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By email only: Stefan.leslie@fish.govt.nz

Attention: Stefan Leslie

Dear Stefan

Review of Sustainability Measures for the SBW6B (Southern Blue Whiting) for the 2007/08 Fishing Year

Thank you for your letter of the 21 December 2007 inviting participation in the review of sustainability measures for the SBW6B stock 2007/08 fishing year.

Sanford support option 2 of the Initial Position Paper (IPP) to increase the total allowable commercial catch (TACC) for SBW6B from 3,500 tonnes to 9,800 tonnes. Sanford agree with the Ministry of Fisheries, and the middle depths fisheries assessment working group that recent findings from acoustic surveys support this TACC increase.

Should you require any further information please contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely
SANFORD LIMITED

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