



10 July 2013

Dear Stakeholder

TALLEYS GROUP LIMITED – APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM QUOTA AGGREGATION LIMITS

Talleys Group Ltd. have applied to the Minister for Primary Industries for an exemption from the quota aggregation limits set out in the Fisheries Act 1996 (the Act) to hold quota shares equivalent to 36.2% of the TACC for the southern bluefin tuna fishery (SBT1). Although the Talleys Group Ltd does not hold any SBT quota in its own right, it does have an interest in 35% of SBT quota through its existing associations with a number of other quota holders. Specifically, the request is to hold up to 10 metric tonnes of quota in its own right which would raise its holdings by association to 36.2% of the TACC.

Section 60 of the Act requires the Minister, when dealing with such requests, to consult with persons and organisations the Minister considers are representative of those classes of persons having an interest in the exemption decision. In making a decision the Minister is required to consider the matters specified in s 60 (3).

The Minister invites you or your organisation to make a submission on the request. In making your submission I request that you specifically address the matters that the Minister is required to consider under s 60 (3) of the Act. They are:

- a) The willingness and ability of other members of the New Zealand fishing industry to acquire quota of the relevant species;
- b) The likely effect of the granting or withholding of the consent on:
 - i) The development of any new or existing stocks or species;
 - ii) Other quota owners or commercial fishers;
 - iii) The processing and marketing of that stock or species;
 - iv) The ability of the applicant to take any other stock or species;
 - v) The efficiency of the New Zealand fishing industry or any person engaged in the New Zealand fishing industry;
- c) Such other matters as the Minister considers relevant. The Minister would also appreciate your views on what (if any) conditions should be attached to any consent on this proposal, should it be granted.

Please note that all submissions are subject to the Official Information Act and can be released, if requested under that Act. If you have any specific reasons for wanting your submission withheld please set out your reasons in the submission. MPI will consider those reasons when making any assessment for release of submissions if requested under the Official Information Act.

The Minister would appreciate submissions on this matter no later than **Wednesday 7 August**. Please send your submissions to:

Highly Migratory Species - Fisheries Management
Ministry for Primary Industries
PO Box 2526, WELLINGTON 6140

Or email: FMsubmissions@mpi.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J Helson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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