

November 22, 2013

To: Processors of Oregon Dungeness Crab

From: Vance Bybee

Director

Food Safety and Animal Health Program

Subject: November 2013, Domoic Acid (DA) and Paralytic Shellfish Toxin (PST) Testing Results

This letter is to inform you that the Oregon Department of Agriculture received and analyzed viscera from Oregon Dungeness crabs between November 8<sup>th</sup> and November 13<sup>th</sup> 2013, for accumulation of Domoic Acid and Paralytic Shellfish Toxin. Samples were collected off the coast of Brookings, Port Orford, Coos Bay, Newport, Garibaldi, and Astoria. All test results for the Domoic Acid samples were below the FDA established action level for crab viscera of 30 parts per million (ppm) or less. PST samples were also below the 80 ug/100g FDA established action level.

Please include this letter with your HACCP plan as verification that crabs harvested from the Oregon Coast are from approved waters. This verification will be valid until further notice. The Oregon Department of Agriculture will monitor biotoxin levels in Oregon waters and conduct further sampling as needed.