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APICDA Announces Executive Leadership Changes

Grant Mirick is promoted to Chief Operating Officer; Luke Fanning is hired as Chief Financial Officer.

Anchorage, Alaska – Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association (APICDA) is pleased to announce that Grant Mirick has been promoted to Chief Operating Officer (COO) and Luke Fanning has accepted the position of Chief Financial Officer (CFO). Mirick will continue to lead all of APICDA's seafood operations with responsibility for the overall success of quality, production and sales throughout our family of vertically integrated companies. Fanning has taken over the role of CFO from Robert Smith who retired in April. Fanning is accountable for the financial and risk management operations of the company, in additional to the monitoring of control systems designed to preserve company assets and report accurate financial results.

Mirick joined APICDA in April 2016, as the Director of Seafood Operations and has extensive experience in all aspects of the fishing industry in Alaska and Washington, in addition to a background in sales and value added product development in China, Japan and Thailand.

Fanning first became acquainted with APICDA in 2007, when he served as APICDA's banker. Prior to joining APICDA in May, Luke served as the Vice President and Regional Manager for First National Bank Alaska, where he managed a region including five bank branches and a portfolio of commercial loans and deposits.

"We are very happy to have such a strong and solid leadership team in place. Grant has played a vital role in strengthening our processing operations in Alaska and Kent, Washington. His industry experience, business acumen, and steady management style will continue to benefit APICDA and the communities we serve as we move forward and implement our strategic goals," said Larry Cotter, APICDA CEO. "Luke brings a solid background in banking and finance. The CFO is a key position; Luke has the training, strong track record and good judgment necessary to help APICDA excel."

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Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association (APICDA) is a non-profit dedicated to sustaining the communities and cultures of rural Alaska villages in the Aleutian-Pribilof region. APICDA is one of six western Alaska Community Development Quota (CDQ) organizations; the program allocates a percentage of all Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands quotas for groundfish, halibut and crab. The CDQ program was established to provide economically disadvantaged coastal communities the opportunity to generate capital to develop stable local economies based upon the fishing industry. APICDA and its subsidiary companies generate proceeds through the management of the quotas to achieve its charitable purpose of supporting the villages of Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski and St. George.