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July 8, 2016

Mr. Richard Riggs
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208 Lake Street, Suite E
Sitka, AK 99835

DEC File No. WPC: 2264.54.003

Re: Silver Bay Seafoods Valdez Plant, Sea Diamond Gurry Transport Vessel, APDES Permit No. AKG523061, Notice of Coverage and Authorization to Discharge

Dear Mr. Riggs:

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation has completed its review of the updated Notice of Intent for the Silver Bay Seafoods Valdez Plant, Sea Diamond Gurry Transport Vessel and is issuing authorization AKG523061.

The AKG523000 general permit expired June 30, 2016, and DEC administratively extended the general permit on July 1, 2016. In accordance with AKG523000, Section 4.3.5 (Duty to Reapply), DEC determined the complete May 3, 2016 NOI application package fulfills the obligation to apply/reapply at least 90 days (April 1, 2016) prior to the expiration date of the permit and qualifies you for administrative extension of your APDES authorization until a new permit is issued. We have included a copy of your administrative extension letter with this authorization.

This letter updates the administratively extended AKG523061 authorization to include the changes as submitted in the July 8, 2016 NOI and associated NOI attachments. The changes in the July 8, 2016 NOI include the addition of discharges via the gurry transport vessel from the Silver Bay Seafoods Fish Oil Facility, which include macerated fish heads. Silver Bay Seafoods is authorized to cumulatively discharge up to 10 million pounds of seafood processing waste between all authorized gurry vessels at the approved area of operation.

Silver Bay Seafoods Valdez Plant, Sea Diamond Gurry Transport Vessel (acting on Silver Bay Seafoods behalf) is authorized to discharge seafood waste at the following sites (as requested in the July 8, 2016 *Notice of Intent):*

Site Name	Shape of Area of Discharge	Seafood processing waste discharge location name (Receiving Water Name or Operational Area Designation)	Latitude	Longitude
Prince William Sound	1 nm diameter circle (coordinates are center point)	Prince William Sound	60.80417	-147.162338

The seafood processing waste discharge shall meet all the requirements as set out in the AKG523000 Alaska Offshore Seafood Processors General Permit including Part 1.1.1 Operators of offshore processors discharging between 0.5 and 1.0 nautical miles from shore and Part 1.1.2. Operators of offshore processors discharging between 1.0 nm from shore and 3.0 nm from shore or baseline.

If you have questions about the issuance of this authorization, please contact Jackie Ebert at jackie.ebert@alaska.gov or 907-465-5336.

If you have questions regarding compliance with any permit or authorization requirement, please contact Kristi Asplund at kristi.asplund@alaska.gov or 907-465-5308 for southeast locations or Darren Stewart at darren.stewart@alaska.gov or 907-269-7550 for all other locations.

Sincerely,

Earl L. Crapps
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Enclosure: Authorization AKG523061

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Authorization to Discharge

AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (APDES) FOR ALASKA OFFSHORE SEAFOOD PROCESSORS.

FACILITY ASSIGNED AUTHORIZATION NUMBER: AKG523061

DEC File Number: 2264.54.003

***GENERAL PERMIT NUMBER:* AKG523000**
See this General Permit for all permit requirements.

The following facility is authorized to discharge in accordance with the terms of the APDES General Permit AKG523000 and any site specific requirements listed in this authorization.

The authorization effective date is **June 7, 2016.**

The authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight, **June 30, 2016**.

This authorization demonstrates that the applicant has fulfilled the obligation to reapply for permit coverage at least 90 days prior to the expiration date of the permit and that their application has been found timely and complete.

