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### Alaska Wild Seafood Featured in Boston

(February 9, 2006) The State of Alaska and private Alaska processors and retailers are bringing the fresh taste of Alaska seafood to the Boston Seafood Show for an invitation-only event. Go Wild Alaska Style: Boston 2006 will be held Monday, March 13 from 5:30 to 10 p.m. Members of the media must RSVP for location information.

Come feast on fresh, wild Alaska king crab, halibut, salmon, oysters and shrimp prepared by executive chefs. Mingle with industry professionals who know Alaska seafood.

Carefully managed—Alaska seafood is the freshest, wildest and most carefully managed seafood resource in the world. Approximately 56% of the entire U.S. seafood harvest comes from Alaska's waters, and the Alaskan ports of Dutch Harbor/Unalaska and Kodiak were ranked first and fifth in the U.S., respectively, for the value of their fisheries in 2003.

In demand—Export numbers don't lie, Alaska seafood is in demand world-wide. In 1998 Alaska exported about \$1 billion in seafood—once the numbers are completely in for 2005, seafood exports from Alaska are expected to top \$2 billion.

Health benefits—Alaska's marine habitats are nearly pollution-free compared to the rest of the world. Feeding on organic marine organisms, Alaska Seafood is additive-free and provides healthful, natural vitamins, minerals, nutrients and heart-healthy polyunsaturated fats.

Alaska Dept. of Commerce Commissioner Bill Noll, national award-winning Alaska Native band Pamyua, Alaska seafood and tourism experts, and seafood buyers and sellers will be on-hand for one-on-one interviews.

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