Memorandum of Understanding between the North Pacific Marine Science Organization and the Pacific Salmon Commission

Recognizing that the North Pacific Marine Science Organization (PICES), exists to: (a) promote and coordinate marine scientific research in order to advance scientific knowledge of the area concerned and of its living resources, including but not necessarily limited to research with respect to the ocean environment and its interactions with land and atmosphere, its role in and response to global weather and climate change, its flora, fauna, and ecosystems, its uses and resources, and impacts upon it from human activities; and (b) to promote the collection and exchange of information and data related to marine scientific research in the area concerned;

Recognizing that the Pacific Salmon Commission (PSC) exists to: a) prevent over-fishing and provide for optimum production, and b) ensure that both countries receive benefits equal to the production of salmon originating in their waters, and further that the Parties shall conduct research to investigate the migratory and exploitation patterns, the productivity, and the status of stocks of common concern and the extent of interceptions while noting the Commission may make recommendations to the Parties regarding the conduct and coordination of research;

Recognizing the mandatory powers, constraints and obligations under which PICES and PSC respectively operate;

Desiring to provide a framework for mutual cooperation;

PICES and PSC, hereinafter called "the Parties", have agreed to the following:

- 1. To maintain reciprocal consultations and appropriate contacts on matters of common interest in the field of marine scientific research;
- 2. To regularly exchange data, information, documents, and publications relating to program and project plans and the results of activities agreed by the Parties to be of mutual interest, joint or otherwise;
- 3. To invite each other to be represented, in an observer capacity, at meetings of common interest, to the extent that this is possible within their respective working procedures;
- 4. When appropriate, to provide access to workshops, seminars, training opportunities organized by the Parties;
- 5. To undertake joint activities, as appropriate, including when agreed, the establishment of joint subsidiary bodies or other suitable arrangements, to study and report on matters of common interest;
- 6. To consult, as appropriate, on ways in which cooperation between them can be further improved and extended. Specific joint programs and activities may be defined through addenda to this agreement;
- 7. This Memorandum of Understanding (Memorandum) shall enter into force upon signature of the person duly authorized by each Party and shall remain in force unless either Party withdraws pursuant to paragraph 9 below;
- 8. The terms of the Memorandum may be revised by the Parties if they both agree. The Memorandum shall continue on the basis of the existing terms until new terms have been agreed;

9. Either Party may withdraw from the Memorandum at any time subject to giving one year's written notice to the other Party.

____Date: Nov. 11th, 2022

Date: October 20, 2022

Dr. Scott Rumsey, Chair

Pacific Salmon Commission

Enrique N. Curchitser Chair

North Pacific Marine Science Organization