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**SYNOPSIS OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY CCMS AS A REPLY TO
TCC13 PROVISIONAL CMR**

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Purpose

1. To provide a summary of the additional information which may be relevant to the Commissions consideration of the Provisional Compliance Monitoring Report (pCMR) as recommended by TCC13.

Overview

2. TCC13 agreed to recommend to WCPFC14 the Provisional Compliance Monitoring Report for its consideration and final assessment (TCC13 Summary Report paragraph 90).
3. Paragraph 33 of Conservation and Management Measure for Compliance Monitoring Scheme (CMM 2015-07) provides CCMS with an opportunity to provide additional information or advice that clearly addresses implementation issues identified in the pCMR. The deadline for CCMS to provide the additional information or advice is up to 30 days prior to the Commission meeting (on or before 4th November 2017).
4. After TCC13, the Secretariat updated the online CMR report to include the TCC13 agreed pCMR scores and created an online interface for CCMS to include their submissions of additional information or advice. CCMS were advised of the availability of the online interface on 12th October 2017 and a quick guide was also provided in WCPFC Circular 2017/77.
5. As at 6th November 2017, based on CCMS additional information and some updates from the Secretariat and Scientific Services Provider, there are additional information relevant to the pCMR scores as agreed at TCC13 for 12 CCMS. The additional information relates to 56 individual potential issues in the pCMR and a change of pCMR score is indicated for 36 potential issues. The breakdown by section and by obligations of additional information received on or before 4th November 2017 is as shown in **Table 1**.

Table 1: Summary of additional information submitted as a reply to pCMR on or before 4th November 2017

# of CCMs to which additional information relates	12
# of obligation/issue responded to with additional information	56
# obligation/issue where a change of compliance status/score has been requested	Section i = 9 Section ii = 9 Section iii = 6 Section iv = 2 Section v = 10 Section vi = 0 Total = 36

6. **Annex 1** to this paper include a table that provides more detailed information about the relevant additional information relating to the pCMR by section and by obligation, including the number of obligations and CCMs where a review of pCMR compliance status may be needed. The last column in the table in **Annex 1** provides a count of additional obligations/issues where there is potential for further updates to be provided by flag CCMs on the status of their flag CCM investigations and where this may be sufficient for consideration to be given to change a pCMR FSI (Flag State Investigation) score. The Secretariat has identified these additional instances based on a review of the date advised by a flag CCM within their Investigation Status Reports reviewed at TCC13 or advised post-TCC13, in response to notified alleged infringements in the WCPFC online Compliance Case File system. There are a total of 15 obligations (9 related to reporting year 2016 and 5 related to reporting year 2015).
7. **Annex 2** to this paper is an updated table from SPC-OFP that provides updated information related to ROP longline observer coverage – This is an updated version of Table 4 presented in WCPFC-TCC13-2017-IP05_rev1 *Status of ROP data management*.
8. It is expected that a working group will be established during WCPFC14, to consider the pCMR recommended by TCC13, to take into account any additional information relevant to the pCMR, and to prepare a draft of the final CMR for the Commissions consideration.

Recommendation

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| 9. WCPFC14 is invited to note the paper. |
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Annex 1: Additional information relevant to the Commissions reviews of compliance status in pCMR by section and by obligations submitted as a reply to pCMR on or before 4th November 2017

