

**Deepwater Group Ltd.
NZ Hoki FISHERY**

**MSC Certification
Certification Body: Moody Marine Ltd**

Third Annual Surveillance Audit

Following recertification of this fishery in 2007, we are now continuing the process of annual surveillance audits of the fishery. As in 2009, availability of key stakeholders and assessment team members has meant that the timing of this surveillance audit has been delayed slightly.

The audit has two principal functions:

1. To review any changes in the management of the fishery, including regulations, key management or scientific staff, or stock evaluation
2. To evaluate the progress of the fishery against any Conditions of Certification raised during the Main Assessment

During the audit, or at separate meetings, we shall be speaking with representatives of the fishery and fishery management organisations. We expect to carry out meetings in Wellington on **15th and 16th of December 2010**.

Should you have any information on this fishery that you feel should be considered in the assessment, please advise us. We may be available to meet with stakeholders as appropriate. If you would like to arrange a meeting, please advise us of:

- a) your name and contact details
- b) your association with the fishery
- c) the issues you would like to discuss (in order for us to arrange appropriate representation)
- d) where and when you would like to meet

The audit team members are Jo Akroyd (Lead Auditor), Geoff Tingley and Andre Punt (see attached).

We are also happy for you to send us any correspondence or for you to contact us directly

Yours sincerely

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Jo is Director and Principal Consultant of Jo Akroyd Ltd, an International consultancy company specialising in marine fisheries policy and marine ecosystem and community based management. She has also provided services in quality system implementation and training in project management and negotiation skills. Prior to a career in consultancy, she was manager of International Projects at the Auckland University of Technology and Director of Quality and Strategic Management and Assistant Director of Marine Research at the Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries, Wellington, NZ. Her specific experience includes team leader and Principle 3 expert for the Tosakatsuo Suisan Co., Ltd, Japanese Pole and Line Fishery for Skipjack Tuna and team member on the assessment of the NZ fisheries including hoki, hake, southern blue whiting, albacore, and southern scallops fisheries for compliance with Marine Stewardship Council Principles and Criteria and on the Ross Sea Tooth fishery providing specialist inputs on Principle 3 (Fisheries management).

André E. Punt is a Professor of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences at the University Washington, Seattle. He received his B.Sc, M.Sc and Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics at the University of Cape Town, South Africa. Before joining the University of Washington, Dr Punt was a Principal Research Scientist with the CSIRO Division of Marine and Atmospheric Research. His research interests include the development and application of fisheries stock assessment techniques, bioeconomic modelling, and the evaluation of the performance of stock assessment methods and harvest control rules using the Management Strategy Evaluation approach. He has published over 170 papers in the peer-reviewed literature, along with over 400 technical reports. He is currently an Associate Editor for *Fisheries Research*, *Population Ecology*, and the *Journal of Applied Ecology*. Dr Punt was a member of the Independent Objections Panel convened by the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) in 2003 to consider the proposed certification of the South Georgia Patagonian toothfish longline fishery, was a member of the Team which conducted the re-assessment of the New Zealand Hoki fishery in 2005-7, and is currently a member of Audit Team for the New Zealand Hoki fishery. He is also a member of the Scientific and Statistical Committee of the Pacific Fishery Management Council, the Crab PLAN Team of the North Pacific Fishery Management Council, the Science Panel of the North Pacific Research Board, and the Scientific Committee of the International Whaling Commission.

Dr Geoff Tingley has 23 years' experience in the management of marine and freshwater fisheries worldwide. MSC experience includes pre-assessment, assessment, peer review and post-certification surveillance over 8 years. This experience covers fisheries in the North and South Atlantic, Western Pacific, Bering Sea and Gulf of Alaska. With a focus on Principle 2 for mobile gear bottom fisheries (trawl, Danish seine and dredge) work on Principle 1 and Principle 3 work and other gear types (e.g. tuna troll, gill nets, longlines and handlines) has also been completed. Other recent work includes that for the US Center for Independent Experts (CIE), in reviewing stock assessments for the National Marine Fisheries Service for US (and shared) stocks including SARC 46 (Atlantic striped bass, 2007), STAR Panel (Pacific hake, 2010), SEDAR 20 (Atlantic Menhaden and Atlantic croaker 2010), SEDAR 22 (yellowedge grouper and tilefish, 2010) and SARC 51 (silver hake, red hake, offshore hake, and *Loligo* squid, 2010).