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## **ADVISORY –PROPOSED ASSESSMENT TEAM**

### Oregon Pink Shrimp Commercial Fisheries Full MSC Assessment

TAVEL Certification Inc proposes that the full assessment team for the Oregon Pink Shrimp Commercial Fishery will consist of the following individuals. TAVEL Certification is seeking stakeholder feedback on the proposed team makeup. Curriculum vitae for these individuals are available for review. Depending upon responses, the proposed team will be finalized by October 15.

TAVEL Certification also proposes an alternate assessor in the position of either a Principle 2 or 3 should the initial proposed individuals not be available to complete the assessment.

#### **Principle 1 – Stock Health**

**Mr. Don Parsons, M.Sc.** – Retiring shrimp population biologist from Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Newfoundland Region. Mr. Parsons has been the Principle Scientific Investigator for the biology, ecology and population dynamics of northern shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*) and fisheries research in the Newfoundland and Labrador Region since 1978. He has represented Canada at several international fora on pandalus species. He has published extensively on the biology and population dynamics of northern shrimp.

#### **Principle 2 – Ecosystem Impacts**

**Dr. Donald Gunderson** - Donald Gunderson is a Professor in the School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences at the University of Washington. He joined the School of Fisheries in 1978, after working as a research fisheries biologist with the Washington State Department of Fisheries and then the National Marine Fisheries Service. Don's research interests are in population dynamics and recruitment of finfishes, and their utilization of estuaries as nurseries. He received his Ph.D. in Fisheries from the University of Washington in 1975. His profile may be seen at <http://www.fish.washington.edu/people/gunderson/>.

#### **Principle 3 – Management Systems**

**Dr. James Wilen** – Jim Wilen is a Professor at the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at the University of California Davis campus. His primary areas of interest and research are natural resource economics and environmental economics. He was named a Distinguished Fellow of the American Agricultural Economics Association in 2001. He has written and presented on various issues associated with West Coast fisheries policy. Further information may be seen at [http://www.agecon.ucdavis.edu/aredepart/faculty\\_info.php?id=36](http://www.agecon.ucdavis.edu/aredepart/faculty_info.php?id=36).

**Principle 2 or 3 Alternate**

**Mark Pedersen, M.Sc.** - Mark Pedersen is a Senior Marine Scientist and President of Margenex International, founded in 1992. Mr. Pedersen has extensive experience in marine and aquatic environmental issues; biology and habitats of economically important marine fishes, shellfish, halibut, and salmon species; fishery management policy and regulations; seafood business and statistics for Pacific Northwest fisheries; Alaska offshore fisheries and Pacific Fishery Management Council issues; and calculation of lost fishing revenues and potential fisherman earnings due to mishaps. He has directed, managed, and/or participated in numerous projects involving fish migrations, resource stock assessments, fishery characterization, marine habitat impact assessment, enhancement, and mitigation. His work also involves assessment of environmental impacts, the Endangered Species Act, and planning and design of natural resource related projects. Mr. Pedersen worked with the Washington Department of Fisheries and Wildlife from 1973 to 1991, his last position there was as Deputy Assistant Director, Marine Fish and Shellfish Branch.

All feedback on the proposed team can be sent to Steve Devitt of TAVEL Certification by October 15, 2005. All inquires about the certification process and participation as a stakeholder may be sent to TAVEL Certification Inc at the following contacts:

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