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SCIENTIFIC CERTIFICATION SYSTEMS ANNOUNCES THE 2ND RE-ASSESSMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA ROCK LOBSTER

Scientific Certification Systems Inc. (SCS) is pleased to announce the second Re-Assessment of the Western Australia Rock Lobster trap fishery within the scope of the Western Rock Lobster Council under the Marine Stewardship Council Standard for Sustainable Fisheries. This fishery was first certified by SCS as sustainable under the MSC standard March 2000. The fishery was re-certified by SCS in December 2006. The third re-assessment will start in December 2010.

The second re-assessment will be conducted using the most recent version of the Marine Stewardship Council Fisheries Certification Methodology (v.6.1, May 1, 2010). The assessment team from Scientific Certification Systems (SCS) will be conducting a meeting in Perth, Australia with a provisional date of December 8th-9th 2010. SCS invites all stakeholders to meet with the team and bring forth any issues or concerns about the certification of this fishery. The meeting will include participants such as fishermen, fishery managers, scientists and stakeholders to gain a full understanding of the current state of the fishery.

Stakeholders and interested parties are encouraged to contact SCS with any new information or make comments that may be relevant since the third surveillance audit and are invited to the on-site meeting to be conducted in Perth, Australia.

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SCS welcomes stakeholder input. To make comments, please use the MSC comment form found on the MSC website at www.msc.org

The comment form and *Stakeholder's Guide to the MSC* may also be downloaded from this website: http://www.msc.org/documents/get-certified/stakeholders

