

MARINE STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

IN THE MATTER OF AN OBJECTION TO THE FINAL DRAFT REPORT AND DETERMINATION ON THE PROPOSED CERTIFICATION OF THE EASTERN PACIFIC ECUADOR PURSE SEINE TROPICAL TUNA FISHERY (FSC AND FAD SET FISHERY) UNDER THE MSC STANDARD FOR SUSTAINABLE FISHING

NOTICE OF CESSATION

1. The initial consultation period in this objection process took place between October 11, 2022, and November 30, 2022. As a result of the consultations, on November 16, 2022 the Conformity Assessment Body advised that “the parties have consulted extensively and productively, reaching common ground on all grounds of objection”. The CAB advised this agreement “involves inclusion of addition conditions to certification, rescoring of agreed elements and subsequent amendments to scoring rationales, which would result in the objecting party content to withdraw their objection.” The client fishery and the objectors have agreed the above, and as such the objectors are now withdrawing their objection.
2. Accordingly, as provided for in paragraph 5.6.4.2 of the MSC Disputes Process v1.01, this constitutes a “notice of cessation” of the objection. Pursuant to paragraph 5.6.4.3, no further appeal or objection is permitted. The Conformity Assessment Body may proceed to make the agreed changes to the Final Draft Report and Determination and prepare a Public Certification Report per FCP Section 7.24.

Melanie Carter
MSC Independent Adjudicator

Dated: November 24, 2022