dry docking of its intention to remove the oceanographic instruments and supporting structures to the satisfaction of AMHS. AMHS may terminate the agreement at any time for cause of risk to public safety, ABS classification, or other serious cause by so stating in writing to the Executive Director, EVOSTC. AMHS may terminate the agreement by giving notice prior to February 15 2005, of its intention to terminate as of September 30, 2005. In any event, AMHS shall notify EVOSTC prior to February 15, 2005, of its intention with respect to sustaining the agreement for the third year of operation (October 1, 2005 – September 30, 2006). Page-4-

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Agreements: (1) GEM assumes all financial obligations for installing, operating and removing the oceanographic instruments. Any oceanographic instruments placed on board the M/V *Tustumena* would need to be completely financially self-sustaining from FOR USE AS AN EXAMPLE ONLY

the design phase to de-commissioning. (2) AMHS will provide space and electrical power for the instruments. (3) Design of plans for installation of instruments must be done under the independent review of a qualified naval architect or marine engineer (PE) to standards of the American Bureau of Shipping (ABS) and the United States Coast Guard (USCG) applicable to the *Tustumena*. (4) All oceanographic instruments will be designed to "maintain class" of the vessel with ABS and meet USCG CFR's. (5) Applicable hazardous waste handling and disposal requirements will be observed. (6) Design work and approval from AMHS is to be completed before installation during overhaul period. (7) Sr. Port Engineer, George Poor or his designated representative is the technical representative for AMHS. (8) Phil Mundy or his designated representative is the representative for EVOSTC, and Phil Mundy will be party to all correspondence between AMHS and EVOSTC regarding this agreement. (9) Sr. Port Engineer, George Poor will be in charge of all work and funds associated with the installation of instruments during the overhaul period. (10) Funds will be made available for this purpose from GEM via a reciprocal service agreement between state agencies (ADOT and ADF&G).

Agreed this \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 by

Gail Phillips Executive Director Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 441 West 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue Suite 500 Anchorage, AK 99501

George A. Capacci General Manager Alaska Marine Highway System Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities 3132 Channel Drive, Juneau 99801-7978

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October 8, 2003

Pat Norman, President Port Graham Village Council PO Box 5510 Port Graham, AK 99603-5569

Re: WisdomKeeper meeting, September 24-26, 2003

Dear Mr. Norman: Hi tak-

I would like to personally thank you for hosting the recent WisdomKeeper workshop, September 24-26, 2003. I was told that the meeting had a great turn-out, with many familiar scientists and well recognized elders.

Although I was unable to participate in this meeting, I heard the meeting was a huge success. Brenda Hall, who participated on our behalf, expressed to me that she was able to hear the many concerns of the elders and learned that there is much interest in building strong bridges with the scientific community. Also, the issues that were addressed by the elders/villagers, at the meeting, were heartfelt and were recognized by not only the scientists but many other participating organizations.

As talked about in the meeting, I hope that these types of functions can build long lasting ties between scientist, researchers, and villagers. A strong relationship is essential for closing the gap in traditional and scientific knowledge.

Again, please accept my sincere appreciation in hosting the WisdomKeeper workshop.

Sincerely,

Gail Phillips Executive Director Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

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Veronica Slajer Government Affairs Consultant North Star Group 1463 Kirby Rd. Mclean, VA 22101

Dear Ms. Slajer: Ni Veronica -

I want to personally thank you for your letter dated September 18, 2003, introducing your company and offering us your services if needed.

I went on-line to browse your website at <u>www.northstargrp.com</u> but was unable to connect; it could be possible that our server is down. I am very interested in viewing it to see in more detail, what your group provides and if you have an office located in Anchorage. If so, how is it doing?

The North Star Group will be vital for many Alaskan businesses and organizations in need of a liaison between Washington, D.C. and our 49<sup>the</sup> state, I applaud your efforts.

I appreciate the extended offer and hope for your success in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Gail Phillips Executive Director Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

Geease greet Jack from me also!



Ms. Gail Phillips Executive Director Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 441 West 5th Avenue, #500 Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Ms. Phillips: Coul -

During the remaining two months of the 2003 Congressional session, as lawmakers resolve issues and determine final appropriations, we wanted to let you know that we are available at the North Star Group to assist you should the need arise.

As life-long Alaskans now relocated to the Washington, D.C. area, we have a unique appreciation of the challenges facing businesses and organizations in the 49<sup>th</sup> state as they attempt to make progress on their issues and capture the attention of federal policy-makers. With our many years of varied experience in government, we're committed to using our knowledge to help Alaskans navigate through the halls of Congress and the federal agencies in order to achieve success in the nation's capital.

