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**SEAFOOD COMPANIES RECEIVE
NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR HUNGER RELIEF EFFORTS**

Seattle—The At-Sea Processors Association (APA) is receiving America's Second Harvest Special Recognition Award. The award recognizes the extraordinary efforts of APA seafood companies to feed hungry Americans, and is being presented at America's Second Harvest National Conference on Sunday, September 29th in Snowbird, Utah.

Through its *Community Catch* program, APA member companies donate one million seafood meals annually for hunger relief. Working collaboratively with Bainbridge Island, Washington-based non-profit, SeaShare (formerly Northwest Food Strategies), APA companies contribute Alaska pollock, cod, and other seafood products, to America's Second Harvest, the largest domestic hunger-relief organization with more than 200 regional food banks and food rescue organizations that serve 23 million Americans each year.

"This award is well deserved. The innovative *Community Catch* program makes it possible for us to offer our affiliates high quality seafood," said Michael Halligan, Senior Vice President for Business Development and Logistics at America's Second Harvest.

Tuck Donnelly, executive director of SeaShare, who is presenting the award said, "Donations of fish to food bank programs are especially important because seafood is a great source of protein, and APA's *Community Catch* program is a great example of how seafood is boosting the nutritional resources of food banks across the nation."

"APA is proud of our partnerships with America's Second Harvest and SeaShare and grateful that America's Second Harvest has selected APA to receive its Special Recognition Award," said Trevor McCabe, APA's executive director. McCabe added, "APA members participate in healthy, sustainably managed fisheries, and we believe strongly in sharing our catch to fight hunger in America."

The Alaska pollock fishery, which is widely considered one of the best-managed fisheries in the world, accounts for almost one-third of all U.S. seafood landings. APA members produce fish fillets for fish & chips, fish sandwiches and frozen dinner as well as imitation crab products.

For additional information about APA, including its *Community Catch* program, please visit our website at www.atsea.org. Also, learn more about America's Second Harvest at www.secondharvest.org and SeaShare at www.seashare.org.

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