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### MEMORANDUM

TO: Dungeness Crab Task Force Consultant Applicants

FROM: OPC Staff

DATE: January 8, 2009

SUBJECT: Deadline Extended and Response to Questions regarding Dungeness Crab Task Force Consultant Request for Services

ATTACHEMENTS: Dungeness Crab Task Force Consultant Request for Services

Ocean Protection Council staff is extending the Dungeness crab task force consultant request for services (RFS) deadline. The RFS will now close by C.O.B. on **Friday January 16, 2009**. An electronic copy of the submittal should be sent to:

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Ocean Protection Council staff has received questions regarding its Request for Services for a Dungeness Crab Task Force Consultant ("RFS") posted on December 17, 2008. We are circulating this response to the entire field of applicants and posting it on the Ocean Protection Council Web site (<http://www.resources.ca.gov/copc/>) so that all applicants have the same information when crafting their proposals. The compiled questions and responses are as follows:

- 1) **Will the task force meetings be open to the public and are task force meetings subject to the Open Meetings Act?** Yes, it is anticipated that task force meetings involving a majority of task force members will be open to the public and subject to the Open Meetings Act (Gov. Code Section 11120 et seq.). However, it is unknown how many meetings of a *majority* of the task force members will be required. It is anticipated that the task force, once convened, will decide what meeting and other procedures to employ. Therefore, the scope of work for this project is subject to change once the task force has been established, depending on various factors including the needs of its members.
- 2) **Is there a specific budget for this project?** The consultant will be hired on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualifications and that *submission of a budget is not required* and will not be considered as criteria for selection. The budget for this project will be negotiated with the best qualified applicant.

- 3) **What role will Ocean Protection Council members and staff play on the task force?** Staff to the Ocean Protection Council will be coordinating with the consultant on this project; however, there will be no representative from the Ocean Protection Council on task force. The task force members will be comprised pursuant to the directives of Fish & Game Code Section 8276.4, attached to the RFS.”

If you have any questions regarding the Dungeness Crab Task Force Consultant RFS, please email Rachelle Fisher at [rfisher@scc.ca.gov](mailto:rfisher@scc.ca.gov).

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