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ASC Audit Report

Tilapia ___ Pangasius Initial Surveillance ___ Recertification ___

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1. METHODOLOGY

Control Union Peru (CUP), a member of the Control Union World Group is an international inspection and certification body and is accredited by ASI on behalf of the Aquaculture Stewardship Council (MSC) to carry out inspection and certification according to the ASC farm certification standards.

CUP performs inspection and certification in the fields of FSC, MSC CoC, organic production, input, Sustainable Textile production, GLOBALGAP, HACCP, BRC, GMP and GTP.

Audits and certification is carried out in conformity with the procedures as laid down in the Procedure Manual and the program manual for the auditor and certifier. During the audit, the qualified CU auditors use standardized audit forms to record their findings.

Based on the information provided by the auditor and by the client, the certifier reviews and evaluates all information provided and certify the products when all conditions of the regulations are fulfilled. The result of the evaluation is documented in Chapter 2.3. Audit work by the auditor and certification by the certifier are clearly separated activities.

2. REPORT

This certification report is made in accordance with the ASC Certification and Accreditation requirements, Version 1.0, Annex C.

2.1 Background of the assessed company:

The farm was established from 2007 and located at Hamlet Long Hung 2, My Thoi ward, Long Xuyen city, An Giang province, Vietnam. The total area of farm is 30 ha. The receiving water body of the farm is Cai Sao channel. The species farmed is mainly *Pangasius tra*

From 2010, the farm is certified against GLOBALGAP standard and this certification has been kept until now (2012)

The estimated yearly production is 6,000 MT

2.2 Summary

Scope:

Standard: ASC Pangasius standard V 1.0 April 2012

Specie: Pangasius

Type of certification: Single site certification

Summary of the report

Finishing the audit, the farm mostly complies with the standard's requirement with principles:

PRINCIPLE I: LOCATE AND OPERATE FARMS WITHIN ESTABLISHED LOCAL AND NATIONAL LEGAL FRAMWORKS

Local and national regulation: the farm has operated according to Vietnam laws such as land ownership, tax, water discharge regulation of Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD)

PRINCIPLE II: FARMS MUS BE LOCATED, DESIGNED, CONSTRUCTED AND MANAGED TO ADVVOID (OR, AT LEAST, MINIMIZE) THEIR NATIVE IMPACTS ON OTHER USERS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

The farm is located in the land sourced from Agriculture with the expansion showing that all earth has not been discharged into common water bodies and no negative impacts on



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endangered species. Although there is no water limitation in Vietnam, water abstraction of the farm is in the limitation of the ASC pangasius standard which is 5,000m³/ metric ton of fish produced.

PRINCIPLE III: MINIMIZE THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF PANGASIOUS FARMING ON WATER AND LAND RESOURCES

The parameters such as:

- Amount of total phosphorus (TP), total nitrogen (TN) discharged per metric ton of fish produced
- Diurnal Dissolved Oxygen (DDO) of receiving waters
- Maximum average percentage change of TP, TN between inlet and outlet
- Dissolved Oxygen (DO) concentration in water discharged

are in the allowable range of the standard. The farm prepared the sludge ponds to keep and treat sludge before using them it as fertilizer on the purpose of no disposing them into receiving water or natural ecosystems. The farm also designed the septic toilets for all workers and septic tanks to keep dead fish.

PRINCIPLE IV: CONSERVE SPECIES DIVERSITY AND WILD POPULATIONS

Fish farmed is Pangasius which is native in the river basin where the farm is located and no wild-caught.

PRINCIPLE V. USE FEED AND FEEDING PRACTICES THAT ENSURE THAT FEED INPUTS ARE SUSTAINABLE AND MINIMIZED

Feed fed to fish is the commercial feed. It means no use hand-made feed. The main ingredient is generated from no-pangasius fish processing by-products such as trimmings, viscera, heads and frames. These fish are not in IUCN and CITES list.

