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Dear Stakeholder

### Review of Deepwater Sustainability Measures for 1 April 2014

The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) is seeking feedback from tangata whenua and stakeholders on proposals to review the sustainability measures for southern blue whiting in the Campbell Island quota management area (SBW 6I).

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a summary of the proposals for SBW 6I, which have now been released for public consultation. The proposals are outlined in detail in the consultation documents that are available on the MPI website at <http://www.fish.govt.nz/en-nz/Consultations/default.htm>

This review of sustainability measures has been informed by the results of the 2014 stock assessment for SBW 6I. The stock assessment provides a current stock status of 58%B<sub>0</sub>, well above the current management target for southern blue whiting of 40%B<sub>0</sub>.

In response, MPI has proposed three options in the SBW 6I consultation document; to retain the TAC at the status quo of 30 000 tonnes, or to increase the TAC either by 5 000 tonnes to 35 000 tonnes under Option 2, or by 10 000 tonnes under Option 3.

### ***Making a Submission***

Please ensure that MPI receives your submission no later than 5pm on Friday 28 February 2014. Written submissions should be sent to:

Email: [FMSubmissions@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:FMSubmissions@mpi.govt.nz)

Post: Deepwater Submissions  
Fisheries Management – Deepwater Fisheries  
Ministry for Primary Industries  
PO Box 2526  
Wellington 6140

If you have any difficulties accessing the documents, or if you would like hard copies of the papers, please phone 04 894 0076 or email [FMSubmissions@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:FMSubmissions@mpi.govt.nz)

Nāku noa, nā

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