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ATTENTION BAIT SUPPLIERS AND SALMON PROCESSORS **Bait Needed for 2019 IPHC Fishery-Independent Setline Survey** **380,000 pounds semi-bright chum salmon** **Contact IPHC by 28 August 2018**

The International Pacific Halibut Commission is acquiring bait for the 2019 fishery-independent setline survey. Due to the scientific nature of the study, IPHC bait quality requirements and standardization exceed those normally provided by industry as bait chums.

Chum salmon requirements:

- Headed and gutted (H&G)
- Individually quick frozen (IQF).
- The minimum grade is semi-bright #2s (ASMI grade A-E). Fish of a higher quality are acceptable but not preferred over the minimum quality.
- IPHC prefers 4/6 lbs and 6/9 lbs; 9/up lbs may be considered.
- Bait may be inspected by IPHC staff prior to purchase to ensure that the flesh is firm and has been processed in a manner that maintains the required quality.
- Bait must be toted in ~1,000 lb fiber totes.
- Information on the month of capture, the run for each unit/tote of bait purchased, and tote weight is required. Also, the labeling of totes as IPHC specific product before shipment would be preferred.
- The salmon must have been caught and processed no earlier than June 2018.
- Invoices submitted for payment no later than March 2019.

The IPHC will consider quantity offered, size, quality, price per pound, and preseason storage location when making purchases. To be included in purchase negotiations, complete the information listed on the second page of this announcement and submit it to Ed Henry via fax: (206) 632-2983 or e-mail ed@iphc.int **by 28 August 2018**. The Commission will evaluate proposals as they are submitted; however, the Commission is not required to accept the lowest or any of the bids received. Bid acceptance will be released to the parties by **5 September 2018**. If you have any questions, please contact Ed Henry at (206) 634-1838 ext 7686.

For 2019, the IPHC has been investigating spatial expansion of the survey. As part of our planning, the Commission requests bidders provide information on timing, quantity, and location availability of chum salmon between the dates of 1 June and 31 August 2019. This will assist the IPHC in determining possible significant in-season purchases.

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Considerations

During May of 2019, bait will be shipped to ports specified by the IPHC for the 2019 fishery-independent setline survey. Estimated bait needs in 2019 are listed below:

Port	lbs.	Port	lbs.
Adak	10,000	Sitka	25,000
Alitak	8,000	St. Paul	5,000
Dutch Harbor	55,000	Valdez/Cordova	15,000
Homer/Seward	55,000	Yakutat	28,000
Juneau	10,000	Newport	20,000
Ketchikan	30,000	Bellingham	10,000
King Cove	15,000	Prince Rupert, BC	15,000
Kodiak	45,000	Port Hardy, BC	17,000
Petersburg	5,000	Vancouver, BC	8,000
Sand Point	4,000		

If you would like to be included in purchase negotiations, please complete the following table:

Size	Quality	Quantity (lbs)	Price per pound	Preseason storage location

Can you provide chum salmon during the 2019 season?

If you are also able to provide chum salmon between 1 June and 31 August 2019 please provide details on the estimated quantity, timeframe, and location.

Are there other services you can offer with your bid?

If you can provide additional services with your bid or you can provide in season bait chums, please include an explanation with your response. Vendors who are able to provide cold storage from time of purchase until shipment may be preferred.