

TABLE 9.—PROPOSED 2004 BERING SEA SUBAREA POLLOCK ALLOCATIONS TO THE COOPERATIVE AND NON-COOPERATIVE SECTORS OF THE INSHORE POLLOCK FISHERY

[All amounts are in metric tons]

	A season TAC	A season in-side SCA <sup>1</sup>	B season TAC
Cooperative sector:			
Vessels > 99 ft .....	n/a	155,616	n/a
Vessels ≤ 99 ft .....	n/a	25,495	n/a
Total .....	258,731	181,111	388,096
Open access sector .....	388	<sup>2</sup> 272	582
Total inshore .....	259,119	181,383	388,678

<sup>1</sup> The Steller sea lion conservation area established at § 679.22(a)(7)(vii).<sup>2</sup> SCA limitations for vessels less than or equal to 99 ft LOA that are not participating in a cooperative will be established on an inseason basis in accordance with § 679.22(a)(7)(vii)(C)(2) which specifies that "the Regional Administrator will prohibit directed fishing for pollock by vessels catching pollock for processing by the inshore component greater than 99 ft (30.2 m) LOA before reaching the inshore SCA harvest limit during the A season to accommodate fishing by vessels less than or equal to 99 ft (30.2 m) inside the SCA for the duration of the inshore seasonal opening."**Listed AFA Catcher/Processor Sideboard Limits**

Under regulations at § 679.64(a), the Regional Administrator will restrict the ability of listed AFA catcher/processors to engage in directed fishing for non-pollock groundfish species to protect participants in other groundfish fisheries from adverse effects resulting from the AFA and from fishery cooperatives in the directed pollock fishery. The catcher/processor sideboard limits for BSAI groundfish, other than Atka mackerel, Pacific cod and Pacific ocean perch, will be based on the 1995

through 1997 retained catch of such groundfish species by the 20 listed AFA catcher/processors listed in paragraphs (e)(1) through (e)(20) of section 208 of the AFA and the nine ineligible catcher/processors listed in section 209 of the AFA. Pacific cod catcher/processor sideboard limits will be based on 1997 retained catch only, and Pacific ocean perch in the Aleutian Islands subarea will be based on 1996 and 1997 retained catch only. The AFA catcher/processor sideboard limit for Atka mackerel is zero percent of the Bering Sea subarea and Eastern Aleutians District's annual TAC, 11.5 percent of the Central

Aleutian District's annual TAC, and 20 percent of the Western Aleutian District's annual TAC. The proposed 2004 catcher/processor sideboard limits are set out in Table 10 below.

All non-pollock groundfish that is harvested by listed AFA catcher/processors, whether as targeted catch or incidental catch, will be deducted from the proposed sideboard limits in Table 10. However, non-pollock groundfish that is delivered to listed catcher/processors by catcher vessels will not be deducted from the proposed 2004 sideboard limits for the listed catcher/processors.

TABLE 10.—PROPOSED 2004 LISTED BSAI AMERICAN FISHERIES ACT CATCHER/PROCESSOR GROUND FISH SIDEBOARD LIMITS

Target species/area	1995–1997			Proposed 2004 ITAC available to trawl C/Ps (mt)	Proposed 2004 C/P sideboard limit (mt)
	Retained catch (mt)	Available TAC (mt)	Ratio of Retained catch/Available TAC		
Pacific cod trawl: BSAI .....	12,424	51,450	0.241	45,105	10,870
Sablefish trawl:					
BS .....	8	1,736	0.005	1,130	6
AI .....	0	1,135	0.000	603	0
Atka mackerel:					
Western AI:					
A season <sup>1</sup> .....	n/a	n/a	0.200	8,496	1,699
HLA limit <sup>2</sup> .....	n/a	n/a	0.200	8,496	1,699
B season .....	n/a	n/a	0.200	8,496	1,699
HLA limit .....	n/a	n/a	0.200	8,496	1,699
Central AI:					
A season <sup>1</sup> .....	n/a	n/a	0.115	12,201	1,403
HLA limit .....	n/a	n/a	0.115	12,201	1,403
B season .....	n/a	n/a	0.115	12,201	1,403
HLA limit .....	n/a	n/a	0.115	12,201	1,403
Yellowfin sole: BSAI .....	100,192	527,000	0.190	71,188	13,526
Rock sole: BSAI .....	6,317	202,107	0.031	37,400	1,159
Greenland turbot:					
BS .....	121	16,911	0.007	2,278	16
AI .....	23	6,839	0.003	1,122	3
Arrowtooth flounder: BSAI .....	76	36,873	0.002	10,200	20
Flathead sole: BSAI .....	1,925	87,975	0.022	17,000	374
Alaska plaice: BSAI .....	3,243	.....	0.035	9,250	324
Other flatfish: BSAI .....	3,243	92,428	0.035	2,775	97