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The Honourable Bruce Cohen
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Commission of Inquiry into the Decline
of Sockeye Salmon in the Fraser River
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Dear Commissioner Cohen:

I write in response to your letters of October 6 and November 9, 2011, in which you provide an updated budget forecasts for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, and letters of October 11, November 7, and November 21, 2011, in which you set out your recommendations to modify the funding for a number of participants under the Contribution Program.

I note that you are predicting a potential deficit of \$296,833 for this fiscal year; and further, that you have requested an increase in your budget of \$991,542.45. I agree that the pressures you have identified are real, and reflect the breadth and scope of your work, including the necessity of assessing concerns raised about the possible presence of the ISA virus on the British Columbia coast. I also note that you have identified a number of efficiencies.

I am mindful that the Commission has remained within forecast for each of the preceding fiscal years, and moreover, that it is anticipated that it will be in a position to complete its work within the global budget of approximately \$26.4 million over four fiscal years. In light of this, the Privy Council Office is giving active consideration as to how best to address the pressures identified in your correspondence, and my officials will keep your staff apprised of the results of their efforts in this regard.

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However, as you will appreciate, the current fiscal context means the ability to identify additional funding is quite limited. Accordingly, I would ask that your staff continue to work closely with my staff in identifying any further efficiencies and economies, so as to respect the budget to the fullest extent possible.

Turning next to your recommended changes to the funding levels for the West Coast Trollers Area G Association and United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union, First Nations Coalition, Area D Salmon Gillnet Association and Area B Harvest Committee (Seine) and Métis Nation British Columbia, I note these recommendations are consistent with the terms and conditions of the Contribution Program. I also note that you have carefully reviewed the applications for additional funding, and have concluded that not all resources requested are in fact necessary. Further, I also note that the additional funding recommended for the eight participants having standing on aquaculture and disease issues seems appropriate, given your decision to review the ISA issue in December.

However, as I had advised in my letter of September 14, 2011, the unencumbered balance remaining under the Contribution Program is approximately \$50,885. As the additional costs of the recommendations are approximately \$261,433, approving your recommendations would over-commit the Contribution Program by approximately \$210,548.

As I mentioned in my letter of June 9, 2010, and repeated in my letter of September 14, 2011, the Government expects that the established budget be respected. That said, the experience of previous fiscal years suggests that it is unlikely that all participants will expend the allocated amounts, particularly if the costs of the additional days can be carefully controlled.

In light of this, and my earlier remarks on the overall budget, I am prepared to approve your recommendations for changes to the funding levels for these participants.

I wish you well in your important work.

Sincerely yours,



Wayne G. Wouters

Commission of Inquiry
into the Decline of
Sockeye Salmon in the Fraser River



Commission d'enquête
sur le déclin des populations
de saumon rouge du fleuve Fraser

October 11, 2011

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Dear Mr. Wouters:

Re: Recommendation for Changes to Participant Funding for Fiscal 2011-2011, under the Contribution Program for Cohen Commission

On 12 May 2010 (as amended 19 May 2010), I recommended that certain participant standing groups be granted funding for legal fees in order to participate in the Inquiry (the "Initial Recommendation"). On 9 June 2010, you advised that the Government of Canada had granted funding as I had recommended, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Treasury Board Contribution Program, to a maximum limit of \$3,423,200. During the 2010-2011 fiscal year, I recommended, and the Government of Canada approved, some adjustments to the Initial Recommendation in respect of a few participant groups, none of which resulted in an increase in budget to the Contribution Program.

On 8 March 2011, I recommended, and the Government of Canada approved, further adjustments under the Contribution Program for the past fiscal year (2010-2011), as well as additional funding for the current fiscal year (2011-2012).

At the time of my 8 March 2011 recommendation, Commission Counsel estimated 70 days would be required to conclude the Inquiry's hearings. I recommended that each funded participant receive a specific amount of funding based on the estimated hearing days and their direct interest in specific topics, as outlined in the Standing Ruling.

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On 24 August 2011, I recommended, and the Government of Canada approved, supplementary funding for fiscal 2011-2012 for the Aquaculture Coalition.

