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# NORTHEASTERN TROPICAL PACIFIC PURSE SEINE YELLOWFIN AND SKIPJACK TUNA FISHERY

## Nominations for Peer Reviewers of MSC Assessment Report

In partial fulfillment of the MSC requirements for fishery evaluations, SCS Global Services, Inc. (SCS) is posting the names of 2 potential peer reviewers for the MSC assessment report pertaining to the assessment of the NORTHEASTERN TROPICAL PACIFIC PURSE SEINE YELLOWFIN AND SKIPJACK TUNA FISHERY.

1. Mr. Don Aldous, MMM

2. Dr. Derek Hamer, PhD

Comments on potential peer reviewers will be taken through 1700 PST December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

The peer review process will then commence and will be followed by posting of a draft report for public review and comment for 30 days. Following the period for public review and comment, a final report will be posted on the MSC website <a href="https://www.msc.org">www.msc.org</a> for all interested parties to review.

All comments should be directed to:

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Full CVs are available on the fishery re-assessment downloads page. Short biographical paragraphs of the peer reviewers may be found below:



### Mr. Don Aldous - Don Aldous Consulting Limited

Don Aldous has been involved in fisheries management issues in Canada and the Pacific Islands since 1977. He has experience at all levels of fisheries management from Fishery Officer to Commissioner of a Regional Fisheries Management Organization. In Canada, he achieved a Senior Advisor position in matters dealing with foreign and domestic fisheries management. He led teams of consultants preparing fisheries management plans for Fiji, Solomon Islands and Marshall Islands and has returned to conduct follow-up work in all three. On a regional scale, he has provided advice to FFA on issues related to fisheries management, development and MCS.

Don is considered a P3 expert for Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) assessments and has been involved with MSC certifications in eastern Canada and eastern USA as a P3 expert, assessment team leader and peer reviewer.

#### Dr. Derek Hamer – DBMS Global Oceans: Director

Dr. Derek Hamer has over 20 years of international experience in developing, assessing and implementing strategies to mitigate marine mammal by-catch and depredation of pinnipeds, dolphins and the larger toothed whales in many fisheries. He has a PhD from the University of Adelaide in South Australia and has published 20 journal articles and over 25 reports in this field. Derek has spent literally years at sea and on remote islands collecting data, and has also worked extensively in related government roles, focusing on policy and management development through stakeholder engagement and relationship development. During the 2000s, he identified and solved a major dolphin by-catch issue in Australia's largest purse-seine fishery, through the use of fishing gear modification and a fishing behavior code of practice. Recently, Derek focused on developing fishing gear augmentation to mitigate toothed whale depredation and bycatch in the pelagic longline fisheries in the Australian EEZ and western central Pacific Ocean. He has previously participated in the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission Working Party on Ecosystems and Bycatch and periodically participates in the Marine Mammal Working Group for the Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) on several related issues. He is currently working on a range of similar projects with the Alaskan Longline Fishermen's Association (ALFA), Hawaiian Longliners Association (HLA), Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) and World Wildlife Fund (WWF) in the central Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea.