



Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation, Inc.

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### SURIMI'S DEVELOPMENT LEADER RESIGNS

On August 15, 1986, Christopher K. Mitchell will step down as executive director of the Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation, Inc. (AFDF). AFDF is a private membership fisheries organization dedicated to the development of Alaska's commercial fisheries.

"Most of my objectives have been accomplished in the four years since joining AFDF," Mitchell said. "It's time for the foundation to seek new energies, new directions. Surimi is successful now, and the foundation is heading into a new phase of its development work in conjunction with Alaska's salmon industry. It's a good time to make changes."

Mitchell, 43, was appointed executive director in May, 1982. Since then, the foundation has taken a national lead in establishing a U.S.-based surimi industry tapping the bountiful Alaska pollock resource. Since 1983, AFDF has invested more than \$4 million in this focused effort, including creating the first commercial U.S. pollock surimi plant in Kodiak, Alaska.

The Foundation is accepting applications for a new executive director until July 1, 1986. Applicants should have practical and private food industry experience, and project management skills.

Interested and qualified individuals should send resumes to AFDF, Attention: Executive Search Committee, 508 West Second Ave., Suite 212, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. (907) 276-7315.

AFDF is a private, non-profit corporation established to further product development and market expansion for Alaska's marine resources. The industry-supported foundation works closely with private companies to apply research and make changes in industrial and regulatory climates that will benefit private industry.

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