I have received three further applications for supplementary funding. They are as follows:

1. On 6 September 2011, I received notification from the West Coast Trollers Area G Association and United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union ("Area G") that its senior counsel had used over 75% of his allotted funding. On 21 September 2011, Area G submitted an application requesting additional funding for 2011-2012 to cover work performed to date as well as to the conclusion of the Inquiry. Area G seeks to reallocate 103.7 hours from its junior counsel to its senior counsel (accounting for the increase in the hourly rate for senior counsel, this proposal has the effect of making 47.4 additional hours available to senior counsel). In addition to this reallocation, Area G seeks a further 213.2 hours for senior counsel. The additional cost to the contribution program, excluding taxes, would be approximately \$75,000.
2. On 16 August 2011, I received notification from the First Nations Coalition that its senior counsel had expended 75% of the allotted hours. The First Nations Coalition sought supplementary funding to cover its counsel's work through to the conclusion of the Inquiry. Its request for additional funding includes reallocating hours among counsel (to effectively utilize their current funding), which has the effect of reducing the overall supplement sought for senior counsel. After that reallocation of hours, they seek 160 additional hours for senior counsel. The approximate cost, excluding taxes, would be \$56,000.
3. On August 26, 2011, I received notification from Area D Salmon Gillnet Association and Area B Harvest Committee (Seine) ("Areas D and B") that their senior counsel had used over 75% of his allotted funding; that letter also provided an estimate of hours required to cover senior counsel's work until the conclusion of the Inquiry. On 7 September 2011, Areas D and B submitted an application requesting 191.50 hours of supplementary funding for senior counsel at an approximate cost of \$67,025.

I have considered each of these applications from the present vantage point, of having completed the evidentiary hearings but with the closing submissions to follow in the coming weeks. This perspective permits me to consider the applications with an appreciation of the nature and extent of the involvement of these funding applicants in the course of this Inquiry's evidentiary hearings. Having considered each of these applications on its own merits, I am prepared to make the following recommendations:

West Coast Trollers Area G Association and United Fisherman and Allied Workers Union

The reallocation of hours from junior to senior counsel has the effect of making an additional 47.4 hours available to senior counsel, without any change in the cost. I note that this participant group is being responsible in transferring legal funding within their group before seeing additional funds. I am prepared to recommend that reallocation.

With respect to the additional time sought for senior counsel, the 213.2 additional hours are significant. I note that my original recommendation for 2011-2012 funding, for all participants, was based on 70 days of hearings. The actual number of hearings days is 72 (67 evidentiary hearing days plus five days for closing submissions), in addition to which there were two days of roundtable discussions on proposed recommendations. Based on the calculations used in my funding recommendations for the 2010-2011 fiscal year — and the formula applied to calculate preparation time required per hearing day — there is a basis to increase the funding for this participant. I accept that the additional hearing time has necessitated additional work, and justifies recommending additional funding for Area G's senior counsel totalling 52.6 hours. In combination with the reallocation of hours from junior to senior counsel, this will have the effect of providing 100 additional hours for senior counsel (10 hours hearing attendance; 90 hours preparation, including attendance at and preparation for roundtable discussions).

I do not accept (and will not recount) all of the arguments advanced by this applicant in support of additional funding. However, Area G's application provides a number of bases that do collectively support some additional funding. I note that this participant's senior counsel was actively involved in the course of hearings. In particular, he played a significant role in the cross-examination of witnesses in the scientifically complex subject area of cumulative effects. I accept that he did so at the request of, and on behalf of, counsel for other participants from both the commercial and recreational sectors, and in this manner permitted a more efficient process overall, albeit one that necessarily resulted in him spending more time. These factors, coupled with my knowledge from the hearings generally, and the fact that this group has reduced the participation of its junior counsel in order to offset the participation of its senior counsel, lead me to the conclusion that additional preparation time, over and above the formula I have previously applied, is warranted for this group. I therefore recommend an additional 75 hours in preparation time for senior counsel.

The result of my above recommendations is 127.6 new hours for senior counsel at a cost of approximately \$44,660 and a reallocation of a further 47.4 hours from junior to senior counsel.

First Nations Coalition

As with Area G, I view the First Nations Coalition's reallocation of hours among counsel as straightforward and a responsible way to meet the group's funding needs. I am prepared to make that recommendation. This reallocation will result in an additional 56.25 hours for senior counsel.

