



Icelandic Group PLC (IGP)
Icelandic Haddock Fisheries
Marine Stewardship Council Certification
Certification Body: Det Norske Veritas

Announcement of Determination and Release of Final Report for Stakeholder Comment

Det Norske Veritas (DNV) announces that following the 30 day period of stakeholder comment on the Public Comment Draft Report the Certification team at DNV Certification AS has reviewed the report which includes the Peer reviewer comments and all stakeholder comments.

DNV's certification team has reached the Determination that the Icelandic Haddock stock in Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone (200nm) within ICES division area V (FAO area 27) using Demersal otter trawl, Danish seine, long line, hand line and gill net as harvesting methods (as defined in the accompanying report) should be certified according to the Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fisheries set by the Marine Stewardship Council.

The Final Report for this assessment is now available on the MSC website. Please note that this is a determination and not a final certification result. The fishery is not certified until the final consultation period of 15 working days has been concluded. In this period a party may lodge a statement of intent to object on either merit grounds (if the party has previously provided input to the assessment team) or procedural grounds (if any party has been prevented from earlier participation in the assessment process). Additionally any party (regardless of prior participation) may file support of a merit objection.

A description of the Grounds for Objection is available in the MSC Objections Procedure on www.msc.org

Intent to file an Objection should be addressed to DNV contact person and copied to MSC's Chief Executive by **15:00 GMT on 13th March 2012**

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