CMR Section	CMM	para	# of obligations where a change of compliance status is indicated	Count (#) of additional instances where flag CCM updates in WCPFC compliance case file system could be sufficient for a change of compliance status from the pCMR FSI (<i>Flag State Investigation</i>) score
i) catch and effort limits for target species; (total # of obligations where a change of compliance status is requested = 9 obligations for 5 CCMs) <i>2 CCMs provided additional info for 6 obligations but did not request change of status</i>	2010-07	09	2	1:=RY2016 1:=RY2015
	2011-03	01	2	4:=RY2016
	2012-04	01	3	2:=RY2016
	2013-08	01	-	1:=RY2015
	2015-01	25	1	
	2015-02		01	1
ii) catch and effort reporting for target species (total # of obligations where a change of compliance status is requested = 9 obligations for 5 CCMs)	2009-06	11	3	
	2009-06	35 a(iii)	2	
	2009-06	35 a(iv)	1	
	2010-02	02	1	
	2015-01	24 Att C 03	1	
iii) reporting including with respect to implementation of measures for non-target species (total # of obligations a change of compliance status is requested = 7 obligations for 4 CCMs) <i>2 CCM provided additional info for 2 obligations but did not request change of status</i>	2011-03	05	2	
	2012-04	06	2	
	2012-07	09	1	
	Art 23		2(b)	1
iv) spatial and temporal closures, and restrictions on the use of fish aggregating devices; (total # of obligations where obligations a change of compliance status is requested = 2 obligations for 2 CCMs)			14	2:=RY2015
	2015-01		16	1:=RY2016
v) authorizations to fish and the Record of Fishing Vessels, observer, VMS coverage, transshipment and the High Seas Boarding and Inspection Scheme; (total # of obligations where obligations a change of compliance status is requested = 9 obligations for 6 CCMs) <i>4 CCM provided additional info for 8 obligations but did not request change of status</i>	2007-01	14 (vii)	2	1:=RY2016 1:=RY2015
		Att K Ann C 06	2	
	2014-03	02	5	
	2015-01	33	1	

Annex 2

- WCPFC-TCC13-2017-IP05_rev1 Status of ROP data management paper, including tables on ROP longline coverage (SC13-ST-IP-02_rev2)
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Table 4. 2016 Longline observer coverage by CCM – based on reporting from CCMs and data submissions

The fleet breakdown, metric and reporting by CCMs is based on WCPFC11 Summary Report para 483-486 and Attachment L (Anon., 2010a). Flag CCM reporting is from Annual Report Part 1.

CCM Fleet	Fishery	Metric selected for Coverage	OBSERVER COVERAGE						See NOTES
			Total estimated effort	As reported by flag state		Total estimated effort	As per data submission		
				Observer	%		Observer	%	
AUSTRALIA	Domestic	No. of Hooks	7,829,999	680,445	8.7%	7,829,999	609,147	7.8%	2, 17
CHINA	Ice/Fresh	No. of Trips	1,952	50	2.6%	1,952	53	2.7%	3, 10, 11
	Frozen	No. of Trips							
COOK ISLANDS	Pacific Islands	Days at Sea	2,143	165	7.7%	2,143	230	10.7%	8, 9
EUROPEAN UNION	Distant-water	No. of Trips	11	2	18.2%	11	2	18.2%	4, 10, 19
FSM	Pacific Islands	No. of Trips	240	0	0.0%	240	0	0.0%	7
FIJI	Pacific Islands	No. of Trips	665	153	23.0%	623	191	30.7%	8, 9, 22
FRENCH POLYNESIA	Pacific Islands	Fishing Days	9,500	323	3.4%	9,500	323	3.4%	2, 9
INDONESIA	Domestic	No. of Trips	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	5
	Distant-water	No. of Trips	0	-	-	0	-	-	1, 5, 10
JAPAN	Ice/Fresh, short-trip	Days fished	27,284	874	3.2%	27,284	0	0.0%	10, 18
	Frozen, long-trip	Days fished	10,933	690	6.3%	10,933	0	0.0%	10, 18
KIRIBATI	Pacific Islands	No. of Trips	8	1	12.5%	8	1	12.5%	8, 9
MARSHALL ISLANDS	Pacific Islands	No. of Trips	0	-	-	0	-	-	1, 2, 9, 21
NEW CALEDONIA	Pacific Islands	No. of Hooks	4,715,600	281,370	6.0%	4,715,600	306,462	6.5%	2
NEW ZEALAND	Domestic	No. of Hooks	2,355,738	332,446	14.1%	2,355,738	332,446	14.1%	2
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	Pacific Islands	No. of Trips	76	0	0.0%	76	0	0.0%	2, 9
PHILIPPINES	Distant-water	No. of Trips	-	-	-	-	-	-	1, 16
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	Distant-water	Days at Sea	21,306	1,460	6.9%	21,306	1,099	5.2%	10, 20
SAMOA	Pacific Islands	No. of Trips	188	0	0.0%	188	0	0.0%	15, 2, 9
SOLOMON ISLANDS	Pacific Islands	No. of Trips	-	-	-	-	-	-	1, 2
TONGA	Pacific Islands	No. of Trips	64	6	13.5%	64	6	9.4%	2
TUVALU	Pacific Islands	No. of Trips	12	2	16.7%	12	2	16.7%	8, 12
CHINESE TAIPEI	Small longline – STLL	Days at Sea	103,269	1,912	1.9%	103,269	3,982	3.9%	10, 14
	Distant-water – DWLL	Days at Sea	21,508	1,755	8.2%	21,508	1,755	8.2%	10
USA	HAWAII/California-based	No. of Trips	1,032	233	22.6%	1,032	233	22.6%	6
	AMERICAN SAMOA	No. of Trips	5	0	0.0%	5	0	0.0%	6
VANUATU	Pacific Island-based, short trip	Days at Sea	10,442	207	2.0%	10,442	207	2.0%	9, 10, 11
	Distant-water								