With respect to the additional time sought for senior counsel, the 160 additional hours are significant. As noted above, two additional hearing days and two days of roundtable discussions on proposed recommendations were added since my recommendations for this fiscal year. Based on the calculations used in my funding recommendations for the 2010-2011 fiscal year — and the formula applied to calculate preparation time required per

hearing day — there is a basis to increase the funding for this participant. I accept that the additional hearing time has necessitated additional work, and justifies recommending additional funding for the First Nations Coalition's senior counsel totalling 44 hours. In combination with the reallocation of hours from other counsel, this will have the effect of providing 100 additional hours for senior counsel (10 hours hearing attendance; 90 hours preparation, including attendance at and preparation for roundtable discussions).

Additionally, I am satisfied that the application materials identify a basis for additional funding for senior counsel beyond the formula based on hearing days. This group has the largest and most diverse and complex client base of all the participant group participant groups, requiring additional counsel time to consult, avoid conflicts, and achieve consensus among clients. Further, while I, as Commissioner, was not present for the roundtable discussions among participants, I understand from the First Nation Coalition's senior counsel, and I am similarly advised by commission counsel, that senior counsel for the First Nations Coalition put considerable work into developing and submitting detailed proposed recommendations for those meetings, and took a lead role in facilitating the discussion in those meetings. As well, I am mindful that the reallocation of funds among counsel deprives this group of almost 90 hours of assistance from other counsel. These factors, coupled with my knowledge from the hearings generally, lead me to the conclusion that additional preparation time, over and above the formula I have previously applied, is warranted for this group. I therefore recommend an additional 117 hours in preparation time for senior counsel.

The result of my above recommendations is 160 new hours for senior counsel at a cost of approximately \$56,000 and a reallocation of 56.25 hours from other counsel to senior counsel.

The First Nations Coalition also sought additional funding to review and report to their participant group clients on the commission's final report. I do not make any recommendation for funding beyond what is permitted under Part III, s. 1(d) of the Contribution Program, which is 5 hours.

Area D Salmon Gillnet Association and Area B Harvest Committee (Seine)

Areas D and B have not sought any reallocation of counsel hours. They seek an additional 191.5 hours for senior counsel exclusively. In seeking that recommendation, Areas D and B refer to the additional hearing time; to their involvement in particular hearings of importance to their participant group; and to the preparation of written submissions incorporating a review of transcripts from many of the hearings. I accept that the additional hearing time has necessitated additional work, and think it appropriate to recommend additional funding for Areas D and B's senior counsel totalling 100 hours (10 hours hearing attendance; 90 hours preparation, including attendance at roundtable discussions). I do not see any exceptional basis in the material before me to recommend funding beyond the levels set out in the formulas I have previously applied.

The result of this recommendation is 100 new hours for senior counsel at a cost of approximately \$35,000.

For all these applications, the calculations I have used are based on each participant's standing, and, with the exceptions noted above, employ the same formula that was used in my funding recommendations for the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

The reallocation and addition of hours, into specific categories of work, for counsel are set out in the enclosed tables, "Recommended Funding for 2011-2012". I have also attached a "Supplementary Recommendation for Recipient Funding Checklists" which identifies the breakdown of funding for each fiscal year.

I look forward to your reply concerning these recommendations.

Sincerely yours,



Bruce Cohen
Commissioner

Enclosures



November 7, 2011

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Dear Mr. Wouters:

Re: Funding modification for Métis Nation British Columbia

On 12 May 2010 (as amended 19 May 2010), I recommended that certain standing groups be granted funding for legal fees in order to participate in the Inquiry. On 9 June 2010, you advised that the Government of Canada had granted funding as I had recommended. Subsequently, I have made additional recommendations with respect to funding for participants in the Inquiry, which I will not recite here.

I write now with respect to the Métis Nation British Columbia ("MNBC"), a participant in the Inquiry. Counsel for MNBC seeks to substitute an articulated student in place of its junior lawyer; that lawyer no longer acts as counsel for MNBC.

I have considered this application in light of clause 10(b)(ii) of the Contribution Program, which provides as follows:

Payment of counsel fees under this Program is, except in extraordinary circumstances identified by the Commissioner, limited to one senior and one junior counsel per recipient.

