

Ben Tre Peoples Committee Department of Fisheries Ben Tre Clam Fishery Marine Stewardship Council Certification

Certification Body: Moody Marine Ltd

Nominations for Assessment Team membership

Moody Marine is currently undertaking the main assessment of the above fishery against the Marine Stewardship Council Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fishing. To assist in this assessment, we are looking to appoint a team of expert advisors with collective knowledge of the stock evaluation, ecosystem impacts and management framework applicable to this fishery.

The persons proposed as potential team members of this fishery assessment are set out below in alphabetical order, together with a brief resume of their background. Potential team members have been selected on the basis of their experience of fishery management, stock assessment and/or ecosystem interactions. The final team will comprise two expert advisors from the following list. The coordinating Assessor from Moody Marine will be Dr Andrew Hough.

All stakeholders are now invited to provide any comments on the suitability or otherwise of any of the nominees. We would, however, ask for any comments by the **20 July 2007** prior to continuing the assessment process. These should be sent to Andrew Hough at:

Date: 10 July 2007

Team membership (in alphabetical order):

Dr Terry Holt. Dr Holt is a director of CMACS Ltd, UK, with responsibility for managing marine consultancy projects, Environmental Assessments and ecological surveys. He has over twenty five years experience in shellfish ecology, marine aquaculture, EIA's and benthic fish and invertebrate surveys, including providing expert evidence on molluscan fisheries at planning enquiries. Dr Holt has previously been involved in Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) pre-assessments and main assessments for Moody Marine (Burry Inlet Cockle fishery and South Georgia

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Patagonian Toothfish) and has worked on molluscan fishery pre-assessments in SE Asia. He also contributed at early MSC workshops on the development of generic scoring guidelines and refining of assessment methods.

Dr Nguyen Thanh Tung. Dr Tung is a researcher and Vice-Director of the Vietnam Institute of Fisheries Economics and Planning (VIFEP). His recent project experience includes research on protection measures and development of Ben Tre clam *Meretrix lyrata* resource; assessment of Mekong Fisheries; fish migrations and spawning and impact of water management; survey on fisheries resources and recommendations for protection measures and development of fisheries resources in Vinh Long province and survey and planning of brackish water aquaculture for ecological estuary, coastal and island zones in Kien Giang province.

Mr Tran Truong Luu. Mr Luu is a Fisheries/ Aquaculture consultant, and until 1996 was Senior Researcher on Fisheries Resources and Aquaculture Planning at the Research Institute for Aquaculture No.2 (RIA 2), HCMC, Vietnam. His particular experience includes (since 2003) assessments on clam fishing methods, clam management area, clam management system, management practices implemented, estimates of fishable biomass and other relevant activities. He has also carried out surveys on value of clam resource, clam researches carried out by Vietnamese authors, distribution of clam ground in the Mekong Delta, clam management and markets and processing methods. Other experience includes various aspects of wild-harvest and aquaculture fisheries and other water management projects. Mr. Luu has also been involved in an MSC feasibility study of the Ben Tre Clam fishery

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