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Ms. Sheila K. Gottehrer
Executive Director
Prince William Sound
Regional Citizens' Advisory Council
601 West Fifth Avenue, Suite 500
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Dear Ms. Gottehrer:

Your request for recertification, as an alternative voluntary advisory group in lieu of council for Prince William Sound, has been approved. The approval, pursuant to the provisions of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA 90), section 5002(o), is effective March 22, 1992, and is valid through December 31, 1992. A notice of the certification will be published in the Federal Register.

We are currently developing standards for a formal recertification process for advisory organizations, which will be published in the Federal Register. These will assist advisory organizations in developing their programs, as well as, assure public input into the recertification process. It is critical that all be aware of what is expected of advisory bodies and it is essential that the goals of OPA 90 be fostered.

We look forward to working with you in the coming months.

Sincerely,

R. G. NORRIS
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard
Deputy Chief, Office of Environmental
Security and Environmental Assessment
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