I have also considered my ruling of 28 September 2010, in which I addressed what is meant by "extraordinary circumstances" in these terms:

5. The context for determining "extraordinary circumstances" is that grants for funding of legal fees are intended to ensure the "appropriate participation of any person

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granted standing” (Terms of Reference a.x.). “Extraordinary circumstances” should therefore relate to the funded participant's ability or capacity to participate appropriately in the Inquiry. I read “appropriate participation” to mean participation that effectively allows representation on the interests for which I have granted standing, and participation that furthers the Inquiry’s investigation in a timely and cost-effective manner.

6. Extraordinary circumstances do not arise because of convenience for a participant, nor because this Inquiry might be considered “exceptional” or different in contrast with other commissions. These are factors that are common to every participant and joint-participant before the Inquiry; they are simply not extraordinary....

This is not a case of a participant seeking to expand the size of its legal team. This participant seeks a substitution. In this case, senior counsel for MNBC confirms he will ensure the proposed articulated student is acting under his supervision.

I am persuaded, in the particular circumstances of this application, that MNBC has established extraordinary circumstances that make it appropriate to recommend the substitution they seek. I reach this conclusion for the following reasons. This application arises after the commission’s evidentiary hearings have concluded, but before closing submissions are complete. In this context, with the focus of the student’s work being on final submissions, and understanding counsel to say that this type of assistance would best represent his clients, it seems me that the funding being sought would indeed further the Inquiry’s overall process in a timely and cost-effective manner. There is no expansion of the legal team being proposed; this continues to involve two legal representatives for this participant, albeit one who is an articulated student.

The context for the articulated student’s proposed involvement is the stage we are now at, with the evidentiary phase of the commission’s hearings having concluded (save for the topic of the ISA virus, although I observe that MNBC did not participate in the disease or aquaculture hearings previously and as such would not participate in further evidentiary hearings now). Since the evidence is in, the proposed work by the articulated student involves the much smaller and distinct task of assisting with respect to closing submissions. Further, I note the student would be supervised by his principal in accordance with the Law Society’s articling program.

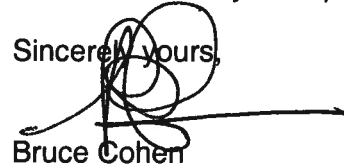
The fee schedule set out in clause 10(a)(i) of the Contribution Program indicates that the hourly rate for an articulated student’s work is considerably lower than the rate for a lawyer who is called to the Bar. As such, the proposed modification of funding for MNBC results in a reduction in the amount of funding necessary for this participant. (There is no change sought for the number of hours for this participant group.)

In light of these factors, I have concluded that extraordinary circumstances exist, making it appropriate to make the recommendation sought. I therefore recommend that MNBC be permitted to substitute its articulated student in place of its junior counsel, as of the date of their application, 11 October 2011.

I enclose a table setting out the recommended changes and a "Supplementary Recommendation for Recipient Funding Checklist."

I look forward to your reply concerning this recommendation.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Bruce Cohen", written over a horizontal line. The signature is somewhat stylized and loops back.

Bruce Cohen
Commissioner

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November 21, 2011

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Dear Mr Wouters:

Re: Contribution Program – Recommendation for funding related to ISAv hearings

On 12 May 2010 (as amended 19 May 2010), I recommended that certain participant standing groups be granted funding for legal fees in order to participate in the Inquiry (the "Initial Recommendation"). On 9 June 2010, you advised that the Government of Canada had granted funding as I had recommended, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Treasury Board Contribution Program, to a maximum limit of \$3,423,200. During the 2010-2011 fiscal year, I recommended, and the Government of Canada approved, some adjustments to the Initial Recommendation in respect of a few participant groups, none of which resulted in an increase in cost to the Contribution Program.

On 8 March 2011, I recommended further adjustments under the Contribution Program for the past fiscal year (2010 – 2011), as well as additional funding for the current fiscal year (2011 – 2012). You advised that the Government of Canada had granted funding as I had recommended.

Since March 2011, I have recommended some adjustments or additions in relation to various participants for the 2011-2012 fiscal year. Some of these have been approved and I await answers on some of the more recent requests.

Commission counsel has recently asked me, and I have agreed, to hold two more days of hearings in order that new information arising since the beginning of October, specifically, information concerning tests for ISA virus in wild pacific salmon and the responses of DFO, be put in evidence before the commission for consideration in my findings and recommendations. The two days of hearings are currently set for December 15 and 16, 2011. I do not expect that receiving this additional information into evidence will delay my final report.

