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Date: 13/07/2012

Subject: Request for variation to the MSC Certification Requirement CR 27.22.13

Dear Dr. Rob Blyth-Skyrme,

I write with reference to your submission on 4 July 2012 of a request for variation to the MSC Certification Requirement (CR 27.22.13) to allow the surveillance report for Alaska Pollock up to 3 weeks after current deadline of 1 July 2012.

As you are aware, the CR procedures requiring the CAB to submit a public surveillance report within 30 days of completing the on-site component of the audit are integral to ensuring all MSC accredited Conformity Assessment Bodies operate in a consistent and transparent manner. The MSC intends that these requirements be met across all fisheries and CoC certificate holders, except in exceptional, well-justified circumstances, as part of the MSC programme.

MSC notes the factors presented in your letter supporting your request, including:

- Restrictions in contacting and communicating with the main client contact and a member of the assessment team.

Given the rationale provided, the MSC is willing to grant a variation to the CR in this case subject to the following conditions:

- The report is submitted within 4 weeks of the original deadline.



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If you have any questions regarding this response, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Daniel Hoggarth".

Dr Daniel Hoggarth

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