

## Dolphin-Safe Tuna Corporate Policy



With a view to eliminating the injury and death of dolphins and whales as a result of either encirclement by purse-seine nets or of the use of drift/gillnets, Mitsubishi International Corporation has adopted the following corporate policy.

Mitsubishi International Corporation will exclusively purchase and distribute tuna only from a packer/supplier that has a dolphin-safe corporate policy confirmed by Earth Island Institute (EII).

The packer must provide documentary proof that all tuna sold to Mitsubishi International Corporation were not harvested by encirclement of dolphins or whales in purse-seine nets in any area of the world's oceans, or by the use of drift/gillnets of any size. This documentary proof must list name and registration number of catching vessel, name of catching vessel captain, flag of fishing vessel, area and method of catch, name of carrier vessel, area where fish was offloaded or transshipped by the catching vessel, and date of fishing trip. This information must be submitted with all shipments of tuna accepted by Mitsubishi International Corporation.

For all tuna sold to Mitsubishi International Corporation that were harvested in the Eastern Tropical Pacific (ETP), Mitsubishi International Corporation will receive from supplier/canner a statement executed by either an Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission or National Marine Fisheries Service observer which accompanies each lot of tuna certifying that no sets were made on marine mammals during the fishing vessel's entire trip.

Mitsubishi International Corporation will stipulate in all its contracts with suppliers that all tuna purchased by Mitsubishi International Corporation must be accompanied by dolphin-safe certificates which list the name, registration number and flag fishing vessel, area and method of catch, date of fishing trip, date and location where tuna was offloaded from catching vessel (if transshipped from catching vessel on the high seas, it must note longitude and latitude of area of transshipment), and name of carrier vessel. This information must also be submitted by the packer/supplier to EII on a monthly basis and cover all shipments of tuna accepted by the packing company.

Mitsubishi International Corporation will also require representation from its packers/suppliers that no tuna caught by setting nets on marine mammals in any area of the world's oceans, and/or no tuna caught by the use of drift/gillnets of any size, is purchased, processed, stored or sold by the packer. Mitsubishi International Corporation will not purchase, store or sell tuna caught by setting nets on marine mammals.

Mitsubishi International Corporation will stipulate as a condition in all its contracts with packers that any shipment found to be in violation of its dolphin-safe standards by EII or Mitsubishi International Corporation inspectors be rejected with assessment of cost and damages against the packer and that a repeat of such shipment will result in termination of business.

Mitsubishi International Corporation will issue a list of its current tuna suppliers to EII, and will notify EII if Mitsubishi International Corporation is seeking to procure product from a packer/supplier not on the Mitsubishi International Corporation current supplier list.

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