SECTION 1 – RESPONSIBLE PARTY INFORMATION	
Issued to:	Silver Bay Seafoods

SECTION 2 – FACILITY INFORMATION			
Facility Name:	Silver Bay Seafoods Valdez Plant Gurry Transport Vessel- Sea Diamond		
Facility Location:	As designated on the Notice of Intent (NOI) dated May 3, 2016		
APDES Permit Category:	Seafood Processing		
Category(ies) of Processor:	Mobile transit vessel discharging seafood processing waste while in transit in water between 1.0 and 3.0 nautical miles from shore at MLLW or baseline		
Latitude:	As designated on the NOI	Longitude:	As designated on the NOI

Permit ID: 13795.3
Facility ID: 634.7

SECTION 3 – REGULATED DISCHARGE INFORMATION – EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
Effluent Limitations	
Effluent Compliance Point:	At the point of discharge in the receiving water.
Amount of Seafood Waste Discharge Limitation:	An operator shall not discharge a cumulative amount (by weight) of seafood processing waste on a daily or annual basis which exceeds the amount for each single location and area of operation as projected on the May 3, 2016 Notice of Intent. Discharge maximums are listed for the area of operation. These maximum discharges are cumulative total (6,200,000 lbs) for all vessels proposed to discharge (Bering Beauty and/or Sea Diamond) to the single area of operation.
Monitoring Requirements	
Effluent Monitoring begins January 2013 and continues until permit coverage expires.	
Effluent Monitoring Point:	Sample port prior to the discharge entering the receiving water.
See Tables 2, 3, 4, and 5 of permit AKG523000 for monitoring requirements.	

SECTION 4 – RECEIVING AREA INFORMATION-RECEIVING WATER			
Receiving Area Name:	As designated on the NOI		
Latitude:	As designated on the NOI	Longitude:	As designated on the NOI
Monitoring Requirements: See Permit Part 5.1.4 for Receiving Water Monitoring Requirements			
Monitoring begins January 2013 and continues till permit coverage expires.			
Monitoring Point:	Samples shall be collected at two depths per sampling location and at two sampling locations per event. One sampling location shall be at the approximate boundary of an authorized mixing zone, down current or likely influenced by an effluent discharge and one location shall be at a representative location of the receiving water not influenced by an effluent discharge		
See Tables 6, 7 and 8 of permit AKG523000 for monitoring requirements.			
Mixing Zone Authorization			
Mixing Zone Compliance Point:	All Alaska Water Quality Standards shall be met at the boundary of each authorized mixing zone at each single discharge location within an authorized area of operation.		
Mixing Zone Authorization:	The discharge is assigned a mixing zone at each discharge location within an authorized area of operation listed in the NOI.		
Mixing Zone Description:	The mixing zone size for each discharge location within an authorized area of operation listed in the NOI is a circle with a 100 foot radius centered at the outfall pipe or discharge pipe terminus extending vertically up to the surface and down to the seafloor.		

Water quality criteria that may be exceeded within each mixing zone:	Dissolved gas, oil and grease, pH, temperature, color, turbidity, residues, fecal coliform bacteria, total residual chlorine and enterococci bacteria.

SECTION 5 – SITE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS
(Any additional requirements to those already listed in the general permit)

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The two dedicated phone numbers are to be used for verbal notification within 24 hours of an incident of non-compliance. The required written follow-up notification can be provided via fax, email, or U.S. Postal Service.

Toll Free Nationwide: 1-877-569-4114
Anchorage or International: 1-907-269-4114
The Compliance fax number is: 1-907-269-4604
Emails can be sent to:

dec-wqreporting@alaska.gov

Mailing Address is:
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation
Attn: Compliance and Enforcement Program
555 Cordova Street
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

SECTION 6 – CERTIFICATION/SIGNATURE

Signature	June 7, 2016 Date
Earl L. Crapps Printed Name	Section Manager Domestic & Industrial Utilities Title

SECTION 7 – ATTACHMENTS

The following AKG523000 Offshore Seafood Processor reporting forms are available electronically by clicking on the icons immediately following the form title.

AKG523000 Offshore Seafood Annual Report Form
AKG523000 Offshore Seafood Survey Form
AKG523000 Annual Report Attachment
Attachment B Grinder Log Form
Attachment C Sea Surface Log Form
Attachment D-2 Seafloor Transect Form
Attachment F BMP Certification Form