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Kolkhoz Udarnik Karaginsky Gulf Karaga

Bay and Litke Strait pacific salmon

MSC Fishery Announcement

17 March 2021

1 Marine Stewardship Council fishery announcement

Table X – Fishery announcement

1	Fishery name	
	Kolkhoz Udarnik Karaginsky Gulf Karaga Bay and Litke Strait pacific salmon	
2	Assessment number	
	Initial assessment	
3	Reduced reassessment (Yes/No)	
	N/A	
4	Statement that the fishery is within scope	
	<p>UCSL United Certification Systems Limited as the Conformity Assessment Body confirms that Kolkhoz Udarnik LLC Pacific Salmon in Karaginsky Gulf, Karaga Bay and Litke Strait is in scope for MSC assessment through meeting the following scope requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The fishery does not target amphibians, reptiles, birds or mammals (7.4.2.1, MSC 2020a). • The fishery does not use poisons or explosives (7.4.2.2, MSC 2020a). • The fishery is not conducted under a controversial unilateral exemption to an international agreement (7.4.2.3, MSC 2020a). • The client or client group does not include an entity that has been successfully prosecuted for a forced or child labour violation in the last 2 years (7.4.2.4, MSC 2020a). • The client or client group does not include an entity that has been convicted for a violation in law with respect to shark finning (7.4.2.10, MSC 2020a). • There is a mechanism for resolving disputes, and disputes do not overwhelm the fishery (7.4.2.11, MSC 2020a). 	
5	Unit(s) of Assessment - UoA(s)	
	UoA 1	Description
	Species	Pink salmon (<i>Oncorhynchus gorbuscha</i>)
	Stock	Populations of pink salmon spawning along the coast of Karaginsky Gulf on Eastern Kamchatka and adjacent rivers whose populations can be intercepted by the fishery.
	Geographical area	Karaginskaya Subzone (FAO 61.02.1); Karaginsky Gulf including Karaga Bay and Litke Strait.
	Fishing gear	Coastal trap nets
	Client group	Kolkhoz Udarnik LLC
	Other eligible fishers	
	UoA 2	Description
	Species	Chum salmon (<i>Oncorhynchus keta</i>)
	Stock	Populations of pink salmon spawning along the coast of Karaginsky Gulf on Eastern Kamchatka and adjacent rivers whose populations can be intercepted by the fishery.
	Geographical area	Karaginskaya Subzone (FAO 61.02.1); Karaginsky Gulf including Karaga Bay and Litke Strait.

	Fishing gear	Coastal trap nets
	Client group	Kolkhoz Udarnik LLC
	Other eligible fishers	
	UoA 3	Description
	Species	Sockeye salmon (<i>Oncorhynchus nerka</i>)
	Stock	Populations of pink salmon spawning along the coast of Karaginsky Gulf on Eastern Kamchatka and adjacent rivers whose populations can be intercepted by the fishery.
	Geographical area	Karaginskaya Subzone (FAO 61.02.1); Karaginsky Gulf including Karaga Bay and Litke Strait.
	Fishing gear	Coastal trap nets
	Client group	Kolkhoz Udarnik LLC
	Other eligible fishers	
6	Certificate sharing statement	
	Kolkhoz Udarnik LLC allows certificate sharing for the companies participating in the certification process and new companies willing to join the certificate under the conditions specified in the certificate sharing agreement (attached).	
7	Name of proposed team leader	
	<p>Dr. Petr Vasilets, Team Leader, P1 and P2 expert</p> <p>He worked for more than 25 years as a fishery scientist in the Kamchatka branch of VNIRO (Russian Federal Research Institute of Fisheries and Oceanography). He received PhD in biology in 2000 with a thesis on the "The smelts in the coastal waters of Kamchatka". He has over 50 scientific publications on various aspects of fisheries. In 2020-2021, he successfully completed MSC online training, including MSC Risk Based Framework (RBF), for role "Fishery Team Leader". Petr has participated in six assessments conducted by CAB Marine Certification LLC (now — UCSL), as a trainee for team member and team leader and as a team member (expert on Principle 1 and Principle 2). He has passed the Traceability and RBF training modules. Petr has also taken CQI and IRCA Certified EMS Lead Auditor Training course.</p> <p>UCSL United Certification Systems Limited confirms that Dr. Petr Vasilets meets the Team Leader and Team Member competency requirements (Table PC1 and PC2, MSC 2020a), and contributes towards the Audit Team meeting the Fishery Team competency requirements (Table PC3, MSC 2020a). It is also confirmed that Dr. Petr Vasilets has no conflicts of interest in relation to the fishery under assessment. A full C.V. of Dr. Petr Vasilets is available on request.</p>	
8	Name(s) of proposed team members	
	<p>Dr. Mohamed Samy-Kamal, P3 expert</p> <p>UCSL confirms that Dr. Mohamed Samy-Kamal meets the competency criteria for team members as specified in FCP v.2.2:</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - He holds an MSc in Economics and Management of Fisheries and a PhD in Marine Science and Applied Biology and more than 3 years' research experience in fisheries - He has passed MSC Team Member training, including relevant updates - He has participated in more than 2 MSC fishery assessments in the last 5 years - He has more than 3 years' experience as a practicing fishery manager and/or fishery/policy analyst/consultant - He has passed the Traceability and RBF training modules <p>It is also confirmed that Dr. Mohamed Samy-Kamal has no conflicts of interest in relation to the fishery under assessment. A full C.V. is available on request.</p>
9	Stakeholder opportunities
	<p>The ACDR published on the MSC website for this assessment is subject to stakeholder comments for a period of 60 days. UCSL invites stakeholders to provide any input or comments on the ACDR till 17th May 2021 17.00 GMT. Notification of this will be additionally sent by email to all stakeholders identified with the client. Written submissions must be made via the 'MSC Template for Stakeholder Input into Fisheries Assessments v4.0' which can be found on the MSC website https://www.msc.org/for-business/certification-bodies/supporting-documents/Index?search=stakeholder+input</p> <p>UCSL asks stakeholders to contact us at t.pitieva@ucsl.eu if you are on the stakeholder list for this fishery and would like to ensure you are notified of the consultation opportunities and to arrange participation during the site visit.</p> <p>The assessment team is available to meet remotely during the site visit to be held from 17th to 21th June 2021.</p>
10	Assessment tree to be used
	The default assessment tree (MSC Fisheries Standard v.2.01) will be used in this assessment.
11	Estimated timeline
	<p>The preliminary timeline for this assessment is as follows:</p> <hr/> <p>ACDR consultations – 17th March 2021 – 17th May 2021 Site visit – 17th – 21th June 2021 CPRDR – July 2021 PCDR – August 2021 Final report – September 2021 PCR and certification decision – October 2021</p>

