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Director, Office of Protected Resources
National Marine Fisheries Service
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
1315 East-West Highway
SSMC3, Room 13821
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3282

Dear Sir/Madam:

SUBJECT: 2020 MARINE SPECIES MONITORING REPORT FOR THE PACIFIC

The U.S. Navy is formally submitting to the Office of Protected Resources (OPR) the Navy's 2020 Marine Species Monitoring Report for the Pacific. This report satisfies requirements specified in Pacific-wide Letters of Authorization and Incidental Take Statements issued to U.S. Pacific Fleet. Given the size of the report with multiple associated technical appendices and based on previously stated desire from OPR staff, these documents will be made available for download via the Navy's monitoring website: <http://www.navy-marinespeciesmonitoring.us>

We appreciate your continued support in helping the U.S. Navy meet its environmental responsibilities. If there are any questions on these reports, my points of contact are Ms. Andrea Balla-Holden (360) 396-0002, Mr. Chip Johnson (619) 767-1567, or Ms. Julie Rivers (808) 474-6391.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. K. Hutchison".

A. K. HUTCHISON
Captain, USN
By direction of the Commander

Enclosure: 2020 Marine Species Monitoring Report for the Pacific (via website)

Copy to: Ms. Jolie Harrison, NMFS, Office of Protected Resources
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