

## Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) Certification

### Canada 3LN Redfish Fishery

#### Notice of Change in Unit of Certification (UoC)

SAI Global Assurance Services is currently undertaking the assessment of the above fishery against the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fishing, and would like to announce the change the Unit of Certification for this fishery.

Before the finalisation of the Client Draft Report, the assessment team was recently provided with the results of the fall 2015 DFO RV survey and of samples taken on-board Canada commercial fishing vessels. The assessment team's analysis on this additional information leads to a Change in the Unit of Certification. The modification concerns the target species which is now *Sebastes fasciatus* (Acadian redfish), *S. mentella* (deep-sea redfish) will be scored under Retained Species Performance Indicators (Principle 2) as an Inseparable or Practicably Inseparable (IPI) stock.

The assessment team determined that it requires a change in the Assessment tree to be used and has implications on the scoring of the Principle 1 and the Principle 2. A re-scoring of Principle 1 and Principle 2 will be carried out once the stakeholder notification for additional consultation period will end (25<sup>th</sup> July 2016).

The new UoC is

##### UoC 1

<b>Target Species</b>	<i>Sebastes fasciatus</i> , Acadian redfish
<b>Geographical Area</b>	NAFO Divisions 3LN (within and outside Canada EEZ)
<b>Stock</b>	3LN Acadian redfish stock
<b>Method of capture</b>	Bottom trawl
<b>Management system</b>	NAFO / Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) Newfoundland and Labrador Region
<b>Client Group</b>	Groundfish Enterprise Allocation Council (GEAC)

##### UoC 2

<b>Target Species</b>	<i>Sebastes fasciatus</i> , Acadian redfish
<b>Geographical Area</b>	NAFO Divisions 3LN (within and outside Canada EEZ)
<b>Stock</b>	3LN Acadian redfish stock
<b>Method of capture</b>	Mid-water trawl
<b>Management system</b>	NAFO / Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) Newfoundland and Labrador Region
<b>Client Group</b>	Groundfish Enterprise Allocation Council (GEAC)

Thank you.

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