

## Ben Tre, Vietnam, Clam Fishery

# MSC Certification Certification Body: Intertek Moody Marine

#### **Fourth Surveillance Audit**

Following certification of this fishery, we are now continuing the process of annual surveillance audits of the fishery. These audits have 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. Please note however that there are currently no conditions of certification open for this fishery.

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 5-7 November 2013:

Meetings will be held in Ben Tre, Vietnam and attended by Audit Team members

Dr Andrew Hough	L/A, P2	On site
Mr Tran Truong Luu.	P1, P3	On site

(see details of the team membership below).

Should you have any information on this fishery that you feel should be considered in the assessment, please advise us by **5 p.m. GMT on 25 October 2013**. 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

### Yours

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#### **Audit Team Members:**

Dr Andrew Hough: Moody Marine Limited. Dr Hough has a PhD in marine ecology from the University of Wales, Bangor on marine ecology. He has been involved in marine and coastal environmental management since 1991, including management of fishery impacts on ecosystems and marine conservation biology. He has been manager of Moody Marine operations within Moody International Certification from 1999 to 2011 with particular responsibility for the implementation of MSC Certification procedures and development of MSC methodologies. Dr. Hough has acted as lead assessor on the majority of Moody Marine MSC pre assessments and main assessments during this time. He was one of the original assessment team members for this fishery.

Mr Tran Truong Luu. Mr Luu is a Fisheries/ Aquaculture consultant, and until 1996 was Senior Researcher on Fisheries Resources and Aquaculture Planning at the Research Institute for Aquaculture No.2 (RIA 2), HCMC, Vietnam. His particular experience includes (since 2003) assessments on clam fishing methods, clam management area, clam management system, management practices implemented, estimates of fishable biomass and other relevant activities. He has also carried out surveys on value of clam resource, clam researches carried out by Vietnamese authors, distribution of clam ground in the Mekong Delta, clam management and markets and processing methods. Other experience includes various aspects of wild-harvest and aquaculture fisheries and other water management projects. Mr. Luu has also been involved in an MSC feasibility study of the Ben Tre Clam fishery

Full CVs of the team members are available on request from IMM

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