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South Australia Sardine Fishery

South Australian Sardine Industry Association, Inc.

Issuance of Public Certification Report

Marine Stewardship Council Certification

Certification Body: MRAG Americas, Inc.

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MRAG Americas announces that the South Australia Sardine fishery did not receive an objection following posting of the Final Report and Determination. MRAG Americas has decided that the South Australia Sardine fishery may be certified as sustainable against the MSC standard. The South Australia Sardine fishery is now certified for 5 years, subject to successful completion of annual surveillance audits. MRAG Americas has produced a Public Certification Report, available on the MSC website at <https://fisheries.msc.org/en/fisheries/south-australia-sardine-fishery/@@view>.

The certification covers purse seine for South Australian sardines (*Sardinops sagax*) in waters adjacent to South Australia to the edge of the 200-nautical-mile Australian Fishing Zone, except for closed areas (FAO Region 57). Vessels and companies authorized to use the MSC logo for sales of South Australian sardines (*Sardinops sagax*) into the MSC supply chain are listed in the Public Certification Report and on the certificate.

MRAG Americas acknowledges with thanks the participation of all stakeholders during this assessment.

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