Department of Environmental Conservation Response to Comments

For

Peter Pan Seafood Company, LLC – King Cove Facility APDES Permit No. AK0052388

Public Noticed
October 12, 2023 – November 13, 2023

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Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program 555 Cordova Street Anchorage, AK 99501

1 Introduction

1.1 Summary of Facility / Permit

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC or the Department) proposes to reissue an Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (APDES) individual permit to Peter Pan Seafood Company, LLC – King Cove Facility for discharge of seafood processing waste and wastewater to waters of the U.S. The permit authorizes discharges to King Cove. The permit is the reissuance of AK0052388, previously issued on August 10, 1999.

In order to ensure protection of water quality and human health, the permit places limits on the types and amounts of pollutants that can be discharged from the facility, outlines best management practices (BMPs) to which the facility must adhere, and requires effluent and receiving water monitoring.

1.2 Opportunities for Public Participation

DEC proposed to reissue an APDES wastewater discharge individual permit, *Peter Pan Seafood Company, LLC – King Cove Facility*. To ensure public, agency, and tribal notification and opportunities for participation, the Department:

- identified the permit on the annual Permit Issuance Plan posted online at: http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater.aspx
- notified potentially affected tribes and local governments that the Department would be working on this permit via letter, fax, and/or email on July 28, 2023
- posted a preliminary draft of the permit online for a 10-day applicant review September 1, 2023 and notified tribes, local government(s), and other agencies
- formally published public notice of the draft permit on October 12, 2023 in the Anchorage Daily News and the Dutch Harbor Fisherman and posted the public notice on the Department's public notice web page
- posted the proposed final permit online for a 5-day applicant review on November 20, 2023
- sent email notifications via the APDES Program Listserv when the preliminary draft, draft, and proposed final permits were available for review

The Department did not receive comments from any interested parties on the draft permit and supporting documents. The Department requested comment from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G), the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The Department did not receive comments from any government agencies.

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1.3 Final Permit

The final permit was adopted by the Department on pending.

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