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I write to you now to recommend that all currently funded participants with standing on issues of disease and/or aquaculture be granted further funds to cover the costs of legal counsel for an additional two days of hearings, including preparation time. The total cost of this recommendation to the contribution program is \$146,433.

The funding I am recommending accounts for the following:

- Attendance at hearings: 10 hours (2 days x 5 hours) for senior counsel. There are two exceptions to this. I have previously ruled that exceptional circumstances exist for the First Nation Coalition to have two paid counsel attend hearings. I am also prepared to permit the Conservation Coalition to claim legal fees for two counsel to attend these hearings. This group's senior counsel, Mr. Leadem, is unavailable for the December dates so the group wishes to substitute another counsel, Ms. Campbell, in his place. As Ms. Campbell is new to the file the group requests that junior counsel, Mr. Harrison be permitted to assist her at the hearings. I note that the change in counsel from Mr. Leadem to Ms. Campbell results in a cost saving to the contribution program, even if both Ms. Campbell and Mr. Harrison attend the hearings;
- Preparation time: 23 hours for senior counsel and 27 hours for junior counsel.
- Preparation of supplementary final submissions: 5 hours for senior counsel and 5 hours for junior counsel; and
- Disbursements: A 3% increase in the disbursement and travel allowances for the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

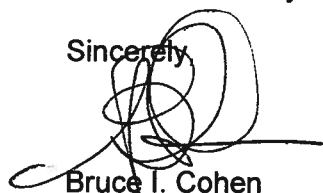
The formula used for determining funding for the ISAv hearings reflects the level of need that I have already determined exists for the funded participants, based on evidence provided to me in participants' initial funding applications. It also reflects the commission's experience to date, that senior counsel have required more preparation time than what has been allotted to them, resulting in many requests to redistribute funding or for additional funding. To address this, I have increased senior counsel preparation hours to provide 10 additional hours above what the previously used formula would have dictated.

I enclose tables setting out the recommended changes for each affected participant group, as well as the "Supplementary Recommendation for Recipient Funding Checklists" for each group.

Given the dates for the hearing I would be grateful if this recommendation could be responded to at your earliest convenience.

I look forward to your reply concerning this recommendation.

Sincerely,



Bruce I. Cohen
Commissioner

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Note: The financial details for each recipient in the Commissioner's supplementary recommendation for funding approved by the Privy Council Office are not included here to protect the confidentiality attaching to the financial information of the applicants for funding. The following tables, however, summarize the number of counsel hours underlying the approved recommendation for each participant.

**Revised December 22, 2011 – Approval of November 21, 2011 Recommendation
Aquaculture Coalition, SALM-CA-08**

Fiscal Year 2010/11

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearings; Interviews; Meetings and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	103	373
Attendance at hearing	51	17
Application for Standing	10	0
Release of interim report	5	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	169	390

Fiscal Year 2011/12

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	237	332
Attendance at hearing	144	31
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	381	363

Fiscal Year 2012/13

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	0	0
Attendance at hearing	0	0
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	5	0
Total:	5	0

**Revised December 22, 2011 – Approval of November 21, 2011 Recommendation
Conservation Coalition, SALM-CA-09**

Fiscal Year 2010/11

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearings; Interviews; Meetings and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	325	925
Attendance at hearing	195	105
Application for Standing	10	0
Release of interim report	5	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	535	1030

Fiscal Year 2011/12

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	405	1105
Attendance at hearing	236	132
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	641	1237

Fiscal Year 2012/13

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	0	0
Attendance at hearing	0	0
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	5	0
Total:	5	0

**Revised December 22, 2011 – Approval of October 11 and November 21, 2011 Recommendations
Area D Salmon Gillnet Association and Area B Harvest Committee (Seine), SALM-CA-10
Fiscal Year 2010/11**

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearings; Interviews; Meetings and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	416	573
Attendance at hearing	187	65
Application for Standing	10	0
Release of interim report	5	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	618	638

Fiscal Year 2011/12

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	359	665
Attendance at hearing	158	75
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	517	772

Fiscal Year 2012/13

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	0	0
Attendance at hearing	0	0
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	5	0
Total:	5	0

