

## **FAO Based Responsible Fisheries Management Certification**

### **Notice of 2<sup>nd</sup> Surveillance Assessment Team Nomination**

**4<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

**Application submitted by: The Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute**

**On Behalf of  
The U.S. Alaska Pollock Commercial Fisheries**

Based on the technical expertise required to carry out the above fishery assessment, Global Trust Certification Ltd., is pleased to confirm the 2<sup>nd</sup> Surveillance Assessment team members for the fishery as follows.

#### **Rick Stanley (Assessor)**

Rick Stanley received a M.Sc. in Zoology from the University of British Columbia in 1977. Following work on overseas fisheries projects in Indonesia (1978) and El Salvador (1979), he worked for the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) as a research biologist at the Pacific Biological Station in Nanaimo Canada until August 2013. During those years with DFO, he was senior author or co-author of 19 peer-reviewed stock assessments on British Columbia populations of various species of rockfishes (*Sebastes* spp.). He also served on the working groups and review committees of assessment on many other species of groundfish and invertebrates. In addition to stock assessment activity, he has published primary papers on the general biology of rockfishes including papers on ageing, parasites and reproductive biology, as well acoustic biomass estimation. An additional focus of Mr. Stanley's work at DFO was the development of fishery catch monitoring programs and bottom trawl surveys for groundfish. Following his retirement from DFO in August 2013, Mr. Stanley began work as a self-employed fisheries consultant.

#### **Dr. Geraldine Criquet (Assessor)**

Géraldine Criquet holds a PhD in Marine Ecology (École Pratique des Hautes Études, France) which focused on coral reef fisheries management, Marine Protected Areas and fish ecology. She has also been involved during 2 years in stock assessments of pelagic resources in the Biscay Gulf, collaborating with IFREMER. She worked 2 years for the Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (IRD) at Reunion Island for studying fish target species growth and connectivity between fish populations in the Indian Ocean using otolith analysis. She served as Consultant for FAO on a Mediterranean Fisheries Program (COPEMED) and developed and implemented during 2 years a monitoring program of catches and fishing effort in the Marine Natural Reserve of Cerbere---

Banyuls (France). Geraldine has joined Global Trust Certification in August 2012 as a Fisheries Assessment Officer and is involved in FAO RFM and MSC fisheries assessments.

**Erica Fruh (Assessor)**

Erica Fruh has been involved in commercial fisheries management for over 15 years. She earned her BSc in Marine Biology from Auburn University, and her MSc in Marine Resource Management from Oregon State University. Her MSc project focused on bycatch in trawl and longline fisheries. Previous experience includes fishery biologist roles with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission and NOAA Fisheries. She has worked with most fishing gear types used along the U.S. west coast, spending numerous days at sea participating in tagging studies, population monitoring, bycatch monitoring and fishing mortality studies. She worked as a commercial fisheries observer in the U.S. west coast groundfish trawl fishery, the Oregon pink shrimp fishery and the seine sardine fishery. She spent 10 years contributing to the National Marine Fisheries Service U.S. west coast groundfish bottom trawl survey gathering data for stock assessments, and leading projects on marine debris, seabird sightings and age structure collection. She serves on the Board of Directors for the Newport Fishermen's Wives organization to promote safety at sea.

**Vito Ciccio Romito (Lead Assessor)**

Vito holds a BSc in Ecology and an MSc in Tropical Coastal Management (Newcastle University, United Kingdom). His BSc studies focused on bycatch, discards, benthic impact of commercial fishing gear and relative technical solutions, after which he spent a year in Tanzania as a Marine Research officer at Mafia Island Marine Park carrying out biodiversity assessments and monitoring studies of coral reef, mangrove and seagrass ecosystems. Subsequently, for his MSc, he focused on fisheries assessment techniques, ecological dynamics of overexploited tropical marine ecosystems, and evaluation of low trophic aquaculture as a support to artisanal reef fisheries. Since 2010, he has been fully involved through Global Trust with the FAO-based RFM Assessment and Certification program covering the Alaska commercial salmon, halibut, sablefish, pollock, BSAI King and snow crab Pacific cod and flatfish fisheries, as well as the Icelandic cod, saithe, haddock and redfish fisheries. Vito is also a lead, third party IRCA approved auditor.