12	Site visit
	<p>In line with the MSC September 2020 Covid-19 derogation, a variation request and risk assessment will be submitted to MSC, requesting approval to hold the site visit remotely given ongoing health and safety concerns regarding Covid-19. P3 expert are not able to travel to Russia due to the travel restrictions, while team leader, P1 and P2 expert will participate onsite. To mitigate the risk of the remote activities UCSL will include a description of measures.</p> <p>The site visit is scheduled for 17th – 21th June 2021.</p> <p>A key purpose of the site visit is to collect information and speak to stakeholders with an interest in the fishery. For those parts of the assessment involving the MSC's Risk- Based Framework (RBF, see msc.org), we will be using a stakeholder-driven, qualitative and semi-quantitative analysis during the site visit. To achieve a robust outcome from this consultative approach, we rely heavily on participation of a broad range of stakeholders with a balance of knowledge of the fishery. We encourage any stakeholders with experience or knowledge of the fishery to participate in these meetings either onsite or remotely.</p>
13	Assessment tree modifications
	N/A
14	Announcement Comment Draft Report stakeholder input deadline
	17th May 2021 17:00 GMT

UCSL would like to invite all interested stakeholders to provide information relevant to this fishery.

If you would like to meet with the team in person please contact UCSL certification manager Tatiana Pitieva via email (t.pitieva@ucsl.eu) or telephone (+7 981 195 1778).

Remote meetings will be arranged via Skype conferences with the team. You are also encouraged to provide written submissions to the above specified email address. The latter shall be made by using the Template for Stakeholders Input into MSC assessments available for downloading here <https://www.msc.org/for-business/certification-bodies/supporting-documents/Index?search=stakeholder+input>

UCSL encourages stakeholders not to withhold any information, including concerns and knowledge about the specified fishery. All comments shall be supported by objective evidence. If there is any information which cannot be shared with any other stakeholders, it will not be referenced in the surveillance report and cannot be used in determining conformity of the fishery with the MSC Standard. Information will be kept confidential if it is restricted to financial transactions about certification, the financial affairs of individual companies or information that may lead to this information being made public, or information that is the subject of relevant national privacy or data protection legislation in the client's country.

Submitted by: Tatiana Pitieva

Date: 17th March 2021

Appendix 1: Summaries of CVs of team leader and team members

Dr. Petr Vasilets, Team Leader, P1 and P2 expert:

Dr. Petr Vasilets worked for more than 25 years as a fishery scientist in the Kamchatka branch of VNIRO (Russian Federal Research Institute of Fisheries and Oceanography). He received PhD in biology in 2000 with a thesis on the "The smelts in the coastal waters of Kamchatka". He has over 50 scientific publications on various aspects of fisheries. In 2020-2021, he successfully completed MSC online training, including MSC Risk Based Framework (RBF), for role "Fishery Team Leader". Petr has participated in six assessments conducted by CAB Marine Certification LLC (now — UCSL), as a trainee for team member and team leader and as a team member (expert on Principle 1 and Principle 2). He has passed the Traceability and RBF training modules. Petr has also taken CQI and IRCA Certified EMS Lead Auditor Training course.

