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CLARIFICATION ON MSC PA SCORES FOR THE PERUVIAN ANCHOVY - PURSE-SEINE SMALL-SCALE DHC (CHIMBOTE)

An MSC Pre-Assessment (MSC PA) of the Peruvian anchovy - purse-seine small-scale DHC that takes place in Pisco was hired in 2012 by Compañía Americana de Conservas (CAC). Bureau Veritas conducted the MSC PA using the MSC Certification Requirements (MSC CR) version 1.3 that were in force at the time, before the MSC CR version 2.0 were released to the public on 1st October 2014 and became effective on 1st April 2015 (see MSC CR v.2.0, page 6).

The MSC CR v2.0 brings the change of assessing non-target species depending on whether they are under management (primary) or not (secondary), instead of on whether they are retained or discarded. Therefore, old Performance Indicators related to components 2.1 (retained non-target species) and 2.2 (bycatch species) have to be re-assessed in order to have scores that reflect the situation of the fishery against the current requirements.

In addition, CAC changed its operations from Pisco to Chimbote, with a different fleet, even if both fleets belong to the small-scale category.

At the time of conducting the update of this pre-evaluation we did not have enough information to score Principle 2, and an essential part of the FIP is to collect that information through an onboard observers program. Therefore, in the meantime, a red score was allocated to all PIs within Principle 2 until the available information allows for a more accurate scoring.