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## **Peer Reviewer Shortlist Consultation for the Chile Austral Hake (Merluccius australis) Industrial Trawl and Longline Fishery**

The MSC's Peer Review College has compiled a shortlist of potential peer reviewers to undertake the peer review for [Chile Austral hake \(Merluccius australis\) industrial trawl and longline](#) which is in its first assessment process with the Conformity Assessment Body SAI Global. Two peer reviewers will be selected from the following list:

- David W. Japp
- Geoff Tingley
- Nancie Cummings
- Tom Jagielo

A summary of their experience and qualifications is included on the following pages. Further details of their experience are available on request by email to the [Peer Review College](#).

Interested stakeholders are encouraged to submit comments on potential conflicts of interest of the shortlisted reviewers with the fishery to the Peer Review College by email, telephone or post at the number and address below.

For further details and background to the Peer Review College, please visit the MSC's [Program Improvements website](#).

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The deadline for responses to the consultation is **17:00 GMT, 10 days from the publication date of this announcement on the MSC's website.**

### David W. Japp

David Japp is a Fisheries Scientist with an undergraduate degree in Zoology and Oceanography and post graduate degrees (Masters and Honours) in Fisheries Science. Presently he is director of Capricorn Fisheries Monitoring (CapFish) in South Africa, working extensively in fisheries in South Africa as well as regionally and internationally.

He was previously employed at the Sea Fisheries Research Institute (SFRI) from 1988 to 1997 as a biologist and manager and at the time he left this institution was head of the offshore resources section (demersal and pelagic stocks). His role at SFRI (now The Department of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries) was primarily management, biology and resource assessment and he was responsible for the submission of management advice on hake and other demersal stocks. He was also responsible for, planned and lead demersal biomass surveys in the period employed at SFRI. Mr Japp has retained an intimate knowledge of all aspects of the demersal and other fisheries including the trawling methods. He has authored many fisheries-related papers as well as numerous technical reports for the FAO. Mr Japp has also provided many expert reports for Environmental Impact Assessments relating to fisheries and has an intimate knowledge of Southern African and global fisheries and associated recruitment processes and related environmental characteristics. He also consults to FAO and the World Bank on fisheries-related issues including high-seas guidelines, Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries (EAF) and project development, appraisal and implementation in the East African and West Indian Ocean regions. Regarding the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC), Mr Japp was an assessor of the South African hake fishery from 2002 through to reassessment in 2009. He is presently on the assessment teams for Tristan da Chuna lobster, Sea of Okhotsk Pollock, Namibian Hake and PNA Purse seine. He has conducted pre-assessments for Kenya lobster, Tanzanian octopus, Mozambique shrimp, Uruguay hake, Patagonian toothfish and South Africa tuna pole (albacore) amongst others. He is a member of the MSC peer review college and has refereed numerous MSC assessments and also supervises MSC-related Chain of Custody audits in South Africa.

### Geoff Tingley

Dr Geoff Tingley has over 30 years experience in academia, government and the private sector, mostly working in marine & freshwater fisheries research and applied fisheries management. His long-term focus has been on improving the sustainability of fisheries world-wide, using tools such as the MSC certification scheme and fishery improvement projects (FIPs) with Sustainable Fisheries Partnership (SFP).

Dr Tingley has been a Principal Scientist at both Cefas in the UK, and then at New Zealand's Ministry of Primary Industries, where he provided advice on the science & management of deepwater and inshore fisheries both within the EEZ and for the NZ high seas fisheries in the Pacific. This included abundance estimation and stock assessments of hoki, orange roughy, ling, hake, sharks, squid & rock lobster, as well as understanding and mitigating the environmental impacts of fishing. He chaired a Deepwater Fisheries Assessment Working Group and provided advice on fisheries science & management both within the Ministry and to industry.

