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Cornish Hake Gill Net

Marine Stewardship Council Certification

Certification Body: Acoura Marine Ltd

Stakeholder announcement

<https://www.msc.org/track-a-fishery/fisheries-in-the-program/certified/north-east-atlantic/cornish-hake-gill-net>

The client (Cornish Fish Producers Organisation Ltd) asked for the Cornish Hake fishery certificate to be extended to the first point of sale at the fish markets in Brixham, Plymouth and Newlyn. This required a change to sections (13.3 Points of landing and 13.4 Eligibility to enter chains of custody) of the certified operation as described in the Public Certification Report on MSC.org (https://www.msc.org/track-a-fishery/fisheries-in-the-program/certified/north-east-atlantic/cornish-hake-gill-net/assessment-downloads-1/20150520_PCR_HAK194.pdf). There follows a summary for the attention of stakeholders. Further detail is given in the variation request posted on MSC.org (<https://www.msc.org/track-a-fishery/fisheries-in-the-program/certified/north-east-atlantic/cornish-hake-gill-net/assessment-downloads>).

Acoura have verified the systems for provenance and traceability of all fish (MSC certified and non-certified).

The assessment team and Acoura decided **to grant** Cornish Fish Producers Organisation Ltd (CFPO) an extension to the MSC fishery certificate until the first point of sale at the fish markets in Brixham, Plymouth and Newlyn using the following auctioneers Plymouth PTA, Brixham BTA, Newlyn WS&S. Other first points of sale are not covered by this variation and can only buy fish from the point of landing. All supply chains beyond either of the first point of sale will require MSC chain of custody certification

This change will remain effective until the end of the current certification period. At each surveillance audit Acoura will check that the systems still remain effective.

Any further enquiries should be sent in the first instance to:

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