

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE The Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere Washington, D.C. 20230

### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

# IN THE MATTER OF AMY N. INC., WILLIAM C. HAUCK, F/V SEA KING, Respondents. DOCKET NO. SE0900879

# ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR DISCRETIONARY REVIEW

This is a fisheries enforcement matter in which Respondents were charged with violations of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSFCMA), 16 U.S.C. §§ 1801 et. seq. On October 8 2009, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) issued an Amended Notice of Violation and Assessment of Civil Penalty (NOVA), jointly and severally, to Amy N., Inc. and William C. Hauck, corporate principal of Amy N. Inc. and the operator of the F/V Sea King. This NOVA was further amended on motion filed by NOAA on February 4, 2010. Based on the NOVA as amended, Respondents were charged with unlawful fishing from a headboat in federal waters without a permit, in violation of Section 307 of the MSFCMA, 16 U.S.C. § 1857(1)(A), and implementing regulations

After a hearing on February 10-11, 2010, an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued an Initial Decision in this case on July 19, 2010, finding that the Respondents had unlawfully fished in federal waters and assessed a \$1,500 civil penalty against the Respondents. Respondents filed a Petition for Discretionary Review on August 25, 2010.

Pursuant to 15 C.F.R. § 904.273, Respondents' petition for discretionary review is denied because Respondents have not demonstrated that the ALJ's Initial Decision warrants further review.

This order denying discretionary review constitutes the final administrative decision in this matter. The civil penalty imposed by the ALJ will become final on the date this Order is served on Respondents, and will become effective for purposes of Judicial Review on the date of service.

Dec 16, 2010

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Jane Vabchenco, Ph.D. Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere



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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this  $\frac{174}{2}$  day of  $\frac{32ecc_{co} b cc_{c}}{2}$ , 2010, I have served the foregoing Order Denying Petition for Discretionary Review upon the following parties and/or their designated representatives by certified mail, return receipt requested:

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