NOTES

1. No activity in 2016 by this CCMs longline fleet
2. Domestic fleet with no fishing on the high seas or other EEZs and therefore no ROP trips. Observer coverage of the domestic fleet is provided in some cases nonetheless.
3. China has yet to advise on which of the four metrics they choose to measure ROP longline observer coverage. At this stage, the number of trips has been used in these tables.
4. In a communication of 28 February 2015, EU advised that they will use “NUMBER OF TRIPS” for measuring and reporting observer coverage on its flagged LL vessels for years from 2014. For 2013, they had previously advised that “*We are currently exploring options for improving observer coverage on EU LLs. Recent amendments in the ES legislation should contribute also in improving these aspects. At TCC10, EU advised that legislation has been adopted.*”
5. No information provided by the CCM for this fleet.
6. The information provided for the US fleets EXCLUDES activities in their respective EEZs, that is, the coverage rates provided are for their ROP trips only and estimated effort is for activities outside their EEZ. For 2016, the US reports that “*...none of the 5 American Samoa trips exclusive of the U.S. EEZ in 2016 had observer coverage*”.
7. The information provided for the FSM fleets EXCLUDES activities of their domestic fleet, that is, the coverage is for their ROP trips only.
8. Most (if not all) vessel trips (and therefore most days-at-sea) would be non-ROP trips since mostly restricted to waters of national jurisdiction. . Observer coverage is for all activities (ROP and non-ROP) of the domestic fleet.
9. Observer trip value represents the trip data provided to SPC in the absence of advice from this CCM on total number of observer trips conducted. This value may not represent the overall trips undertaken (i.e. it may be an under-estimate).
10. All vessel trips (and therefore days-at-sea) would be defined as ROP trips. “Distant-water” vessels have very long trips and since some fleets tranship at sea, the unit of coverage might more suitably be “days-at-sea” for these situations.
11. Covers both ‘fleets’ as coverage cannot be split by fleet at this stage.
12. Tuvalu advised their choice of metric for 2016 was “Number of Trips”.
13. Observer coverage information (as nominated from flag state) was taken from the CCMs WCPFC Annual Report Part 1 prepared for SC12 (as per WCPFC11 Summary Report paragraphs 483 – 486).
14. Includes observer trips conducted by Coastal state observer programmes on Chinese Taipei-flagged STLL vessels.
15. This CCM did not have flagged longline vessels on the Record of Fishing Vessels in 2016.
16. No longline vessels from Philippines active in 2016.
17. Australia commenced producing observer data from their E-Monitoring system from 2015.
18. Japan provided trip-level details for 2016 observer activities including trip monitoring information. However, data at the set level have yet to be provided.
19. Observer data provided does not satisfy the ROP minimum data field standards.
20. There is evidence that additional observer trips have been conducted by coastal states, but the data have yet to be provided.
21. CCM indicated that they had charter vessels for 2016 but which are not considered under ROP trip definition.
22. Fiji commenced producing observer data from their E-Monitoring system in 2016, but these trips have yet to be included in the ROP longline coverage.
