



# Certificate of Conformity

## MSC Fisheries

**MRAG Americas certifies that**

Gulf of Alaska Pacific Cod Longline Fishery  
Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation  
P.O. Box 2223  
Wrangell, AK 99929-2223 USA

**meets the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fishing, and that the fishery is well managed and sustainable.**

**CERTIFICATE NO:**

MRAG-F-0015

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**EXPIRY DATE:**

April 25, 2015

**Unit of Certification:**

Species: *Gadus macrocephalus*

Geographical area: Gulf of Alaska  
Area 67

Harvest method: Longline

Stock: Pacific Cod - Gulf of Alaska

**Certificate Issued by:**

MRAG Americas Certification Committee

**Signature**

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**Management System:** Pacific cod are managed under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act, MSA), with management recommendations from the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council (NPFMC) and implementation through the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Under the MSA, the NMFS must manage fisheries to maintain optimum yield (OY) by rebuilding overfished fisheries and preventing overfishing. Alaska manages a small portion of the Pacific cod fishery in state waters.

**Chain of Custody:** Most Gulf of Alaska Pacific cod are landed on shore unprocessed, with a portion being processed and frozen at-sea as headed and gutted, frozen fillet blocks, and individually frozen fillets. Chain of custody for unprocessed on-shore landings starts upon delivery to a processing facility. Chain of custody for at-sea processors starts on board at delivery to the factory.

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The following MSC certified species from this fishery may be marketed as certified under a catch sharing agreement.

Yellowfin sole	<i>Pleuronectes asper</i> also known as <i>Limanda aspera</i>
Flathead sole	<i>Hippoglossoides elassodon</i>
Arrowtooth flounder	<i>Atheresthes stomias</i>
Alaska plaice	<i>Pleuronectes quadrituberculatus</i>
Northern rock sole	<i>Lepidopsetta polyxystra</i>
Kamchatka flounder	<i>Atheresthes evermanni</i>
Alaska pollock	<i>Theragra chalcogramma</i> or <i>Gadus chalcogrammus</i>

**Gulf of Alaska Pacific Cod Client Companies Authorized to Sell MSC Certified Pacific Cod:**

[http://www.msc.org/track-a-fishery/fisheries-in-the-program/certified/pacific/gulf-of-alaska-pacific-cod/reassessment-downloads-folder/20140515\\_Client\\_List\\_COD50.pdf](http://www.msc.org/track-a-fishery/fisheries-in-the-program/certified/pacific/gulf-of-alaska-pacific-cod/reassessment-downloads-folder/20140515_Client_List_COD50.pdf)