Dr Tingley has also advised on MSC certification, including stock status (P1), ecosystem elements of by-catch, benthic, ecosystem and ETP impacts (P2) and fisheries management (P3) (including hake, ling, orange roughy, oreo, squid). He was also Head of the NZ Delegation to the Scientific Committee of the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation (SPRFMO) and a NZ Delegate to the SPRFMO Commission. He also initiated and then chaired the MPI South Pacific Fisheries Assessment Working Group to support the science process underpinning the work for SPRFMO.

#### Nancie Cummings

Nancie Cummings has been a fisheries marine scientist for 35 years, with extensive experience in marine and estuarine fish science, population dynamics assessment and fisheries management, and data collection and sampling design for marine resources. She has been a federal fishery biologist based in Miami, Florida since 1983 and has been lead stock assessment analyst of fishery evaluations since 1984 for the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic. She has extensive experience and is familiar with the management systems in use for federally managed fisheries resources. Ms. Cummings has extensive experience using robust fisheries analytical procedures including Virtual Population Analysis (VPA), production models (ASPIC) and using fishery statistical catch at age models (Stock Synthesis). As a Lead Assessment Analysts, she carries out fishery stock evaluations for status determinations, and conducts projections of federally managed marine resources including reef fish, mackerels, tunas, and shellfish. Ms. Cummings has extensive experience working with commercial and recreational fisheries constituent groups, state agencies, tribal groups, national and international advisory groups, and academic institutions. She has published in peer-reviewed journals and symposium proceedings, presented results of stock assessment evaluations, status determinations, and future projections at national and international meetings, including federal government management agencies meetings. Ms. Cummings has experience in application of data poor stock assessment techniques and recent experience developing and leading Data Limited Stock Assessment Workshops (2) in the U.S. and in an International forum through the Gulf and Caribbean Research Institute (GCFI). Ms. Cummings is the Regional focal point for the FAO, Western Central Atlantic Commission (WECAFC) Fishery Monitoring System (FRMS), the Vice Chair of the FAO, FRMS Committee, a member of the WECAFC Scientific Advisory Group (SAG), and acts as technical monitor for the Cooperative State-Federal Statistics Puerto Rico and US Virgins cooperative statistics programs. Ms. Cummings completed an M.S. degree in Fisheries from the College of Fisheries, University of Washington conducting a population assessment of Pacific Cod in the Gulf of Alaska and Bering Sea and a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Erskine College.

### Tom Jagielo

Mr Tom Jagielo has a wide breadth of experience in marine fish science, habitat studies, and oceanography. He formed his own firm in 2008 to provide consulting services in quantitative fisheries science. Previously he served for 24 years with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, and 6 years with the Fisheries Research Institute at the University of Washington in Seattle. He has specialized in groundfish stock assessment and survey design, adapting state of the art tools and methods to assess marine fish populations for sustainable fisheries management. He has produced groundfish stock assessments used by the Pacific Fishery Management Council, including analysis of lingcod, black rockfish, and yelloweye rockfish populations. Tom has experience working with government agencies, commercial and recreational fisheries groups, Native American tribes, community organizations, and both national and international advisory groups. He has received appointments to the Scientific and Statistical Committee of the Pacific Fishery Management Council, the Technical Subcommittee of the US-Canada Groundfish Committee, the Pacific Coast Ocean Observation System, and other workshop panels and review bodies. He has published in peer-reviewed journals and symposium proceedings and has presented papers at national and international meetings. Tom received a B.S. degree in Biology from the Pennsylvania State University, and a M.S. degree in Fisheries from the University of Washington, where he also conducted post M.S. graduate studies in fisheries population dynamics and parameter estimation. In addition to serving as an MSC Surveillance Team Member/Auditor (variously as P1, P2, or P3 expert) for stocks in the US and Europe (e.g. sablefish, Pacific halibut, Icelandic lumpfish, golden redfish, and saithe), he has experience in providing MSC Peer Reviews on the West Coast-US (Pacific hake, Limited Entry groundfish), Alaska (BSAI/GOA Pacific cod, BSAI/GOA flatfish, BSAI/GOA pollock), and Australia (blue grenadier).