



Faroe Islands North East Arctic Cod Fishery

Marine Stewardship Council Certification

Certification Body: DNV Business Assurance

Surveillance Audit

Information gathering phase extended till 17th of August

DNV Business Assurance is currently conducting **the first Surveillance Audit** for the **Faroe Islands North East Arctic Cod Fishery**.

According to the MSC Certification Requirements Version 1.2 dt. 10 January 2012 the overall surveillance score for this fishery is 0. The surveillance level for this fishery qualifies for a reduced surveillance every alternate year. It is therefore has been agreed with the client fishery that the first surveillance would be performed as an off-site audit.

The key purpose of the surveillance audit is:

- to review and evaluate the progress of the fishery against conditions/recommendations of certification raised during the full assessment;
- review any changes in the management systems;
- review changes or additions / deletions to regulations;
- review any personnel changes in scientific staff, key management or industry to evaluate impact on the management of the fishery;
- review any potential changes to the scientific basis of information.

Remote audit activities and information gathering have started in week 25 (17th June 2013) and are conducted by member of the original assessment team Dr. Stephen Lockwood and DNV Lead Auditor Mrs. Anna Kiseleva. Information gathering was expected to be completed by week 31 (29th July 2013). Due to unavailability of stakeholders during a summer vacation period (end of June – beginning of August), **the information gathering phase is therefore extended till 17th of August**.

Any parties (individuals or organizations) interested in providing input to the annual surveillance process, please contact DNV no later than **5 pm GMT on 10th August 2013** and provide:

- a) Your name and contact details
- b) Your association with the fishery
- c) The issues you would like to discuss (in order for us to arrange appropriate representation)
- d) Where and when you would like to meet

Information on this fishery can be found at:

http://www.msc.org/track-a-fishery/fisheries-in-the-program/certified/north-east-atlantic/faroe_island_north_east_arctic_cod/assessment-downloads

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