

### TO ALL COMMISSION MEMBERS, COOPERATING NON-MEMBERS, PARTICIPATING TERRITORIES AND OBSERVERS

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# Subject: Announcing Availability of Draft Compliance Monitoring Report for each CCM and Related Updates

Dear All,

I am pleased to provide CCMs with updates on the online draft Compliance Monitoring Report (dCMR) and related online tools.

# **1.** Availability of 2024 draft CMR online facility (covering 2023 activities) and dCMR issues

Each CCM may review and submit responses to its own draft CMR through the WCPFC intranet site accessed using the usual CCM-specific CMR login (cmr.xx). Information on accessing the dCMR is available through the WCPFC website <u>Support</u>. As a reminder, the new ARPt2 application cannot be used to access the legacy dCMR.

The deadline for submitting the required additional information in response to the review of the Annual Report Part 2 is **Wednesday, August 28, 2024**. Guidance for responding to the draft CMR Potential Issues using the online facility can be found <u>here</u>.

A supporting file compiling relevant CCMs responses to existing Capacity Development Plans, as of 31 July 2024, has been posted for CCMs to review on the secure page of the WCPFC website (at this reporting link: <a href="https://www.wcpfc.int/cmr-2024">https://www.wcpfc.int/cmr-2024</a>) CCMs may, as appropriate, submit additional details in their responses to potential issues that report on an existing Capacity Development Plan (CMM 2021-03 para 14-21). The Capacity Development Plan template is available online (Implementation of Article 30 of the Convention | WCPFC) for those that wish to raise a new Plan.

### Summary of Issues in the dCMR

There are 392 issues for CCMs to address:

- 61% for IMPLEMENTATION obligations
- 30% for REPORT obligations
- 9% for QUANTITATIVE LIMITS

As was the case last year, many of the issues arose due to incomplete responses from CCMs to all elements of the Audit Point. Consequently, it should be possible for CCMs to resolve many of these issues in advance of the preparation of the final dCMR. This would assist in streamlining TCC20's review of the dCMR.

## **2.** Trial streamlining approach to support tracking progress by CCMs to resolve their implementation gaps from previous year/s

To support TCC20's trial streamlining efforts, the Secretariat has prepared a supporting file compiling relevant CCMs responses in ARPt2 for the eight selected implementation obligations as of 31 July 2024 (at this reporting link: <a href="https://www.wcpfc.int/cmr-2024">https://www.wcpfc.int/cmr-2024</a>). The approach streamlines CCM reporting by tracking progress for CCMs that had implementation gaps to resolve from previous year/s; other CCMs are not required to provide responses for those obligations. Relevant CCMs may, as appropriate, submit additional details of their responses to previous year implementation-related issues for the eight obligations to be reviewed by TCC20 in this year's trial.

### 3. Other Compliance Monitoring Report-related updates

#### Paper to support the aggregated tables review process

An enhanced presentation of aggregated tables is being developed and an update will be provided in the coming weeks.

### Transhipment and VMS Reporting

Supporting documentation for 2023 transhipment reporting has been emailed to flag CCMs and is available on their CCM <u>portal</u>. Similar documentation for 2023 VMS reporting gaps will also be posted to CCM portals. CCMs that are working with the Secretariat to resolve gaps should regularly check their portal for updates.

### Documentation from 2024 Draft Compliance Monitoring Report (dCMR)

CCMs and their authorized users can access their 2024 dCMR documentation on the WCPFC intranet or the secure side of the WCPFC website. The Secretariat will also

post any supplementary responses from CCMs to their dCMR potential issues on the secure page of the WCPFC website (at this reporting link: <u>https://www.wcpfc.int/cmr-2024</u>).

The Secretariat strongly encourages CCMs to reach out to the Deputy Compliance Manager, Eidre Sharp at <u>eidre.sharp@wcpfc.int</u>, for any assistance needed with accessing information or addressing dCMR issues. For any clarifications needed to provide additional information and fully address the Audit Point, please reach out to Eidre.

I wish to thank all CCMs for their contribution and support to the Secretariat in progressing the CMR to this stage, which is always highly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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