



**American Albacore Fishing Association North Pacific albacore pole & line
and troll/jig fishery**

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**MSC Certification
Certification Body: Intertek Moody Marine**

Release of Public Comment Draft Reports for Stakeholder Consultation

The draft reports on the MSC certification assessment of the above fisheries are now available for comment by stakeholders. The reports are available at the MSC website www.msc.org.

Stakeholders are invited to comment at this stage on the factual content of the reports, either in relation to specific scoring indicators or sections in the body of the reports. Comments should be clearly related to specific scoring indicators or report sections and any recommendations or criticisms should be supported with data or literature citations that the assessment team is able to evaluate.

If you wish to provide comment at any stage of the assessment process the MSC have provided a template for stakeholders to complete and submit their comments. This can be downloaded from the following link:

http://www.msc.org/documents/scheme-documents/forms-and-templates/msc-template-for-stakeholder-input-into-fishery-assessments/at_download/file

Following receipt of comments by stakeholders, Intertek Moody Marine will consider all available information and make a determination on whether the fisheries should be certified. Following this determination, the final reports will be made available for a further 15 working day consultation period.

Comments on the Public Comment Draft Reports should be forwarded, **before 17:00 GMT on 12th November 2012**, to **Dr. Rob Blyth-Skyrme** at Intertek Moody Marine as follows:

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