Many groups and organizations in Alaska have vital interests in Washington, D.C. Despite the advantages of modern communications, there's no substitute for an on-scene presence for keeping track of everything that may affect those interests and for being equipped to respond rapidly to new developments. This is where we come in.

We invite you to examine our website at <u>www.northstargrp.com</u> for more information. We welcome all inquiries and would be pleased to provide more details about our services and backgrounds, as well as discuss the specifics of potential projects with either an immediate or longer-term time frame. We look forward to being of service to you.

Sincerely,

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Karl Ohls Senior Policy Advisor

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October 22, 2003

Dawn Ward 629 W. 76th Avenue Anchorage, AK 99518

Dear Dawn:

Thank you for applying for the Analyst Programmer position with the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council. As you know, we received numerous applications from some outstanding candidates, including yourself. However, we have offered the position to another applicant, and he has accepted.

We will be sure to keep your resume on file and as our program develops and future needs are identified, I hope we can contact you.

Again, thank you for your interest in our program

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Dmitry Sidorov 842 W. 23-d Avenue Anchorage, AK 99503

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Garry Lodoen 6241 Rock Hill Cir. Anchorage, AK 99516

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Gerry Smith 351 East Suncrest Loop Slidell, LA 70458

Dear Gerry:

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Jiankai Chang 2114 Gorman St Raleigh, NC 27606

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Jim Emerson 1016 Wee Burn Drive Juneau, AK 99801

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John DeRiggi 3315 N 23rd Road Arlington, VA 22201

Dear John:

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Maria Kerlin 18326 Hidden Falls Ave Eagle River, AK 99577

Dear Maria:

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Marc Grober 5610 Radcliffe Dr Anchorage, AK 99504

Dear Marc:

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Mark Costilow 2117 Mt Washington Colorado Springs, CO 80906

### Dear Mark:

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Scott Boone 1807 Rhode Island Ave Lynn Haven, FL 32444

### Dear Scott:

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October 22, 2003

Gilbert Valencia 425 W. Redoubt Ave, #208 Soldotna, AK 99669

Dear Gilbert:

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October 15, 2003

Craig Matkin North Gulf Oceanic Society 60920 Mary Allen Ave. Homer, AK 99603

Ni Craig -Dear Craig.

Thank you for your letter of september 10<sup>th</sup>, requesting funding for your monitoring project of killer whales in Prince William Sound for 2004.

I appreciate your concerns regarding the STAC's review of this project. As you state, maintaining ecological time series through consistent monitoring is a high priority of the GEM program.

Because this project is highly leveraged with multiple partners and fits the GEM monitoring program, we have changed the status from "Do Not Fund" to "Defer Funding". Unfortunately, the fiscal constraints we are operating under today prohibit us from funding all the projects we think should be included.

There will be funding adjustments during the year and as soon as possible, we will fund the deferred projects as monies become available. Please do not hesitate to call our office to check on the status of funding for deferred projects.

Sincerely,

Gail)Phillips Executive Director



### NORTH GULF OCEANIC SOCIETY

60920 Mary Allen Avenue Homer, Alaska 99603 (907) 235-6590

Gail Phillips, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. Suite 500 Anchorage, Alaska 99501

September 10, 2003

Dear Gail,

I am writing to ask you to change your funding recommendation for my project: <u>Monitoring of Killer</u> <u>Whales in Prince William Sound/ Kenai Fjords in 2004</u>. This project should be funded not only because of damages to killer whale pods and populations following the spill, but because it continues a long time series of observations of importance to GEM, and because EVOS Trustee Council peer reviewer may have misunderstood some important aspects of my work..

The recommendation not to fund was surprising because this project was identified as a continuing project under the FFY 04 invitation. Under the GEM program, maintaining ecological time series though partnership monitoring is considered a valuable tool - (GEM document 3.2.4). The work produced by these studies have appeared in peer-review literature and our EVOS reports received favorable reviews by marine mammal scientists.

I also must take issue with some of the review comments as I do not feel they adequately represent the status of the affected populations. AB pod, the most frequently sighted resident pod is far from numerically recovered from the effects oil spill, in fact, our observations from this year indicate that the pod is still well below its original number of 35. The social structure, ruptured by the spill, also has not stabilized. The AB25 subgroup of the pod, which broke from the pod at the time of the spill still does not travel with the rest of the pod and their status is uncertain. Although the southern Alaska resident killer whale population may be increasing overall, this very important and often viewed segment of the population has not recovered and our study provides a fascinating and unique account of the reaction of a killer pods to a major perturbation.

