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Dear Stakeholder

Review of Sustainability Measures and Other Management Controls for the 2004-05 Fishing Year

Each year the Ministry of Fisheries (MFish) undertakes a process to review the management measures for some of New Zealand's fisheries. The **Initial Position Paper (IPP)** provides you with MFish's initial position on the sustainability measures and other management controls for the 2004-05 'post-April' sustainability round process which includes the following issues:

- i) Adaptive Management Programme Reviews – bluenose, elephant fish, John dory, pale ghost shark, red gurnard, school shark and tarakihi;
- ii) Conversion Factor Review – shark fin

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to participate in this review process.

MFish welcomes written submissions on the matters contained within the IPP. Written submissions are due by 11 June 2004 and should be posted to Submissions, Standards Team, Ministry of Fisheries, PO Box 1020, Wellington. Alternatively, electronic submissions can be emailed to PhilberK@fish.govt.nz

Should you wish to discuss the content of the IPP please contact:

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Please note that all submissions are subject to the Official Information Act and can be released, if requested, under that Act. If you have specific reasons for wanting to have your

submission withheld, please set out your reasons in the submission. MFish will consider those reasons when making any assessment for release of submissions if requested under the Official Information Act.

Yours sincerely

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