Dr. Mohamed Samy-Kamal, P3 expert

Dr. Samy-Kamal is a fisheries scientist. He was a scholarship holder of the research institution (IAMZ-CIHEAM) of Zaragoza for his MSc and of the Spanish Agency for International Development and Cooperation (MAEC-AECID) of Madrid for his PhD. His research experience focused on the evaluation of management measures applied to fisheries and the evaluation of fisheries policy and governance. His research areas are fisheries management especially multi-species demersal fisheries of Mediterranean Sea, trawl selectivity, Red Sea fisheries and MPAs. Dr. Samy-Kamal has authored a number of scientific articles, regularly participates in international fisheries conferences (e.g. Iberian Symposium of Marine Biology Studies) and used to teach as well as to supervise MSc theses in the international master programme of Sustainable fisheries management organized by University of Alicante and IAMZ-CIHEAM. Dr. Samy-Kamal has also taken numerous technical courses, including on MSC evaluation tools, MSC RBF and MSC Chain of Custody (CoC). During the last 5 years he has been involved in different MSC full-assessments and pre-assessments mainly in Russia and Estonia and has gained experience as MSC certification P3 assessor.

Appendix 2: Client certificate sharing statement

**Limited liability company "Kolkhoz "Udarnik"
(LLC «Kolkhoz "Udarnik")**

Taxpayer identification number 82036010961

Registration reason code 820301001

Principle State Registration Number 1124177000683

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Operating account 40702810600590002704 at PJS SCBP Primorye "Primsotsbank"

Bank Identification Code 040507803 Correspondent account 30101810200000000803

№ 15/6 dated 18.01.2021

To Director of
United Certification Systems Limited
Olga Shuvalova

Dear Olga Shuvalova!

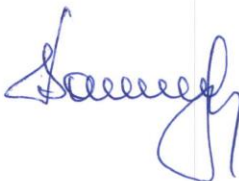
Please be informed of the possibility of **(group) sharing of the Pacific salmon fishery certificate: «Karaginsky Gulf, Karaga Bay and Litke Strait salmon»** according to principles and criteria of the MSC subject to the following:

1. All fishing and processing organizations, their assigned fishing areas, means of vessel transport belonging to them, holding Russian licenses (fishery permits) to fish (catch) aquatic bioresources within the scope of the Pacific salmon fishery certificate **«Karaginsky Gulf, Karaga Bay and Litke Strait salmon»** within the aquatic area covered by the Unit of Certification (UoC) and participating in the certification process will be covered by this certificate without cost.

2. LLC «Kolkhoz «Udarnik» will accept new participants – fishing and processing organizations having their assigned fishing areas within the area covered by the Unit of Certification (UoC), means of vessel transport belonging to them, holding Russian licenses (fishery permits) to fish (catch) aquatic bioresources, into the client group of coverage of the obtained fishery certificate **«Karaginsky Gulf, Karaga Bay and Litke Strait salmon»** based on the Partnership agreement concluded with them and on an equitable sharing of costs associated with obtaining, maintaining and prolongation of the MSC certificate.

3. For any further information on possibilities of certificate sharing please contact Vasilevich A.V. - nahproizv@kolhlen.kamchatka.ru.

Director of LLC «Kolkhoz «Udarnik»



A.V.Vasilevich

Общество с ограниченной ответственностью "Колхоз Ударник"
(ООО «Колхоз Ударник»)

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Директору
United Certification Systems Limited
Ольге Шуваловой

Уважаемая Ольга Шувалова!

Уведомляем Вас о возможности **Коллективного (группового) использования сертификата на промысел тихоокеанских лососей: «Karaginsky Gulf, Karaga Bay and Litke Strait salmon»** согласно принципам и критериям Морского попечительского совета с соблюдением следующего:

1. Все добывающие и перерабатывающие организации, закрепленные за ними рыболовные участки, принадлежащие им судовые транспортные средства, имеющие Российские лицензии (рыболовные разрешения) на добычу (вылов) водных биоресурсов в рамках действия сертификата на промысел тихоокеанских лососей **«Karaginsky Gulf, Karaga Bay and Litke Strait salmon»** в покрываемой Единицей сертификации (UoC) акватории и участвующие в сертификационном процессе, будут включены в действие данного сертификата на бесплатной основе.

2. ООО «Колхоз Ударник» примет новых участников – добывающие и перерабатывающие организации, имеющие закрепленные за ними рыболовные участки, находящиеся в районе, покрываемой Единицей сертификации (UoC); принадлежащие им судовые транспортные средства, имеющие Российские лицензии (рыболовные разрешения) на добычу (вылов) водных биоресурсов в клиентскую группу действия полученного сертификата на промысел **«Karaginsky Gulf, Karaga Bay and Litke Strait salmon»** на основании заключения с ними Соглашения о партнерстве и равного разделения затрат, связанных с получением, сопровождением и продлением указанного MSC сертификата.

3. Для получения более подробной информации о возможностях коллективного использования сертификата предприятиям предлагается связаться с Василевичем А.В. - nahproizv@kolhlen.kamchatka.ru.

Директор ООО «Колхоза Ударник»



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