

Control Union Pesca Ltd.

American Samoa EEZ Albacore and Yellowfin Longline Fishery

MSC Surveillance Announcement

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Marine Stewardship Council surveillance announcement

Table 1– Surveillance announcement

1	Fishery name	
	American Samoa EEZ Albacore and Yellowfin Longline Fishery	
2	Surveillance level and type	
	<p>Surveillance level 4, off-site surveillance audit.</p> <p>The surveillance will be delayed to January to reflect the findings of the WCPFC Plenary meeting, which took place in December 2019.</p>	
3	Surveillance number	
	1st Surveillance	
	2nd Surveillance	X
	3rd Surveillance	
	4th Surveillance	
	Other (expedited etc)	
4	Proposed team leader	
	Name	Chrissie Sieben
	Areas of responsibility	<p>Team Leader</p> <p>Chrissie Sieben has a Master's Degree in Marine Environmental Protection which she obtained at the University of Wales, Bangor, and specialises in marine and fisheries ecology, marine environmental impact assessments and sustainable fisheries. She was the MSC Fisheries Scheme Manager at CU Pesca up until December 2018. Previous to joining CU Pesca, she worked as a fisheries consultant and marine ecologist on UK-based and international projects. Chrissie is now an independent assessor with over eight years' experience with the MSC certification requirements and has acted as Team Leader and P2 assessor on a range of preassessments, surveillance audits and full assessments of demersal and pelagic fisheries in the Atlantic, Mediterranean, Indian Ocean, Southern Ocean and Pacific. She also regularly participates in MSC training sessions and workshops. Chrissie speaks fluent French and Dutch in addition to English.</p>
	Competency criteria (Annex PC)	<p>Chrissie meets all Fishery Team Leader Qualification and Competency Criteria (Table PC1) and the following Table PC 3 competency criteria: 3. Fishing impacts on aquatic ecosystems; 6 Understanding of the CoC Standard and CoC Certification Requirements.</p> <p>Chrissie has successfully completed the MSC online training on the application of the Risk-Based Framework (RBF), FCRv2.0 and FCPv2.1.</p>

	Conflict of interest in relation to this fishery	No conflict of interest has been identified for this fishery
	On-site or off-site	Off-site
	CV	CV available on request
5	Proposed team members	
	Name	Peter Watt
	Areas of responsibility	<p>Principle 3</p> <p>Educated in Canada and living in the Philippines, Peter has over 20 years' fisheries management and development work experience with national governments, regional organizations and private consultancy companies in Samoa, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Palau, Tokelau, Tonga, New Caledonia, Vanuatu, Kiribati, Federated States of Micronesia, Commonwealth of the Mariana Islands, Marshall Islands, Fiji, New Zealand, Canada, and United States.</p> <p>Peter has authored or co-authored over 30 publications in his field and worked on more than 50 projects and assignments in technical research, marine management and development, technical training and project administration. He developed and established community-based fisheries management arrangements for the Coastal Fisheries Development and Management Project in Papua New Guinea, establishing over twenty fisheries management plans and developing legislation to empower communities to manage their fisheries resources. Prior to this he was the Commercial Fisheries Advisor in Samoa for four years, providing management advice and expertise for the development and management of the tuna longline and other fisheries. This included working with the government and stakeholders to develop and implement a tuna management plan, with related legislation and policies.</p> <p>Other experience also includes rapid resource assessments in the Philippines, Papua New Guinea and Samoa, and conducting stock assessments for the tuna longline fishery and outer reef slope assessments for the deep water snapper fishery.</p>
	Competency criteria (Annex PC)	<p>Peter has completed the v2.0 online training, meeting the competency requirements in Table PC2, as well as the following team competency criteria in Table PC3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fishery management and operations - Current knowledge of the country, language and local fishery context. <p>Peter has completed the required Fishery Team member MSC training</p>
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6	Audit/review time and location
	The audit will be off-site. The audit will be conducted on 10th February 2020.
7	Assessment and review activities
	<p>During the audit, CU Pesca will communicate with the client and any relevant stakeholders and use any available up to date information to assess and review;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any changes to the fishery and its management including those to management systems, regulation and relevant personnel assessments; • Any changes to the scientific base of information such as stock; • Will review progress against the five conditions associated with this fishery (PI 1.2.1 (Albacore), 1.2.2 (Albacore), 1.2.1 (Yellowfin), 1.2.2 (Yellowfin) 3.2.2 (Yellowfin)). • Harmonization against the other fisheries certified on the MSC program • Any developments or changes within the fishery impact may impact on traceability and the ability to segregate MSC from non-MSC products; • Any other significant changes in the fishery.

CU Pesca would like to welcome anyone who would like to participate in the site visit. All interested stakeholders are encouraged to contact Chrissie Sieben via email (csieben@controlunion.com) or Beverley O’Kane via email (bokane@controlunion.com), telephone or post at the below number and address:

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Comments must be made using the [Template for Stakeholder Input into MSC-Assessments](#). Should any stakeholder wish to meet the team in person, this can be arranged. Remote meetings can also be arranged via telephone conferencing or Skype, or written submissions made to the above-mentioned email addresses.

Please note that comments should be factual and should be supported by data or other evidence. Comments may remain unattributed. Furthermore, information that cannot be shared with any other stakeholder will not be referenced in the surveillance report and cannot be used in determining conformity of the fishery with the MSC Standard. Information can be kept confidential if it is restricted to financial transactions about certification, the financial affairs of individual companies or information that may lead to this information being known, or information that is the subject of relevant national privacy or data protection legislation in the assessed fishery’s country.

Submitted by: Beverley O’Kane

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Deadline for stakeholder comment: 9th February 2020 at 17:00 UTC