



**American Albacore Fishing Association (AAFA)  
Pacific Albacore Pole & Line and Troll/Jig Fishery  
Marine Stewardship Council Certification**

**Certification Body: Moody Marine Ltd**

**Peer Review Timescale**

Peer Review of the draft report for the above fisheries is now underway. This review process is due for completion by **18 May 2007**.

On completion, the draft reports will be updated to take account of peer review comments and shall then be provided for stakeholder comment. Peer review reports shall be appended to the draft report.

The peer reviewers carrying out the review are:

**1. Panayiota Apostolaki.** Panayiota is currently Fishery Scientist with the Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science, UK. Her expertise includes tuna and tuna-like species biology and fisheries management issues through extended work on North Atlantic bluefin tuna including contribution to the 2002 eastern and western North Atlantic BFT stock assessments; contribution to research on the Management of Tropical Atlantic Tunas in a Mixed Fishery undertaken in the context of a European project entitled "Framework For The Evaluation of Management Strategies"; reviews of the evaluation processes followed by the Blue Ocean Institute in New York to produce its ranked list of seafood (elasmobranch section) and assessment of the sustainability of shark fisheries in the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans and fishery management and sustainability issues related to a wide range of fisheries including multi-gear, multi-species, commercial, and recreational fisheries. She also has knowledge of U.S. and European environmental legislation.

**2. John Dean.** John has been intimately involved with the science and policies of management of highly migratory species for more than 25 years. His laboratory was a leader in developing the techniques and conducting studies of age estimation of large pelagic species such as swordfish, marlin and tunas. He taught many undergraduate and graduate students that continue to contribute professionally to the literature of fisheries ecology, and all continue his laboratory's tradition of participation in fisheries policy at the local, national and international levels. His experiences as an advisor to the seafood industry, and service as a member of public sector bodies, such as the regional fishery management council, have provided him with unique perspectives. He is recognized for his research contributions and advice to organizations from a non-advocatory perspective. He has collaborated with scientists in Japan (sabbaticals in Nagasaki and Hakodate), Mauritius, Latin America, Netherlands, Italy (sabbatical in Sardinia and collaborations in Bari and Sicily), Greece and Turkey. For the last ten years he has been very involved in collaborative studies of the biology and management of bluefin tuna, swordfish and albacore in the Mediterranean. He retired from the University of South Carolina in 2002 and continues to have an active program of collaborative research, writing and public service.