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Subject: Amended comment letter
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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Animal Welfare Institute, Cetacean Society International, and the Earth Island Institute's International Marine Mammal Project I would like to respectfully request that NMFS accept the attached amended comments on the Makah whaling Draft EIS. The attached comments should replace the revised comments sent electronically to this website at approximately 1:00 am on 8/16/08 which followed submission of the original comment letter at approximately midnight on 8/15/08. As requested in the cover e-mail that accompanied the original comment letter, AWI et al. requested the opportunity to submit an amended comment letter in order to have a chance to further proof the original letter, complete certain sections of the document, correct or clarify statements/claims in the document, and to otherwise correct deficiencies in the original comment letter. This request was made in light of the urgency which had to be assumed to complete the original comment letter. Please note that while corrections, additions, and clarifications were included in this amended draft, no substantive new issues were raised in this amended comment letter.

Thank you for considering this request and for replacing the original and revised comment letter with the attached amended version of the AWI et al. comment on the Makah DEIS.

Sincerely,

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