



FAO-Based Responsible Fisheries Management Programme

Site Visit Confirmation & Site Visit Plan

Surveillance Audit No. 1 (2014)

Fishery Name: U.S. Alaska Pacific cod (federal and state) commercial fisheries in the BSAI and GOA

18th February 2014

Dear Randy Rice,

This letter is to substantiate the Surveillance Consultation Meetings (as confirmed with the various management organizations) for the purposes of on-site assessment of the US Alaska Pacific cod (federal and state) commercial fisheries in the BSAI and GOA to the FAO-Based Responsible Fisheries Management Certification Programme.

The fisheries that are subject to the assessment include:

Unit of Certification			
U.S. ALASKA Pacific Cod Commercial Fisheries			
Fish Species (Common & Scientific Name)	Geographical Location of Fishery	Gear Type	Principal Management Authority
Pacific cod (<i>Gadus macrocephalus</i>)	Gulf of Alaska and Bering Sea & Aleutian Islands	Bottom trawl, Longline, Pot and Jig gear.	National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) North Pacific Fishery Management Council (NPFMC) Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADFG) & Board of Fisheries (BOF)

*Note that the Assessment Units are investigated during the validation assessment stage.

The site visit will be for surveillance assessment purposes. The assessment will be against the requirements of the FAO-Based RFM certification programme. A schedule of the meetings is enclosed.

Yours sincerely,

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U.S. Alaska Pacific cod (federal and state) commercial fisheries in the BSAI and GOA FAO-Based RFM Assessment

1st Surveillance Audit (March 2014) - Meetings Schedule

Date	Time	Organization	City/Town	Staff Representative/contact
10 th to 13 th September 2013.	Day Meetings	Alaska Fisheries Science Centre (AFSC)	Seattle, WA	Groundfish Plan Team BSAI and GOA meetings
10 th to 12 th December 2013.	Day Meetings	North Pacific Fishery Management Council (NPFMC)	Anchorage, AK	NPFMC meetings
6 th of March 2014	9.00 am	Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G)	Juneau, AK	Forrest Bowers
6 th of March 2014	2.00 pm	US Coast Guard	Juneau, AK	Lt Kenne
7 th of March 2014	1.00 pm	Alaska Wildlife Troopers	Juneau, AK	Lt Streifel
11 th of March 2014	2.30 pm	Alaska Wildlife Troopers	Kodiak, AK	Lt Ellis

Interested parties who wish to submit valuable objective information relevant to the fishery in question can consult with the assessment team before, during or after the site visit using the on-line facility at the ASMI website:

<http://sustainability.alaskaseafood.org/stakeholder-involvement#submission> or by contacting the following person in Global Trust: vito.romito@saiglobal.com