



## **American Albacore Fishing Association**

### **North Pacific albacore pole & line and troll/jig fishery and South Pacific albacore troll/jig fishery**

#### **MSC Certification Certification Body: Intertek Moody Marine**

#### **Notification of Proposed Peer Reviewers**

A Peer Review panel has been proposed for the above two fisheries. Potential peer reviewers have been approached on the basis of their experience of one or more of the following; the fishery under assessment, fishery management, stock assessment issues and relevant ecosystem interactions.

Brief details of each reviewer are provided below. All stakeholders (including the applicant fisheries) are now given the opportunity to state any objections to the selection of a proposed member of the peer review panel, on the basis of any conflicts of interest, accompanied by a statement on the basis of any objection.

If you wish to provide comment at any stage of the assessment process the MSC have provided a template for stakeholders to complete and submit their comments. This can be downloaded from the following link:

<http://www.msc.org/documents/scheme-documents/forms-and-templates/msc-template-for-stakeholder-input-into-fishery-assessments/view>

Comments on the suitability of any of the persons listed below should be forwarded, **before 17:00 GMT on the 25<sup>th</sup> of May 2012, to Dr. Rob Blyth-Skyrme** at Intertek Moody Marine as follows:

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#### **Proposed Peer Reviewers:**

1. **Robert Gillett:** Robert Gillett has been involved in tuna fisheries and their development/management over the last 30 years. This has included three years aboard a pole-and-line vessel, over 100 reports and publications on tuna fisheries, and work in New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Fiji, Tonga, Wallis-Futuna, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Northern Marianas, Guam,

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Tokelau, Cook Islands, French Polynesia, New Zealand, Australia, Nauru, Samoa, American Samoa, Pitcairn, Niue, Philippines, Indonesia, Pakistan, Seychelles and Maldives. Gillett's clients for the tuna work have included the United Nations Development Programme, Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Forum Fisheries Agency, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Bank, International Finance Corporation, the Australian Agency for International Development, the Nature Conservancy, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, the Asian Development Bank, University of Hawaii, U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, European Union, Commonwealth Secretariat, the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission, the Worldwide Fund for Nature, the International Sustainable Seafood Foundation, and the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission. Some of his recent report/publications on tuna fisheries include:

