

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXPANSION OF SCOPE OF THE PNG FISHING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION'S PURSE SEINE TUNA FISHERY

The PNG Fishing Industry Association's purse seine tuna fishery has requested an expansion of scope of the current fishery certificate to include one new purse seine vessels (DOLORES-873). All other aspects of scope are to remain consistent with the original UoA. The additional elements of the UoA (equivalent to UoC) for the scope expansion are referenced below in *italics*:

Unit of Certification	
Species	Western and Central Pacific Skipjack tuna (<i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i>) Western and Central Pacific Yellowfin tuna (<i>Thunnus albacares</i>)
Geographical Area	The north coast of Papua New Guinea, in both its Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) and Archipelagic Waters (AW)
Gear Type	Purse seine; free school sets Purse seine; FAD sets including drifting (log/debris or dead animal or drifting) and anchored (anchored, raft, FAD or payao)
Management System	Tuna fisheries within the UoA operate within a governance and policy framework under management by Parties to the Nauru Agreement (PNA) and Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC). These include governance systems and mechanisms in place at the regional and national level, including in Papua New Guinea national legislation.
Operators	Select vessels (see <i>revised</i> Addendum) fishing in the North coast of Papua New Guinea's Economic Exclusive Zone and Archipelagic Waters flagged to either Papua New Guinea (PNG), or the Philippines (PH), and Federated States of Micronesia (FM) Nauru (NA), Taiwan (TW) and Vanuatu (VU) operating under a PNG domestic purse seine licenses and bilateral agreements within PNG's EEZ.
Client Group	Fishing Industry Association of Papua New Guinea

Description:

Fishing by the purse seine vessels is regulated under the same jurisdiction, harvest strategy and control rules, and general fishery governance structure as under the current certificate. The only change is the addition of one vessel (Dolores- 873), flagged to the Philippines.

SCS assigned Gabriela Anhalzer, who meets the fishery team member qualification and competency criteria as set out in Table PC2 to identify the assessment components in the new proposed fishery and carry out a gap analysis to confirm which assessment components are the same as for the certified fishery (MSC FCP v2.2 7.27.4)

The GAP analysis concluded that all the assessment tree components of the new fishery are the same as for the certified fishery. Given that the following applies: i. The client is willing to extend the certificate to the applicant fishery, ii. SCS confirms that all assessment tree components are the same as for the existing fishery certificate, iii. SCS confirms that extending the scope of the certificate does not have implications for any Pls. On these grounds SCS recommends the extension of the scope of the certificate.

GAP Analysis Results:

Component	UoA – Fishery 1 (identify the unit that is assessed for each component)	UoA – Fishery 2 (provide justification to confirm whether the unit proposed for extension is the same as the unit that was assessed in the certified fishery)
Principle 1 – Outcome	Target species stock + Management of target species stock	The same target species Western Pacific Yellowfin and Skipjack under the same management system, harmonized scores.
Principle 1 – Harvest strategy	Target species stock + Management of target species stock	The same target species Western Pacific Yellowfin and Skipjack under the same management system, harmonized scores.
Principle 2 – Primary species	Species normally retained by client gear type in client geographical area	The vessel (DOLORES-873) is new and was recently registered this year, thus observer data was not available to conduct an analysis of the catch composition. Given that this vessel is operating with the same fishing gear and in the same fishing grounds, and it is a single vessel, the impacts on primary species are expected to be the same as those of the certified vessels in the UoA. In the subsequent first year surveillance observer data for all vessels in the UoA will be evaluated.
Principle 2 – Secondary species	Unintended bycatch of client gear type in client geographical area	The vessel (DOLORES-873) is new and was recently registered this year, thus observer data was not available to conduct an analysis of the catch composition. Given that this vessel is operating with the same fishing gear and in the same fishing grounds, and it is a single vessel, the impacts on secondary species are expected to be the same as those of the certified vessels in the UoA. In the subsequent first year surveillance observer data for all vessels in the UoA will be evaluated.
Principle 2 – ETP	ETP species bycatch of client gear type in client geographical area	The vessel (DOLORES-873) is new and was recently registered this year, thus observer data was not available to conduct an analysis of the catch composition. Given that this vessel is operating with the same fishing gear and in the same fishing grounds, and it's a single vessel, the impacts on ETP species are expected to be the same as those of the certified vessels in the UoA. In the subsequent first year surveillance observer data for all vessels in the UoA will be evaluated.
Principle 2 – Habitat	Habitat impact of client gear type in client geographical area	The original certified fishery already assessed the impacts of the fishery on the habitat for the area where the new vessels are currently operating.
Principle 2 – Ecosystem	Broad ecological community and ecosystem in which the fishery operates	The original certified fishery already assessed the impacts of the fishery on the ecosystem at a large scale for the western Pacific and evaluated the whole WCPFC tuna fishery.
Principle 3 – Governance and policy	Overarching management framework Multi-jurisdictional management framework (as appropriate)	The new vessels added to the UoA is flagged to the Philippines, operating within PNG EEZ and under PNG management system. The original assessment has already evaluated the local management framework of PNG. Given that WCPFC, PNA and PNG management were already assessed in the initial assessment, the components of unit proposed for extension have already been assessed in the initially certified fishery.

