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City of Valdez
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Dear Municipal Official:

The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development is pleased to announce availability of the **FY 2020 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program**. The purpose of the program is to allocate a share of state fish tax collected outside municipal boundaries with municipalities affected by fishing industry activities. Municipalities around the state will share approximately \$1.6 million based on 2018 fisheries activity as reported by fish processors on their fish tax returns. Details of how the program works are included in the application under *Program Description*.

Historically, your municipality along with the other communities in your fisheries management area (FMA 15: Prince William Sound) has filed using the Alternative Method found on the last four pages of this application. A breakdown is included that details the communities in your FMA, in addition to the anticipated payment based on the agreed upon allocation method for your FMA. If this agreement is still in place with your FMA, you will only need to have your Council/Assembly pass the enclosed alternative method sample resolution in order to participate in the program.

If your FMA intends to change the alternative method of allocation, the new proposal must be submitted to our office no later than **January 15, 2020**. If an agreement cannot be made with all communities in your FMA, you will need to file using the standard method and claim your significant effects. Instructions on both of these methods are detailed in the application packet.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF COMPLETED APPLICATION IS
FEBRUARY 18, 2020.**

Applications can be scanned and emailed to caa@alaska.gov with the subject line **"Municipality Name, FY20, SFBT"**. If you have any questions about the program or require assistance in completing the application, please contact me at kimberly.phillips@alaska.gov or call (907) 451-2718.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kimberly Phillips".

Kimberly Phillips
Grants Administrator II

Enclosures

FMA 15: Prince William Sound Area

Total allocation:		LONG
\$20,152.92		
Community	Population	Calculated Allocation
City of Cordova	2,360	\$6,717.64
City of Valdez	3,903	\$6,717.64
City of Whittier	245	\$6,717.64
Totals	6,508	\$20,152.92
Community Count	3	

*Three municipalities share available funding equally.

Reference
Number

	Total Distribution
20-SF15-01	\$6,717.64
20-SF15-02	\$6,717.63
20-SF15-03	\$6,717.64
	\$ 20,152.92