# PESCA CHIAPAS S.A. DE C.V.

RFC: PCI101123JK8 INSURGENTES SUR #601, INT. PISO 15, OFICINA 116, COLONIA NAPOLES DELEGACION BENITO JUAREZ CIUDAD DE MEXICO



### Starting on PESCACHIAPAS S.A DE C.V./JAGUARA, VICTORIA requires onboard its vessel(s) the use of the following best

practices for FAD management, identified in ISSF Technical Report 2019-11, "Recommended Best Practices for FAD management in Tropical Tuna Purse Seine Fisheries":

#### a) Comply with flag state and RFMO reporting requirements for fisheries statistics by set type

#### We commit to:

- □ [Filling out completely and accurately the logbooks, including FAD logbook information, by set type required by CONAPESCA and submitting them by electronic reporting to the required authority and/or RFMO; or ]
- □ [Filling out completely and accurately the logbooks, including FAD logbook information, by set type required by CONAPESCA and submitting them to the required authority and/or RFMO.]

#### We commit to :

- □ [Achieving 100% observer coverage on all fishing trips through the regional observer program operated by CIAT/ APICD, or]
- [Achieving 100% observer coverage, even if not required by the tRFMO, on all fishing trips through the use of human observers or a combination of human observers and voluntary Electronic Monitoring (EM). For EM, best-practice minimum standards developed by ISSF, or those developed by the tRFMO, will be followed; or]
- □ [Achieving the observer coverage required by CIAT/APICD FROM MEXICO and studying the feasibility of increasing observer coverage through Electronic Monitoring (EM)].

We also commit to:

- [Collecting data on the number of active FADs and FAD activity (deployments, visits, sets and loss) as required by [CONAPESCA] and submitting them to the required authority and tRFMO], or]
- [Authorizing satellite data buoy provider to provide to [CONAPESCA FROM MEXICO] buoy daily position data to estimate the number of active FADs and voluntarily submitting them to the tRFMO.]

#### b) Voluntarily report additional FAD buoy data for use by RFMO science bodies

#### We commit to:

- [participate in a scientific program by CIAT/APICD by providing daily positions and echo-sounder data for every company-owned FAD, with a time-lag as needed to ensure confidentiality, or]
- [participate in a scientific program by [CIAT/APICD] by providing daily positions and echosounder data for 100% of company-owned FAD, with a time-lag as needed to ensure confidentiality, or]
- [provide daily position and echo-sounder data when required by CIAT/APICD.]

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## c) Support science-based limits on the overall number of FADs used per vessel and/or FAD sets made

We commit to :

- □ [Not having more than 150 active FADs per vessel at any time, even though CIAT allows for a higher number; or]
- □ [Abiding by the limit of active number of FADs adopted CIAT].

We commit to :

- □ [Deploying only FADs with satellite tracking buoys; and/or]
- □ [Not reactivating remotely buoys that were previously deactivated. They will only be reactivated when the buoys are back in port; and/or]
- □ [Providing information on the buoy position at least once per day while they are in the water.]

We also commit to :

- □ [Supporting a [Total][FAD] closure of [all tropical tuna fisheries][the purse seine fishery] in CIAT that is long enough to reduce fishing pressure on target stocks; or]
- □ Abiding by the [FAD] time area closure established by [CIAT].

#### d) Use only non-entangling FADs to reduce ghost fishing

We commit to []:

- □ [Deploying only FADs that are completely non-entangling (i.e., without any netting), even when is not a requirement of the tRFMO, according to the <u>ISSF Guide for Non-Entangling FADs</u>, or]
- [Deploying at least 100 % of our FADs that are completely non-entangling (i.e., without any netting), even when is not a requirement of the tRFMO, according to the ISSF Guide for Non-Entangling FADs].

We also commit to :

- [Not deploying any "high entanglement risk" FAD according to the ISSF Guide for Non-Entangling <u>FADs</u> (i.e., those using large open netting either in the raft or in the underneath part of the FADs. (> 2.5 inches or 7 cm mesh); and/or]
- □ [Removing from the water and bringing back to port all encountered "high entanglement risk " FADs according to the <u>ISSF Guide for Non-Entangling FADs</u> (i.e., those using large open netting either in the raft or in the underneath part of the FADs. (> 2.5 inches or 7 cm mesh); or]
- □ [Removing from the water and bringing back to port 100% of encountered "high entanglement risk" FADs according to the <u>ISSF Guide for Non-Entangling FADs</u> (i.e., those using large open netting either in the raft or in the underneath part of the FADs (> 2.5 inches or > 7 cm mesh).]

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#### e) Mitigate other environmental impacts due to FAD loss including through the use of biodegradable FADs and FAD recovery policies

We commit to :

- [Deploying 100% of our FADs with only biodegradable materials except for floatation components of the raft, for which the use of non-biodegradable material should be reduced as much as possible, with an aim to increase this to 100% by [2022]; or]
- □ [Studying the feasibility of using FADs with only biodegradable material in their construction except the floatation structure of the raft; and/or]
- □ [Participating in tests of locally-sourced biodegradable materials in collaboration with ISSF Guide for Non-Entangling FADs.]

We commit to :

- □ [Not deploying FADs more than deep and testing simpler structure and smaller FADs to reduce their impact; or]
- □ [Studying the feasibility of deploying simpler and smaller FADs.]

We commit to :

- □ [Participating in research to determine FAD deployment areas that have high risk of stranding, by providing historical track data to [scientific institution]; and/or]
- □ [Participate in a project with [scientific institution or NGO] to alert them of FADs that are drifting in the direction of [country; sensitive area] to remove stranded FADs].

We also commit to :

- □ [Removing from the water and bringing back to port [15 %] of active FADs used by the vessels in each of the trip; and/or]
- □ [Removing from the water and bringing back to port all encountered FADs with non-biodegradable elements (e.g., plastic containers); or]
- □ [Removing from the water and bringing back to port [100%] of encountered FADs with non- biodegradable elements (e.g., plastic containers);]

#### f) For silky sharks (the main bycatch issue in FAD sets) implement further mitigation efforts

We commit to :

- □ [Applying Best Practices for safe handling and release of sharks and rays brought onboard]; or
- □ [Practicing best safe handling and release of sharks and rays brought onboard; and/or]
- □ [Reducing the annual number of sets made on small tuna aggregations (< 5 tons)].

This policy was adopted on

<u>20 de julio del 2021</u>