- Gillett, R. and A. Anganuzzi (in prep.). Tuna for Tomorrow: Information on an Important Indian Ocean Tuna Resource. Indian Ocean Commission and Indian Ocean Tuna Commission. 40 pages.
- Gillett, R. (2012). The Management of Tuna Baitfisheries in Indonesia, Japan, and the Maldives. International Seafood Sustainability Foundation, Washington DC.
- Preston, G. and R. Gillett (2012). Review of Core Activities and Sustainable Financing Options for the SPC Division of Fisheries, Aquaculture and Marine Ecosystems. Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Noumea, 36 pages.
- Gillett, R. (2011). The Management of Indian Ocean Tuna: Awareness Raising. Indian Ocean Commission, 15 pages.
- Gillett, R. and I. Lister (2011). The FFA Fishery Observer Programme: Enhancement of Administrative Procedures. Forum Fisheries Agency, Honiara, 55 pages.
- Herrera, M. and R. Gillett (in prep.). Small Scale Tuna Fisheries of the World. Chapter 6 in: *Tunas and Their Fisheries: Safeguarding Sustainability in the 21st Century*.
- Gillett, R. (2011). Tuna Fisheries of the Pacific Islands Region: Briefing Notes for the WWF South Pacific Office. World Wide Fund for Nature. 30 pages.
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- Bell, J., C. Reid, M. Batty, E. Allison, P. Lehodey, L. Rodwell, T. Pickering, R. Gillett, J. Johnson, A. Hobday and A. Demmke (2011). Implications of Climate Change for Contributions by Fisheries and Aquaculture to Economic Development, Government Revenue, Food Security and Livelihoods in the Pacific Community. Chapter 12 In: *Vulnerability of Tropical Pacific Fisheries and Aquaculture to Climate Change*. Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Noumea.
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- Gillett, R. (2011). Replacing Purse Seining with Pole-and-Line Fishing in the Western Pacific: Some Aspects of the Baitfish Requirements. *Marine Policy* 35, pages 148–154.
- Gillett, R. (2010). The Role of Pacific Island Tuna Fisheries in Building Economic Resilience for Adaption to Climate Change. *Forum Fisheries Agency Honiara*, 4 pages.
- Gillett, R. (2010). Development and Management of Tuna Fisheries in Pakistan. *Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Rome*, 25 pages.
- Gillett, R. (2010). Learning from Experience: Fisheries Centres in the Pacific Islands. Policy Brief SPSO 2010/001, Asian Development Bank, Suva, 7 pages. Also in: *Fisheries Newsletter #133 - September/December 2011*, Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Noumea, pages 29-34.
- Gillett, R. and J. Manieva (2010). Development of a Strategy for Increasing Employment of PNA Nationals on Fishing Vessels Operating in PNA Waters. *The World Bank and the PNA Office*, 55 pages.
- Gillett, R. (2010). Marine Fishery Resources in the Pacific Islands. In: *Review of the State of World Marine Fishery Resources*, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Rome, 12 pages.
- Gillett, R. and I. Cartwright (2010). The Future of Pacific Island Fisheries. Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Noumea and the Forum Fisheries Agency, Honiara, ISBN: 978-982-00-0422-1, 37 pages [115 page version also available].
- Gillett, R. (2010). Marine Fishery Resources of the Pacific Islands. *FAO Fisheries and Aquaculture Technical Paper. No. 537*. Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Rome, 56 pages.
- Gillett, R. (2010). Reform of Licensing Practices in Tonga's Fisheries Sector. *International Finance Corporation, Sydney*, 34 pages.
- Gillett, R. (2010). Guidelines for the Monitoring and Management of the Humphead Wrasse, *Cheilinus undulatus*. *FAO Fisheries Circular No. 1048, FIRF/1048 (En)*, ISSN 2070-6065, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Rome. 75 pages.
- Gillett, R. (2009). Fisheries in the Economies of Pacific Island Countries and Territories. *Pacific Studies Series*, Asian Development Bank, World Bank, Forum Fisheries Agency, Secretariat of the Pacific Community, and Australian Agency for International Development, 520 pages.
- Gillett, R. (2009). Fishery Country Profiles for the Pacific Islands. *Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Rome*, 120 pages.

2. **Kevin McLoughlin:** Kevin McLoughlin is a specialist fisheries consultant who previously worked with the Bureau of Rural Sciences as a Senior Fisheries Scientist engaged in a wide range of international and domestic fisheries issues with close links to Government policy. Responsibilities included production of BRS Fishery Status Reports—these have had a major influence on the direction of Australia's fisheries management and policy. Responsibilities have required a high level of interaction with policy and industry clients, and with international organisations. An important aspect of his work has been to be able to translate complex fisheries information to a range of audiences. Examples of recent roles include:

- Undertaking of assessment work and peer review for fisheries undergoing certification by the Marine Stewardship Council.
- Risk assessment of fishing gear used in fisheries off eastern Australia as a precursor to the development of marine protected areas.

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- Leader of Australia's 2006 delegation during 2 weeks of scientific meetings of the Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna in Tokyo.
- Member of Australian Fishery Management Authority fishery assessment and management advisory groups, including as Chair of the Western Tuna and Billfish Resource Assessment Group and scientific member of the Western Tuna and Billfish Management Advisory Committee from 2005 to 2008.
- Member of DAFF's Shark Implementation Group for implementation of the National Plan of Action for Sharks.
- Chair of the National Shark Recovery Group from 2005 to 2008.
- Australian representative on scientific issues at the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) for 4 years; Chair of the IOTC Working Party on Ecosystems and Bycatch for its first 3 annual meetings; Chair of the IOTC Working Party on Billfish in 2006.
- Participation in Australian delegation at 2008 meeting to progress the *Regional Plan of Action to Promote Responsible Fishing Practices including Combating IUU Fishing* in Bangkok.

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