



Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) Certification

Affiliation of Seafood Producers Association of Nova Scotia (ASPANS)

Scotian Shelf & Gulf of St. Lawrence

Snow Crab (*Chionoecetes opilio*) Trap Fishery

Nominations for Assessment Team Membership

Global Trust Certification Ltd is currently undertaking the assessment of the above fishery against the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fishing. To assist with this assessment, Global Trust is also in the process of assembling an assessment team comprising of members with experience and expertise in the areas of stock assessment, ecosystem interactions and fishery management appropriate to this fishery. The persons proposed as team members of this fishery assessment team are set out below together with a brief summary of their experience and expertise. They have been proposed on the basis of their experience in the areas of stock assessment, ecosystem interactions and fishery management. The assessment co-coordinator and lead assessor from Global Trust will be Dave Garforth. All stakeholders are now invited to provide any comments on the suitability or otherwise of any of the nominees by:

- **17.00 GMT 17th October 2011**

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Jerry Ennis (Lead Assessor and Responsibilities on Principle 1 & Principle 2)

Following undergraduate and graduate degrees at Memorial University of Newfoundland in the 1960s, Dr. Ennis completed a Ph.D. in marine biology at University of Liverpool in the early 1970s. He retired in 2005 following a 37-year research career with the Science Branch of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. His extensively published work has focused primarily on lobster fishery and population biology and on various aspects of larval, juvenile and adult lobster behaviour and ecology in Newfoundland waters. Throughout his career, Dr. Ennis was heavily involved in the review and formulation of scientific advice for management of shellfish in Atlantic Canada as well as the advisory/consultative part of managing the Newfoundland lobster fishery.

Eric Dunne (Responsibilities on Principle 3 & 2)

Eric has over 45 years experience in the economic, policy and operations analyses and executive management of the full range of fishery management activities and functions. Since 1995, he has been a fishery consultant based in St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada, specializing in comprehensive analysis of all aspects of fisheries management activities and issues.

With an educational background in the economics of fishing, he had previously held senior positions in the Department's economics and policy development functions. He later gained experience in the area of fisheries innovation and technology development. As well, he has lectured on fisheries management and fisheries economics in the Masters of Marine Studies Program at Memorial University of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Most recently he has become fully versed in the overall MSC assessment process. In this context, he has assessed all aspects of the management systems utilised for a variety of finfish and shellfish fisheries from the sub-Arctic areas of the Northwest Atlantic to the Gulf of Mexico.

Dave Garforth (Team Leader)

Mr Garforth has been involved in fisheries and aquatic resources for over 20 years. He has been engaged directly in the enforcement of fisheries legislation as a SOAFED (then DAF's) Fishery Officer operating in the UK. Dave Garforth is currently based Global Trust Ltd as a technical expert in fisheries and a lead IRCA approved auditor. Fisheries research experience at universities of Hull, UK and Cork, Ireland. Dave manages the overall fisheries certification program at Global Trust including assessments to the MSC Sustainable Fishing Standard.

Clare Murray (Assessment Coordinator/ISO lead Auditor)

Clare manages the technical and administrative functions of Global Trust's MSC Fishery Programme and is a lead IRCA approved auditor. Clare has worked directly in fisheries stock assessment as an observer on national projects in Ireland with the Marine Institute of Ireland. This work involved fisheries research on Marine Institute national surveys and on the discard observer programme. For 2 years she has worked with an NGO, Irish Whale and Dolphin Group in Ireland. The work involved coordination of the ISCOPE program in the Irish Sea, with particular emphasis on the spatial and temporal abundance of cetaceans in the Irish Sea. Professional qualifications include a Masters Degree in Fisheries Technology (related to the development of new environmentally friendly pot based fishery techniques) and a degree in Marine Science from the National University of Ireland, Galway.