Principle 3 – Fishery Specific management system	Local management framework + Client specific management	The new vessels added to the UoA is flagged to the Philippines, operating within PNG EEZ and under PNG management system. The original assessment has already evaluated the local management framework of PNG. Given that WCPFC, PNA and PNG management were already assessed in the initial assessment, the components of unit proposed for extension have already been assessed in the initially certified fishery.
--	---	---

Contact Details:

SCS Global Services

2000 Powell St., Suite 600, Emeryville, CA 94608

ganhalzer@scsglobalservices.com

Appendix 1

Status	#	Vessel Name	IRCS	Flag State	Flag Registration
Certified	1	Alpine Rose	P2V4189	PG	000-937
Certified	2	Amaryllis 88	P2V5709	PG	00-1594
Certified	3	Atun Kalap	P2V5615	PG	00-1461
Certified	4	Atun Planti	P2V5616	PG	00-1460
Certified	5	Atun Sta	P2V5621	PG	00-1476
Certified	6	Camia 888	P2V5056	PG	932
Certified	7	Cherry Blossoms 88	P2V5068	PG	000-948
Certified	8	Cromwell 1 (formerly Glory Pacific No.1)	V6PC1 P2V5630	FM (PG)	VR01712 00-1488
Certified	9	Cromwell 101 (formerly Glory Pacific 101)	V6PC101 (P2V5742)	FM (PG)	VR0171 00-1649
Certified	10	Discovery 101	DUCK	PH	05-0000237
Certified	11	Discovery 102	4DET8	PH	11-0000340
Certified	12	Discovery 105	4DFB8	PH	11-0001005
Certified	13	Dolores 737	4DFB9	PH	12-0002054
Certified	14	Dolores 787	P2V5642	PG	00-1513
Certified	15	Dolores 838	DUL6785	PH	12-0000179
Certified	16	Dolores 839 (Change flag PG to PH)	4DEF-7 (P2V5664)	PH (PG)	12-0003458 (1553)
Certified	17	Dolores 849	4DEF-6	PH	12-0000110
Certified	18	Dolores 858	DUFO	PH	10-0002817
Certified	19	Dolores 859	DUGM	PH	10-0003031
Certified	20	Dolores 865	DUGC	PH	10-0003054
Certified	21	Dolores 869	DUHQ	PH	10-0003090
Certified	22	Dolores 870	DUID	PH	13-0001621
Certified	23	Dolores 872	DUIE	PH	13-0001622
Certified	24	Dolores 878	DUM-3170	PH	12-0001818
Certified	25	Gabrielle L T	4DFC-5	PH	00-0002559
Certified	26	Gardenia	DUL6827	PH	12-0001655
Certified	27	John Reynald	DUQA-7	PH	12-0001599
Certified	28	Lauren Marie Taylor	DUA-6679	PH	00-0003069
Certified	29	Martina Marie	DUTN-9	PH	04-0000827
Certified	30	Mistletoe 888	DUL6384	PH	12-0001572
Certified	31	Naoero Star (formerly Majestic Star) – PNG flag to NA flag	C2AA2 (P2V5611)	NA (PG)	NMA-10011890 (00-1464)
Certified	32	Naoero Sun (formerly Majestic Sun) – PNG flag to NA flag	C2AB2 (P2V5610)	NA (PG)	NMA-10021890 (00-1463)
Certified	33	Pacific Journey No.101 (formerly Pacific Journey No.1) – PNG flag to FM flag	V6KPJ101 (P2V5601)	FM (PG)	VR0166 (00-1445)
Certified	34	Pacific Journey No.8 (formerly Pacific Journey No.888) – PNG flag to FM flag	V6KPJ8 (P2V5602)	FM (PG)	VR0164 (00-1446)
Certified	35	Princess Janice 168	DYUW	PH	120001653
Certified	36	Purple Beauty 888	DUE6131	PH	00-0002671
Certified	37	Queen Evelyn 168	DUL-6968	PH	120001654

