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TO: ALL LICENSED BRITISH COLUMBIA SEAFOOD PROCESSORS

Re: 2016 List of Custom Seafood Processing Clients or Declaration, due January 11, 2017

British Columbia offered 487 seafood commodities in 2015, with a wholesale value of \$1.43 billion with 52% of the value generated from sale of wild and farmed salmon products.

We were able to generate the above statement by surveying all B.C. seafood sellers. Most of the seafood value is generated by B.C. fish processors like you, as well as licensed fish buyers, and brokers. However, there are also seafood marketers who do not hold these traditional licences, but have B.C. seafood custom processed or stored in B.C. plants for later sale.

To ensure we have a complete picture of B.C.'s seafood industry, **all B.C. fish processing plants are required to provide us with a report on custom processing activities.**

Please submit one of the following **no later than January 11, 2017**:

a) List of Custom Processing Clients

If your company custom processed, froze or held **commercial B.C. seafood** products for clients during the 2016 calendar year, we require a complete listing of those clients. We will contact the individuals or companies on the lists for information on their final products and wholesale values for inclusion in the B.C. seafood value total. For each client, please **be sure to include**: company name, contact person, email address, complete mailing address, and phone number. Please do **not include recreational harvest clients** for whom you custom processed, froze, or held fish or shellfish.

OR

b) Signed Declaration

If your company did not custom process, freeze or hold **commercial B.C. seafood** products for clients during 2016 - and therefore has no client list to submit - please complete and return the declaration on **the back of this page**.

Thank you in advance for your participation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by phone, email or fax.

Yours truly,

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2016 LICENSED B.C. SEAFOOD PROCESSING PLANT - DECLARATION

To be completed for those facilities that did not custom process, store or freeze B.C. commercial seafood for clients during the 2016 calendar year.

DECLARATION:

The company and plant listed below did not custom process, store or freeze B.C. commercial seafood products for clients during the 2016 calendar year and does not have a list of custom processing/storage clients to submit:

Licensee Name

Facility Address/Location

Signature

Name (please print)

Email address

Phone Number

The completed declaration can be submitted using any of the contacts noted below:

- by fax to: **1 888 356-0358** (toll free)
250 953-3401 (Victoria & area)
- by email to: Fishstats@gov.bc.ca
- by mail to: ATTN: CORPORATE STATISTICS & RESEARCH UNIT
CORPORATE GOVERNANCE, POLICY & LEGISLATION BRANCH
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