

Samuelson named to development bank

Harvey Samuelson, former president of the Bristol Bay Native Corporation, has been appointed by Governor Jay Hammond to the board of the Alaska Commercial Fishing and Agriculture Bank.

Samuelson, a commercial fisherman from Dillingham has served previously on the board of Peter Pan Seafoods, formerly owned by the Bristol Bay Corporation.

Samuelson said the bank "has the opportunity to help develop the processing and

marketing capability which we lack in the seafood industry in Alaska. Marketing is the key to the success of the industry," he added.

The governor said he agrees with Samuelson's view "that developing new markets for Alaska's fishery products is the key to an expanded and successful seafood industry in the state."

The bank, which now has a president and vice-president of administration, is to become operational by mid-April.