Certified	38	Queen Jenny No. 138	4DET-6	PH	120001831
Certified	39	Queen Jina 101	DUIY	PH	120003015
Certified	40	Resty B T	DUTN7	PH	00-0000460
Certified	41	Rose Marie	DUTG-7	PH	00-0000323
Certified	42	Sophia Martina	4DFC-6	PH	00-0002560
Certified	43	Sunflower 8	DUE6208	PH	00-0003240
Certified	44	Tobias Miguel	4DFC-7	PH	00-0002561
Certified	46	Alpine Pink	DUA6114	PH	00-0002010
Certified	47	Gardenia 888	P2V5654	PG	00-1539
Certified	48	Golden Sapphire 88	P2V5655	PG	NMA-1019 (00-1538)
Certified	49	Kaile 888 (PNG flag to NA)	C2AQ2 (P2V5566)	NA (PG)	00-1410
Certified	50	Kwila 888	P2V5624	PG	00-1470
Certified	51	Lavender 888	P2V5406	PG	00-1227
Certified	52	Malva 888 (PNG flag to NA flag)	C2AR2 (P2V5627)	NA (PG)	NMA-1020 (00- 1481)
Certified	53	Marita 88 (PNG flag to NA flag)	C2AS2 (P2V5580)	NA (PG)	NMA-1021 (1422)
Certified	54	Milflores 888	P2V5653	PG	00-1540
Certified	55	Niupelalip No. 8	P2V5491	PG	00-1322
Certified	56	Nupla Kanu	P2V5606	PG	00-1456
Certified	57	Nupla Kumul	P2V5636	PG	00-1505
Certified	58	Nupla Solwara	P2V5603	PG	00-1449
Certified	59	Orchids 888	DUL6383	PH	12-0000940
Certified	60	Pink Carnation 88	P2V5045	PG	000-905
Certified	61	Purple Lilac 888	P2V5408	PG	00-1210
Certified	62	Red Robin 888	P2V5125	PG	00-1003
Certified	63	Red Tulip 888	P2V5278	PG	00-1121
Certified	64	Silver Queen	DUA6088	PH	00-0001398
Certified	65	Simbun 88 - PNG flag to NA flag	C2AT2 (P2V5605)	NA (PG)	NMA-1022 (1450)
Certified	66	FV Sokei	P2V5669	PG	00-1542
Certified	67	Dolores 873	4DJB-5	PH	05-0003290
Certified	68	FB Treska	DUG9015	PH	00-0002818
Certified	69	FV Chenille	DUG9082	PH	00-0002267
Certified	70	Jasmin 888	DUE-6325	PH	00-0003917
Certified	71	Joe Turner	DYUD	PH	00-0003935
Certified	72	John Fisher	DUTT	PH	00-0003936
Certified	73	Kamilah	DUM-3346	PH	12-0002957
Certified	74	Mavienne	DUM-3347	PH	12-0002975
Certified	75	Queen Evelyn 101	DUK-2237	PH	12-0003554
Certified	76	Fair Bravo No. 707	BL2116	TW	CT8-0116
Certified	77	Fair Well No. 707	BL2127	TW	CT8-0127
Certified	78	New Fair Discovery No. 707	BL2099	TW	CT8-0099
Certified	79	Viva Fafa No. 707	BEBT	TW	CT8-0065
Certified	80	Win Forever No.707	BL2131	TW	CT8-0131

Certified	81	Win Rich No. 707	BL2132	TW	CT8-0132
Certified	82	Viva Gogo 707	YJRJ6	VU	1214
Certified	83	Win Best 707	YJWG3	VU	2455
Certified	84	Win Harvest 707	YJWG4	VU	2456
Certified	85	Win Win 707	YJTV8	VU	2324
<i>Extension</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Dolores-873</i>	<i>4DJB-5</i>	<i>PH</i>	<i>05-0003290</i>