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## **Advisory**

### **At-Sea Processors Association Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Pollock Fishery Gulf of Alaska Pollock Fishery**

### **MSC Certification Certification Body: Moody Marine Ltd**

MSC certification requires annual surveillance audits of all certified fisheries. These are normally carried out within the 12 month period following the date of certificate issue.

However, this is complicated for the BS/AI fishery by ongoing research obligations of members of the assessment team, other commitments of NOAA Fisheries staff at this time (a very important stakeholder in this fishery) and, in 2007, coincidence of our planned visit with a fisheries symposium in Seattle (attended by both members of the assessment team and NOAA Fisheries staff).

Moody Marine has therefore requested of the MSC, and been granted, leave to extend slightly the timeframe over which the annual surveillance audits of these fisheries may be undertaken. Audits will continue to be annual, and a full complement of audits will be carried out. The requirements of the MSC certification methodology and the intent of the MSC Principles and Criteria will continue to be met in full. Stakeholders will be advised well in advance of the date of the surveillance audit.

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