

## **Faroe Islands Silver Smelt Fishery**

## Marine Stewardship Council Certification Certification Body: Det Norske Veritas

Announcement: Release of Public Comment Draft Report for Stakeholder Comment

Det Norske Veritas (DNV) is pleased to announce that the draft report on the MSC certification assessment of the above fishery is now available for comment by stakeholders. The scope of certification covers the Faroe Island Silver Smelt (Argentina silus) fishery targeted in ICES areas Vb1 and Vb2 (FAO area 27) using bottom trawl as harvesting method.

Stakeholders are invited to comment on the factual contents of the report, either in relation to the specific sections of the report or specific scoring indicators. Comments should be clearly related to specific report sections or scoring indicators. Any recommendations or criticisms should be supported with data or literature citations so that the assessment team is able to evaluate these comments.

Following receipt of comments from stakeholders, DNV will consider all available information and make a determination on whether the fishery should be certified. Following this determination, the final report will be made available.

The report is available at the MSC website www.msc.org

Comments on the report should be forwarded, before 17:00 GMT on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2012.

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