July 25, 2014

The Honorable Penny Pritzker
Secretary of Commerce
U.S. Department of Commerce
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Washington, D.C. 20230

The Honorable Susan Bell
Commissioner
State of Alaska
Department of Commerce, Community and
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Dear Secretary Pritzker and Commissioner Bell:

Please accept this letter as Coastal Villages Region Fund’s (CVRF) annual statement of compliance with respect to investments made by CVRF in 2013, as required by section 305(i)(1)(E)(v) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1855(i)(1)(E)(v)) and by Resolutions 2012-01 and 2014-02 of the Western Alaska Community Development Association (WACDA).

CVRF has reviewed its 2013 investments to determine whether CVRF’s 2013 investments were: (A) fisheries-related or a past practice; or (b) other/matching/not fisheries-related. In conducting this review, CVRF relied on the definitions of the terms “investments,” “fisheries-related” and “past practices” provided in WACDA Resolutions 2012-01 and 2014-02.

CVRF has concluded in its review that CVRF made only “fisheries-related” or “past practice” investments in 2013 and that it did not make any “non-fisheries” investments in 2013. CVRF therefore exceeded the threshold requirement – 80% for “fisheries-related” and “past practice” investments -- required in clause (iv) of section 305(i)(1)(E) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1855(i)(1)(E)(iv)).
The CVRF Board of Directors has approved this Statement of Compliance for its 2013 investments (as required by 16 U.S.C. 1855(i)(1)(E)(v) and by section 8 of WACDA Resolutions 2012-01 and 2014-02) for signature by CVRF’s Executive Director and for submission to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce and State of Alaska.

Sincerely,

C. Morgan Crow - Executive Director
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