The AT1 population of transients has been petitioned for listing as depleted under the Marine Mammal Protection Act. The decline of this group was severely exacerbated by the oil spill. The deaths following the oil spill are strong factor in promoting this listing. The Council should have some responsibility in monitoring the situation with this group.

The linkage between these killer whale declines and the oil spill has been questioned by particular reviewers (non marine mammalogists) since the beginning of the EVOS supported studies. With each passing year the chance that these mortalities were "coincidence" declines. There have been no similar mass mortalities in southern Alaska, nor in any other long term killer whale studies conducted over the past three decades from Puget Sound to Southeast Alaska. However whether or not these declines can be attributed primarily to the spill - (which I think they can), by maintaining this time series and continuing to increase our understanding of killer whale population structure we will be in a better position to gage the effects of future spills as well as the effects of other man made and natural changes in the marine environment.

Perhaps the problem here is that responsibility for reviewing this project has been placed under the Lingering Oil subcommittee - which by necessity has a narrow focus. A broader perspective which

considers killer whales as a highly visible and important component of the marine ecosystem should be considered.

I also remind you that the Trustee Council is shouldering only a small portion of the total cost of this high profile project, yet will be fully credited for support. The public, tourboat operators, and other marine mammal scientists have shown great support for the continuation of this project and I believe will be surprised at its deletion from your agenda. With due respect, I ask that you reconsider your decision not to fund the killer whale monitoring project.

If you have additional questions, please query me or one of the marine mammal scientists who have reviewed my reports.

Craig O. Matkin Director

Cc: Phil Mundy, Peter Hagen



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Viswanath Veerappan 812 West Main Street #103 Arlington, TX 76013

Dear Viswanath:

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Yixia Chen 1555 Lavista Road Apt 3111 Atlanta, GA 30329

Dear Yixia:

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Zhendong Chen 4301 West Markham Street, JBSU 84 Lttle Rock, AR 72205

Dear Zhendong:

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Darren Batchelor 1228 Adobe Great Falls, MT 59404

Dear Darren:

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Bharat Satyanarayan 412 S Cooper Street, #35 Arlington, TX 76013

Dear Bharat:

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Chandra Chagaleti 622, BRISTER APT#2 MEMPHIS, TN 38111

Dear Chandra:

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Donny Tjandra 18472 Walnut Road Castro Valley, CA 94546

Dear Donny:

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Travis Rupp 3127 South Cr. Anchorage, AK 99507

Dear Travis:

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Aleksey Grachev 14043 E. Temple dr. #1237 Aurora, CO 80015

Dear Aleksey:

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October 23, 2003

**Robert Spies Applied Marine Sciences** PO Box 315 Little River, CA 95456

> RE: Project 030600/Synthesis of the Ecological Findings from the EVOS Damage Assessment and Restoration Programs, 1989-2001

Dear Robert: Dob -

Thank you for your letter dated October 14, 2003. I appreciate the update and learning that the work on the book is on track and moving forward. Because of this, your request will be approved. The monies unspent, at the end of the no-cost extension, will not be deducted from your FY04 funds, if granted by the Trustee Council on November 10, 2003.

Thank you again for the update. Please continue to send updates as work on your book processes.

Sincerely,

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Gail Phillips **Executive Director** 

CC: Phil Mundy, EVOS Science Director Paula Banks, EVOS Carol Fries, DNR

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October 2, 2003

Patty Brown-Schwalenberg Chugach Regional Resources Commission 4201 Tudor Centre Dr, Suite 300 Anchorage, Alaska 99508

Re: Reviews of Tribal Natural Resource Management Plans (TNRMP), Project 020052

Dear Ms. Brown-Schwalenberg:

Enclosed please find reviews of the natural resource management plans for Tatitlek, Nanwalek, Port Graham and Eyak. The reviews were conducted by senior tribal natural resource managers from other parts of the United States who have had experience in preparing natural resource management plans and running tribal natural resource management programs.

The reviewers identified quite a few areas needing improvement. The plans will need to be revised and reviewed again before we can consider accepting them. Each plan was reviewed individually, and each has its own specific needs for revisions, however here are some common areas needing attention that were identified by the reviewers.

- Priorities for the Priority Issues
- Content to fill in outlined points
- Definition of management objectives, regulatory strategies and authorities
- Sharing of data with other institutions
- Connections to the GEM program

If you have specific questions please contact me. Please note that the TNRMP are considered the bulk of the final report for this project. Under Trustee Council policy you are not eligible for further funding from the Trustee Council until the final report requirement for this project has been satisfied.

Sincerely.

Phillip R. Mundy, Ph.D. Science Director

cc: Gail Phillips

