

Bristol Channel Sea Bass Trawl Fishery

MSC Certification

Certification Body: Moody Marine Ltd

Notification of Proposed Peer Reviewers

A Peer Review panel has been proposed for this fishery. Potential peer reviewers have been approached on the basis of their experience of one or more of the following; the fishery under assessment, fishery management, stock assessment issues and relevant ecosystem interactions.

Brief details of each reviewer are provided overleaf. All stakeholders (including the applicant fishery) are now given the opportunity to state any objections to the selection of a proposed member of the peer review panel, on the basis of any conflicts of interest, accompanied by a statement on the basis of any objection.

Comments on the suitability of any of the persons listed below should be forwarded, **before 1700 BST on 25th October 2010**, to Jim Andrews at Moody Marine Ltd as follows:

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Proposed Peer Reviewers:

Dr. David Bennett.

David Bennett has 40 years experience in fisheries research, specialising in the biology, population dynamics, and assessment of commercially exploited fish and shellfish stocks (e.g. lobsters, crabs, *Nephrops*, shrimps) the provision of national and international fisheries management advice, and fisheries aspects of environmental impact studies. He chaired the ICES Working Group on *Nephrops* stocks, has been a member of a number of ICES Working and Study Groups, and an expert for DG XIV of the EU Commission. More recently as a consultant he has been a member of the MSC teams that assessed the UK NESFC Lobster and Bass fisheries and reassessed the Loch Torridon *Nephrops* Creel Fishery. He has peer reviewed the original MSC Loch Torridon assessment, the Burry Inlet Cockle, the Vietnamese Ben Tre Clam fishery, the Southern and SFSAG North Sea *Nephrops* and SFSAG North Sea Haddock trawl fisheries, the Stornoway *Nephrops* trawl fishery, and is currently reviewing the Clyde *Nephrops* trawl and creel fisheries.

Neil Downes

Neil Downes has 30 years experience in fisheries management, specialising in the control and exploitation of marine fisheries, nationally and internationally. He has worked in the Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food as a District Inspector of Fisheries during which he was involved with negotiations with DG XIV of the EU Commission. Internationally, he completed fisheries management assignments in the Falkland Islands, Mauritania, Angola, and Sierra Leone. More recently he was the Chief Fisheries Officer of Devon Sea Fisheries with responsibilities for coastal fisheries off both the North and South coasts of Devon. During his time in office he was also the Chair of Chief Fisheries Officers of England and Wales for eleven years which gave him and overview of the management of coastal fisheries with England and Wales.

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