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Subject: Request for variation to the MSC Certification Requirement v2.0 FCR-7.4.14.2 for Deris S.A. - Pesca Chile - Antarctic krill fishery

Dear Macarena Garcia.

I write with reference to your submission on 24/04/2018 of a request for variation to the MSC Certification Requirement (CR) to allow:

This variation request is referred to allow entering IPI stocks in the MSC chain of custody, in accordance to FCR 7.4.14.2.

As you are aware, the CR procedures relating to v2.0 FCR-7.4.14.2 state:

Allow fish or fish products considered as coming from IPI stocks to enter chains of custody, with an exemption to the additional assessment requirments for IPI stocks given in PA4.2

These are integral to ensuring all MSC accredited Conformity Assessment Bodies operate in a consistent and transparent manner. The MSC intends that these requirements be met across all fisheries and CoC certificate holders, except in exceptional, well-justified circumstances, as part of the MSC programme.

MSC notes the factors presented supporting your request, including:

- The CAB concludes that 7.4.13.1.b is met it is not commercially feasible to separate non-target catch from the target (P1) catch
- The CAB concludes that 7.4.13.1.c is met the total combined proportion of catches from IPI stocks does not exceed 15% by weight of the total combined catches of P1 stock and IPI stocks for the UoA.
- The CAB concludes that 7.4.13.1 is met the IPI stocks are not ETP species.
- The CAB concludes that 7.4.14.2.a.i is met the catch proportion of IPI stocks is less than or equal to 2%, and the total catch of IPI stocks by the UoA does not create a significant impact on the IPI stocks as a whole.

In this case the rationale is insufficient for the MSC to grant a variation to the CR. This request is therefore declined.

The CAB has not confirmed that the IPI stocks are not certified separately as per FCR 7.4.13.1.e

If you have any questions regarding this response, please do not hesitate to contact the relevant Fisheries Assessment Manager for this fishery.

Marine Stewardship Council cc: Accreditation Services International