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Mr. Brent Williams
Division of Community & Regional Affairs
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Dear Mr. Williams,

I wish to express our support of the proposed Petersburg Borough boundaries.

Icicle Seafoods, Inc. was founded in Petersburg in 1965 by Petersburg residents and fishermen. Over the years we have greatly expanded our operations in Alaska and currently operate from Southeast to Norton Sound. We purchase and process salmon, pollock, crab, cod, halibut, sablefish, and herring harvested by fishermen employing many different types of gear.

The seafood industry is the economic engine that drives Petersburg's economy. The proposed Petersburg Borough boundaries include land and waters that are of vital importance to the health of the community. The Petersburg fishing fleet and the vessels that deliver to us have a long history of harvesting seafood within the proposed borough boundaries, including ADF&G fishing districts 10 and 11C in the northern portion of the proposed borough. The species harvested in ADF&G fishing districts 10 and 11C purchased by Icicle Seafoods, Inc. include salmon, Dungeness crab, brown King crab, red King crab, Tanner crab, halibut, and roe herring. The area is utilized by harvesters employing troll, seine, gillnet, pot, and longline gear.

Given the current boundaries of the boroughs adjacent to Petersburg and the historical use of the proposed area by the Petersburg commercial fishing fleet and processors, we believe the proposed boundaries for the Petersburg Borough are entirely appropriate and justified.

I appreciate the opportunity to express our views and support for the proposed Petersburg Borough boundaries.

Sincerely,
ICICLE SEAFOODS, INC.

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