APPENDIX D. SAMPLE LAYOUT FOR A FISH PROCESSING PLANT

This is an example of a processing plant layout for salmon H&G or fillet production in a single story plant. The salmon are brought in totes and (A) dumped onto the deicing table and are fed into a heading machine (or alternatively to a heading table if heading is done manually). The heads are transferred to a grinder, the eggs are removed, and the carcass moves down a conveyer. The fish are slimed and placed onto a sorting table.

They then move to the next line (B) and are dumped onto a table for collaring and then into an automatic fillet machine. The fillets move down a trim table and through a pinbone removal machine. The fillets are then checked for quality and then placed into bags for freezing or into fillet boxes for fresh shipment.

A third optional line is shown (C), if the salmon are being sold H&G frozen, they can be glazed, bagged, weighed, boxed and strapped for shipment in a third optional line (C). Removing the glazer from the design, the layout may alternatively be used for weighing, boxing and strapping for fresh shipment.

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