

TABLE 2.—APPORTIONMENT OF RESERVES TO ITAC CATEGORIES—Continued

[Amounts are in mt]

Species—area or subarea	Reserve amount	Final ITAC
Northern rockfish—Aleutian Islands subarea .....	441	5,438
Other rockfish—Bering Sea subarea .....	72	888
Other species—BSAI .....	2,423	29,886
Total .....	25,008	308,420

**Allocation of Pollock TAC Under the AFA**

Section 206(a) of the AFA requires the allocation of 10 percent of the BSAI pollock TAC as a CDQ reserve (§ 679.20(a)(5)(i)(A)). The remainder of the BSAI pollock TAC, after the subtraction of an allowance for the incidental catch of pollock by vessels (3.5 percent), including CDQ vessels, harvesting other groundfish species, is allocated as directed fishing allocations (DFA) as follows: 50 percent to catcher vessels harvesting pollock for processing by the inshore component, 40 percent to catcher/processors and catcher vessels harvesting pollock for processing by catcher/processors in the offshore component, and 10 percent to catcher vessels harvesting pollock for processing by motherships in the offshore component (§ 679.20(a)(5)(i)). These amounts are listed in Table 3.

The AFA also contains several specific requirements concerning pollock and pollock allocations. First, at § 679.20(a)(5)(i)(A)(4)(i) and (ii), NMFS will allocate 91.5 percent of the catcher/processor sector allocation to AFA catcher/processors engaged in directed fishing for pollock and 8.5 percent of the catcher/processor sector allocation to AFA catcher vessels delivering to catcher/processors unless changed by the cooperative contracts. Second, unlisted AFA catcher/processors (§ 679.4(k)(1)(2)(ii)) are limited to harvesting not more than 0.5 percent of the catcher/processor sector allocation of pollock (§ 679.20(a)(5)(i)(A)(4)(iii)).

Table 3 also lists seasonal apportionments of pollock and harvest limits within the SCA. Regulations implementing Steller sea lion protection measures at § 679.20(a)(5)(ii)(A)(1) apportion the pollock directed fishing allowances allocated to each component

into two seasonal allowances. The first allowance, 40 percent of the DFA, is made available for directed fishing from January 20 to June 10 (“A” season), and the second seasonal allowance, 60 percent of the DFA, is made available from June 10 to November 1 (“B” season)(Table 3). The harvest within the SCA, as defined at § 679.22(a)(7)(vii), is limited to 28 percent of the annual DFA until April 1. The remaining 12 percent of the annual DFA allocated to the A season may be taken outside of the SCA before April 1 or inside the SCA after April 1. If 28 percent of the annual DFA is not taken inside the SCA before April 1, the remainder is available to be taken inside the SCA after April 1. The A season pollock SCA harvest limit will be apportioned to each industry sector in proportion to each sector’s allocated percentage of the DFA as set forth in the AFA.

TABLE 3.—2003 ALLOCATIONS OF THE POLLOCK TAC AND DIRECTED FISHING ALLOWANCE (DFA) TO THE INSHORE, CATCHER/PROCESSOR, MOTHERSHIP, AND CDQ COMPONENTS <sup>1</sup>

[Amounts are in mt]

Area and sector	2003 allocations	A Season <sup>1</sup>		B Season <sup>1</sup>
		A season DFA (40% of Annual DFA)	SCA harvest limit <sup>2</sup>	B season DFA (60% of Annual DFA)
Bering Sea subarea .....	1,491,760	.....	.....	.....
CDQ .....	149,176	59,670	41,769	89,506
ICA <sup>3</sup> .....	46,990	.....	.....	.....
AFA Inshore .....	647,797	259,119	181,383	388,678
AFA Catcher/Processors <sup>4</sup> .....	518,237	207,295	145,106	310,942
Catch by C/Ps <sup>4</sup> .....	474,187	189,675	.....	284,512
Catch by CVs <sup>4</sup> .....	44,050	17,620	.....	26,430
Restricted C/P cap <sup>5</sup> .....	2,591	1,036	.....	1,555
AFA Motherships .....	129,559	51,824	36,277	77,736
Excessive harvesting share <sup>6</sup> .....	226,729	.....	.....	.....
Aleutian Islands ICA <sup>7</sup> .....	1,000	.....	.....	.....
Bogoslof District ICA <sup>7</sup> .....	50	.....	.....	.....

<sup>1</sup> After subtraction for the CDQ reserve (10 percent) and the ICA (3.5 percent), the pollock TAC is allocated as a DFA: inshore component—50 percent, catcher/processor component—40 percent, and mothership component—10 percent. Under § 679.20(a)(5)(i)(A), the CDQ reserve for pollock is 10 percent. The A season, January 20—June 10, is allocated 40 percent of the DFA and the B season, June 10—November 1, is allocated 60 percent of the DFA.

<sup>2</sup> No more than 28 percent of each sector’s annual DFA may be taken from the SCA before April 1. The remaining 12 percent of the annual DFA allocated to the A season may be taken outside of SCA before April 1 or inside the SCA after April 1. If 28 percent of the annual DFA is not taken inside the SCA before April 1, the remainder is available to be taken inside the SCA after April 1.

<sup>3</sup> The pollock ICA for the BS subarea is 3.5 percent of the TAC after subtraction of the CDQ reserve.

<sup>4</sup> Under § 679.20(a)(5)(i)(A)(4)(i) and (ii), NMFS will allocate 91.5 percent of the catcher/processor sector allocation to AFA catcher/processors engaged in directed fishing for pollock and 8.5 percent of the catcher/processor sector allocation to AFA catcher vessels delivering to catcher/processors unless changed by the cooperative contracts.

<sup>5</sup> Under § 679.20(a)(5)(i)(A)(4)(iii), unlisted AFA catcher/processors are limited to harvesting not more than 0.5 percent of the catcher/processor sector allocation of pollock.