Vertical Control

All sounding data were initially reduced to mean lower low water (MLLW) using unverified tidal data from two tide stations located in Reef Bight and Biorka Village, AK. Subcontractor John Oswald & Associates LLC (JOA) operated the gauges and e-mailed the data to the R/V Davidson at the end of every Julian day.

Gauge Gauge Type Location Latitude Longitude **Operational** Sutron Xpert/Paroscientific Biorka Village, Digiquartz (DAA H355 53°49'44"N 166°12'59" W June-August 9462645 AK digital bubbler gauge) Seabird SBE26 (w/submersible pressure 9462662 Reef Bight, AK 54°09'25"N 166°04'24" W June-August gauge)

Table 3 - Tide Gauges

TIDES

All sounding data were reduced to MLLW initially using unverified tidal data from the two tide stations located in Reef Bight and Biorka Village, AK. Tidal data for a twenty-four hour period UTC, (Alaska Daylight Time to UTC was +8 hours) was assembled by JOA and emailed to the R/V Davidson at the end of every Julian Day. A cumulative file for the gauges was updated each day by appending the new data.

January 10, 2008, JOA issued verified tidal data and final zoning for OPR-Q191-KR-07. The tidal zoning was modified by JOA, providing a more elaborate zoning scheme from those zones issued in the Statement of Work. For additional information, refer to JOA's Final Report in Appendix I, in the "OPR-Q191-KR-07 Horizontal & Vertical Control Report". All sounding data were then re-merged using CARIS HIPS and SIPS tide routine. Verified tidal data were used for all final Navigation BASE surfaces and S57 Feature files.⁹

During the OPR-Q191-KR-07 survey there were some unusual conditions regarding tidal information to note. Refer to the "OPR-Q191-KR-07 Horizontal & Vertical Control Report", Appendix I, for a more detailed description (Tidal Zoning for Krenitzens.doc) and tidal data.