



"The mission of the Council is to represent the citizens of Cook Inlet in promoting environmentally safe marine transportation and oil facility operations in Cook Inlet."

May 2, 2014

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United States Coast Guard
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RE: Cook Inlet Regional Citizens Advisory Council Recertification Application for
September 1, 2014 to August 31, 2015

Dear Admiral Ostebo:

The Cook Inlet Regional Citizens Advisory Council (Cook Inlet RCAC) is pleased to provide you with our Triennial Application for Recertification as the alternative advisory group for Cook Inlet pursuant to the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA 90), Section 5002(o). Our recertification request observes the revised U.S. Coast Guard guidelines that establish a streamlined application process for two years out of every three. The guidelines require a full description of Council actions, programs and projects undertaken since the last triennial recertification in 2011, with supporting documentation and full public comment period.

Admiral Ostebo, we had a productive pre-submittal conference in Juneau with Cmdr. Matt Jones and project manager Lt. Tom Pauser in March, and thank them for that courtesy and helpful direction. In addition, communications with Lt. Cmdr. Jason Boyle were most constructive.

We appreciate your thorough review of this recertification request, report and accompanying documents. I say with confidence that you will find we are meeting all of the requirements of OPA 90. The commitment and excellent performance of our volunteer leaders and staff are demonstrated on each page of this document, and we believe will be obvious to you, your staff, and all who review it.

Please contact our office at any time should you require any additional materials or more information on any of our programs. Thank you for your consideration of our request for recertification.

Sincerely,

Michael Munger
Executive Director

cc Board of Directors