

# POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

## COUNCIL POLICY #3

### INTEREST GROUP MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS

#### I. Objective

To set forth the following guidelines to allow organizations located in the vicinity of the oil terminal facilities to become Interest Group Class members of the Council.

#### II. Membership Qualifications

- A. Pursuant to the Council Bylaws, Section 2.2, the Council adopts the criteria set forth below, as qualifications for an organization seeking membership in the Interest Group Member Class.
- B. In order to be certified as a member of one of the groups in the Interest Group Member class, an organization shall submit a one-time application, which includes the documentation or other proof required below.

#### III. Group Criteria

- A. Commercial Fishing Group. The organization shall provide documentation that establishes that it is a commercial fishing industry organization, the members of which depend on the fisheries resources in Cook Inlet or the Kodiak Area, and that its primary purpose is to represent or protect the interests of commercial fishermen.
- B. Aquaculture Group. The organization shall provide documentation that establishes that it is a Regional Aquaculture Association as defined by AS 16.10.380, that operates in the vicinity of Cook Inlet or the Kodiak Area.
- C. Alaska Native Group. The organization shall provide documentation that establishes that it is an Alaska Native Corporation or other Alaska Native organization, the members of which reside in the vicinity of Cook Inlet or the Kodiak Area, and that its primary purpose is to represent or protect the interests of Alaska Natives.
- D. Environmental Group. The organization shall provide documentation that establishes that it is an environmental organization, the members of which reside in the vicinity of Cook Inlet or the Kodiak Area, and that its primary purpose is to protect, preserve or restore environmental quality.
- E. Recreational Group. The organization shall provide documentation that establishes that it is a recreational organization, the members of which reside in the vicinity of Cook Inlet or the Kodiak Area, and that its

primary purpose is to represent or protect the interests of those involved in the recreational use of aquatic resources in the Cook Inlet or Kodiak Area.

- F. Alaska State Chamber of Commerce. The Alaska State Chamber of Commerce shall represent the interest of the tourism industry based in the vicinity of Cook Inlet or the Kodiak Area.

**IV. General Selection Criteria**


Each organization applying for membership certification shall provide documentation or other proof of the following:

- A. Organization activities take place in the vicinity of Cook Inlet or Kodiak Area.
- B. Organization headquarters or affiliate office are located in the vicinity of Cook Inlet or Kodiak area.
- C. The majority of organization members reside in the vicinity of Cook Inlet or Kodiak area.
- D. The organization's membership must be over 20 members.
- E. The organization membership must meet on at least an annual basis.
- F. The organization must be incorporated or otherwise recognized by the State of Alaska or affiliated with a national organization.

**V. Responsibility**

It is the responsibility of the Credentials Committee to ensure that these guidelines are followed.

**ADOPTED BY THE COOK INLET REGIONAL CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL** on the 11th day of June, 1994 as Resolution 94-02 and then reformatted and passed as Council Policy #3 on March 28, 2008, 2008.

  
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