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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

My name is Tim Klassen and I am submitting my name for the North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group.

I own Reel Steel Sportfishing, a fishing charter business based at Woodley Island Marina on Humboldt Bay. I have fished and dove from each port in the study region from Albion to Crescent City. I have fished the North Coast for over 30 years. I believe that I have a pretty good understanding of our local waters. As vice president of the Humboldt Area Saltwater Anglers Inc. I have the responsibility of representing the interests of recreational anglers on the North Coast. I have developed relationships with other organizations such as the North Coast Fishermen's Association, Shelter Cove Fishermen's Alliance, Humboldt Fishermen's Marketing Association, California Fisheries Coalition, Klamath Management Zone Fisheries Coalition, Coastside Fishing Club, Eureka Chamber of Commerce, and others. I am on the Humboldt Bay Advisory Committee and the Humboldt Bay Harbor Safety Committee. I have served on the Board of the Humboldt Builders Exchange and participated in a state effort to rewrite the Contractor's License Exam. I have also participated on the Groundfish Advisory Panel for the PFMC.

I am able to communicate with members of HASA electronically by email, website (www.humboldtuna.com) and phone. Many of our older members do not have internet access.

I have been following the MLPA process since the Central Coast and I believe that I have a good understanding of what is required of RSG members. I have been asked by several people that I respect, to serve on the RSG.

Please consider my nomination.

Sincerely,

TIM KLASSEN