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Subject: Re: FW: NC21: submission of catch/effort data for NPA, PBF and NPSWO

Good afternoon SK

Despite Fiji not having a Pacific Bluefin Tuna (PBF) fishery, we are still required to submit an MCS report in accordance with CMM 2024-02, specifically paragraphs 2 and 3.

Accordingly, please find attached Fiji's MCS report on PBF Tuna for your consideration.

We appreciate your cooperation and thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards, Moses.M

Report on CMM 2024-02

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1) Monitoring and control measures for fisheries

a. Registration of commercial fishing vessels that are authorized to fish for Pacific bluefin tuna (including the WCPFC RFV in accordance with CMM 2018-06 on WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels and Authorization to Fish)

Fiji does not have a targeted fishery for Pacific Bluefin Tun (PBFT). Any PBFT caught is by Fiji flagged vessels is incidental from longline fishing operations.

b. Registration of set nets that are authorized to fish for Pacific bluefin tuna (including registration scheme, number of registered set nets)

Fiji does not have set net targeting Pacific Bluefin tuna and there are no historical records indicating the capture of PBFT using this fishing method.

c. Allocation of catch limits by fishery within the CCMs, where such allocation exists

Fiji does not have a set catch limit for Pacific Bluefin Tuna as it is not a target species.

d. Reporting requirements for catches for fisheries (targeted, incidental, and discards)

Fiji does not have a targeted fishery for Pacific Bluefin Tuna (PBFT). Catches of this incidentally through

longline fisheries. In 2024, a total of 0 metric tons (MT) of PBFT was recorded from the longline fishery.

e. Measures to monitor catch (e.g., landing receipts, landing inspection, observer program, etc.)

Fiji monitors the catch of PBFT through log sheet data, Landing summaries, Port Inspections and Monitoring and observer reports.

f. Measures to monitor landings (including CMM 2017-02 on Minimum Standards for Port State Measures)

Fiji is a party to the PSMA and our ports are authorized to receive landings from domestic and foreignflagged fishing vessels. These ports have assigned inspectors to monitor such landings. In contrast, landings from domestic fishing fleets are monitored through the Offshore Fisheries Management Division where powers are assigned to enforcement and surveillance officer to enact the Offshore Fisheries Management Act 1012 and its regulations of 2014, with provisions consistent with the PSMA.

g. Measures to monitor domestic transactions

PBFT are not targeted and caught in Fiji EEZ.

(2) Monitoring and control measures for farming

a. Registration of farms that are authorized to farm Pacific bluefin tuna (including registration scheme, number of registered farms, number of registered 'holding pens' or 'cages')

There are no farms or individuals engaged in PBFT farming in Fiji

b. Reporting requirements for caging of fish and c. Reporting requirements for harvest of farmed fish

There are no farms or individuals engaged in PBFT farming in Fiji

 Measures to monitor farming activities (including Rules, standards, and procedures to monitor transfer and caging activities)
 There are no farms or individuals engaged in PBFT farming in Fiji