**Revised December 22, 2011 – Approval of October 11, 2011 Recommendations
West Coast Trollers Area G Association & United Fisherman and Allied Workers’ Union
SALM-CA-12
Fiscal Year 2010/11**

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearings; Interviews; Meetings and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	163	279
Attendance at hearing	150	76
Application for Standing	10	0
Release of interim report	5	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	328	355

Fiscal Year 2011/12

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	354	459
Attendance at hearing	114	2.3
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	468	461.3

Fiscal Year 2012/13

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	0	0
Attendance at hearing	0	0
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	5	0
Total:	5	0

**Revised December 22, 2011 – Approval of October 11 and November 21, 2011 Recommendations
 First Nations Coalition, SALM-CA-16
 Fiscal Year 2010/11**

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearings; Interviews; Meetings and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	601	1356
Attendance at hearing	300	300
Application for Standing	40	0
Release of interim report	5	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	946	1656

Fiscal Year 2011/12

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	775.5	1702
Attendance at hearing	335.50	390
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	1111	2092

Fiscal Year 2012/13

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	0	0
Attendance at hearing	0	0
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	5	0
Total:	5	0

Revised December 22, 2011 – Approval of November 7, 2011 Recommendation**Métis Nation, SALM-CA-17****Fiscal Year 2010/11**

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearings; Interviews; Meetings and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	124	322
Attendance at hearing	64	35
Application for Standing	10	0
Release of interim report	5	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	203	357

Fiscal Year 2011/12

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	144	373
Attendance at hearing	74	41
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	218	414

Fiscal Year 2012/13

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	0	0
Attendance at hearing	0	0
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	5	0
Total:	5	0

**Revised December 22, 2011 – Approval of November 21, 2011 Recommendation
Sto:lo Tribal Council and Cheam Indian Band, SALM-CA-18**

Fiscal Year 2010/11

Activity	Hours for Junior Counsel #1	Hours for Junior Counsel #2
Preparation for hearings; Interviews; Meetings and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	463	464
Attendance at hearing	110	109
Application for Standing	10	10
Release of interim report	5	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	588	583

Fiscal Year 2011/12

Activity	Hours for Junior Counsel #1	Hours for Junior Counsel #2
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	597	538
Attendance at hearing	138	126
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	735	664

Fiscal Year 2012/13

Activity	Hours for Junior Counsel#1	Hours for Junior Counsel #2
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	0	0
Attendance at hearing	0	0
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	0	5
Total:	0	5

**Revised December 22, 2011 – Approval of November 21, 2011 Recommendation
 Laich-kwil-tach Treaty Society, Chief Harold Sewid & Aboriginal Aquaculture Association
 SALM-CA-19**

Fiscal Year 2010/11

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearings; Interviews; Meetings and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	176	530
Attendance at hearing	108	56
Application for Standing	30	0
Release of interim report	5	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	319	586

Fiscal Year 2011/12

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	232	647
Attendance at hearing	136	65
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	368	712

Fiscal Year 2012/13

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	0	0
Attendance at hearing	0	0
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	5	0
Total:	5	0

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Musgagmagw Tsawataineuk Tribal Council, SALM-CA-20
Fiscal Year 2010/11**

Activity	Hours for Junior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearings; Interviews; Meetings and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	203	111
Attendance at hearing	43	23
Application for Standing	10	0
Release of interim report	5	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	261	134

Fiscal Year 2011/12

Activity	Hours for Junior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	315	108
Attendance at hearing	70	17
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	385	125

Fiscal Year 2012/13

Activity	Hours for Junior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	0	0
Attendance at hearing	0	0
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	5	0
Total:	5	0

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Heiltsuk Tribal Council, SALM-CA-21
Fiscal Year 2010/11

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearings; Interviews; Meetings and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	88	265
Attendance at hearing	54	28
Application for Standing	10	0
Release of interim report	5	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	157	293

Fiscal Year 2011/12

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	130	339
Attendance at hearing	73	32
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	0	0
Total:	203	371

Fiscal Year 2012/13

Activity	Hours for Senior Counsel	Hours for Junior Counsel
Preparation for hearing; Interviews, Meeting and other occasions deemed necessary by the Commissioner; Preparation of submissions; Review of materials	0	0
Attendance at hearing	0	0
Release of interim report	0	0
Release of final report	5	0
Total:	5	0