



MARINE MAMMAL COMMISSION

10 June 2024

Ms. Jolie Harrison, Chief
Permits and Conservation Division
Office of Protected Resources
National Marine Fisheries Service
1315 East-West Highway
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3225

Re: Permit Amendment Application No. 26593
(Adam Pack, Ph.D.,
University of Hawaii at Hilo)

Dear Ms. Harrison:

The Marine Mammal Commission (the Commission), in consultation with its Committee of Scientific Advisors on Marine Mammals, has reviewed the above-referenced permit amendment application with regard to the humaneness and *bona fide* criteria of the Marine Mammal Protection Act. The Commission believes that the proposed activities meet these requirements and recommends that the National Marine Fisheries Service issue the amendment, as requested. Kindly contact me if you have any questions concerning the Commission's recommendation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peter O. Thomas". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Peter O. Thomas, Ph.D.,
Executive Director