



Report Date: March 16, 2018

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Ocean Fisheries Limited
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Dear Ocean Fisheries Limited:

Re: Non-compliance Advisory Letter, Permit 1862, Prince Rupert - Royal

On February 08, 2018, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Environmental Protection Division staff conducted an inspection of your facility, Ocean Fisheries Limited located at Prince Rupert - Royal - Fish Processing Facility with authorization number 1862 under the *Environmental Management Act*. Ministry staff were accompanied on site by Lori Wilson, Canadian Fishing Company, and Craig Smith, Canadian Fishing Company.

This Advisory, the alleged violations and the circumstances to which it refers will form part of the compliance history of Ocean Fisheries Limited, and will be taken into account in the event of future non-compliance.

Please note that this authorization is considered to be out of compliance until such a time as it can be confirmed to meet the authorization requirements.

Inspection Details:

Requirement Description:	1. AUTHORIZED DISCHARGES, 1.1 Authorized Source 1.1.1: 1.1 This section applies to the discharge of process and domestic effluent from a fish processing plant. The site reference number for this discharge is E103455. 1.1.1 The maximum authorized rate of discharge is 600 cubic metres per day.
Details/Findings:	<p>On February 8, 2018, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy (Ministry) Officers Chris Garda and Neil Bailey (Officers) conducted a planned on-site inspection of the Ocean Fisheries Limited (Permittee) Royal fish processing facility (Facility) located in Prince Rupert, BC. The purpose of the inspection was to verify compliance with permit PE-1862 (Permit) which authorizes the discharge of effluent to the marine environment from the Facility. The time period assessed within this inspection report is from May 25, 2017 to February 8, 2018, as compliance is being assessed using the most recent version of the Permit issued on May 25, 2017.</p> <p>The Officers observed that the facility was not operational and currently being used for storage at the time of the inspection. The Permittee informed the Officers that the Facility has not been operational and has been used for storage only since 2012. In the permit file, a note dated August 15, 2012, prepared by Dan Brookes, Environmental Protection Technician, stated that the Facility had been closed and was no longer operational. This information was based on an August 3, 2012 telephone conversation with the Permittee.</p>

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Compliance:	Not Applicable
Actions to be taken:	No action required.
Requirement Description:	<p>3. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, 3.1 Reporting</p> <p>3.1: The Permittee must collect and maintain tonnage of each fish species processed per month and flow measurements required under this authorization for inspection when requested by Ministry staff and submit the data for the previous year to the Director in a form satisfactory to the Director. The Permittee must make data submissions in respect of each subsequent year on or before December 31 annually. The Permittee must submit all data required to be submitted under this section by email to the Ministry's Routine Environmental Reporting Submission Mailbox (RERSM) at EnvAuthorizationsReporting@gov.bc.ca or as otherwise instructed by the Director. For guidelines on how to properly name the files and email subject lines or for more information visit the Ministry website: http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/waste-management/waste-discharge-authorization/data-and-report-submissions/routine-environmental-reporting-submission-mailbox</p>
Details/Findings:	The 2017 annual report was due on December 31, 2017 and has not been received by the Ministry as of the time of this inspection.
Compliance:	Out
Actions to be taken:	<p>Please ensure to submit annual reports as per Permit Section 3.1. Annual reporting is required under the Permit for as long as the Permit remains active.</p> <p>The Permittee may consider a request to suspend or cancel the Permit. During a cancellation or suspension, the Permit would not be valid and the Permittee would have no rights or obligations under the Permit. Additional information on how to request an amendment, or suspension or cancellation, may be found on the waste discharge authorizations website: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/waste-management/waste-discharge-authorization/change-authorizations.</p>

As indicated in this inspection report, the authorization holder is currently identified as Ocean Fisheries Limited. As confirmed during the inspection, Canadian Fishing Company is the name of the company currently responsible for the Facility. It is important that the name on the authorization is the legal entity responsible for the Facility. If the responsible party is no longer Ocean Fisheries Limited, you are required to submit an application to amend the Permit to reflect the change in ownership. Further details on how to amend your registration can be found on our website at <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/waste-management/waste-discharge-authorization>.

During the inspection the Permittee indicated that they want to keep the Permit as it is possible that the facility may re-opened in the future.

Compliance History:

This is the first electronic compliance record for this authorization, since January 1, 2012

Please submit all annual/quarterly/monthly reports and data submissions to the Ministry's Routine Environmental Reporting Submission Mailbox at EnvAuthorizationsReporting@gov.bc.ca. More information about the reporting requirements may be found at <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/waste-management/waste-discharge-authorization/data-and-report-submissions/routine-environmental-reporting-submission-mailbox>.

Please be advised that this inspection report may be published on the provincial government website within 7 days.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Chris Garda
Environmental Protection Officer

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If you require a copy of the original permit, please contact the inspector noted on this inspection record.

It is also important to note that this inspection record does not necessarily reflect each requirement or condition of the authorization therefore compliance is noted only for the requirements or conditions listed in the inspection record.