PRINCIPLE VI. MINIMIZE ECOSYSTEM AND HUMAN HEALTH IMPACTS, WHILE MAXIMIZING FISH HEALTH, WELFARE AND ENSURING FOOD SAFETY

In the first audit, the mortality of the farm is in range of the standard. The farm has applied antibiotic in the approved list of MARD and under a qualified Aquatic animal health specialist (AAH specialist).

PRINCIPLE VII. BE SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE

There is no child labor, forced labor as well as discrimination. Workers can have freedom of association and right to collective bargaining, freely leave the farm when finishing their work.

For detailed information about compliance, please see the audit checklist attached to this report.

Summary of findings:

Completing the audit, the farm has 8 Minor Non-conformities that need to be settled for the next surveillance audit in august 2013. (see more details about findings in the audit result)

2.3 Decision

After receiving actions plans for minor non-conformities, ASC certification is granted for NTACO Corporation.

2.4 Audit background

Author(s): Le Tran Truong Thuy

Audit dates: 01-03/08/2012

Report finished at: 08/08/2012

Draft Report reviewed at: 16-08-12



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Final Report reviewed at: 13-09-12

Persons involved in the audit:

- Mr. Nguyen Tuan Anh – the owner of the farm
- Mr. Nguyen Thanh Long – the manager of the farm
- Mr. Antoine Bui – The representative of Binca seafood
- Employees of the farm
- Community interviews: Mr. Nguyen Hoang Toan, Ms. Le Thi Ca, Ms. Le Thi Hanh and Mrs. Phan Thi Truoc (neighbours around the NTACO farm)

Stakeholder participation: No comments from stakeholders received before the audit.

Previous Audits (if applicable): N/A

Other activities:

ASC audit announcement date: 06-06-12

Stakeholders consultation opened: 06-06-12

Pre-audit checklist information desk review: 21/06/2012

2.5 Scope

Standard: ASC Pangasius standard V 1.0 April 2012

Specie: Pangasius

Type of certification: Single site certification

Unit of Certification

<i>Production Unit name</i>	<i>Production Unit number (assigned by CUSI)</i>	<i>Address and geographical positions</i>	<i>Receiving water body</i>
FISH "n" JOY - NTACO FARM	PRD 020973	* Hamlet Long Hung 2, My Thoi ward, Long Xuyen city, An Giang province, VN * Geographical positions: + E:105.435 N:10.315; + E:105.437 N:10.313; + E:105.438 N:10.319; + E:105.440 N:10.317	<i>Cai sao channel</i>

Receiving water body:

The Cai Sao channel is a natural water body, see attached scheme map of the farm.

2.6 Description of the start of the Chain of Custody.

Products included in the scope of certification detailed in this report may enter further certified chains of custody and are eligible to apply to carry the ASC label

Considerations for the decision:

- Tracking, tracing and segregation systems within the aquaculture operation: The farm has all the information related to the origin of fish as grow out pond and fingerling supplier. Ntaco Farm Fish n`Joy is the only production unit owned by Ntaco Corporation and all product harvested is processed at Ntaco processing unit



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(same legal entity). The information related to the origin of the fish is sent to the processing plant with the transportation documents.

- Use of transshipment: No transshipment. The farm use well-boat in order to transport the fish to the processing unit directly from the farm.
- Eligible operators and point(s) of landing: There is only one point of harvesting at this farm and a unique point of landing at the Ntaco processing unit.
- The opportunity of substitution of certified with non-certified product within the unit of certification: There is no chance of substitution and only certified products are produced by the legal entity (NTACO farm)
- Point from which Chain of Custody certification is required: Chain of custody certification is required after harvest when fish is received at processing plant also owned by NTACO Corporation.

2.7 Evaluation results

See audit checklist attached to this report.

2.8 Non-conformity report(s)

Please see the audit result and NCs attached to this report

Name and signature of authorized representative:

Position:

Date: