OMB Control No. 0648-0387

Expires: June 30, 2018

**VESSEL PERMIT APPLICATION - 2015**

**$200.00 Fee**

**Species Sought: Yellowfin and Other Tuna and Tuna-like Species**

The collection of information is mandated by the Marine Mammal Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 1371) and by implementing regulations contained at 50 CFR §216.24(b)(1). The information supplied on this form will be used by the National Marine Fisheries Service to authorize the incidental take and to alert vessel owners of applicable rules and regulations regarding the permit for the taking of marine mammals incidental to commercial purse seine fishing for yellowfin tuna in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean. The name of the vessel and owner, official number, tonnage, carrying capacity and business address supplied on this form may be released under the Freedom of Information Act. All other information supplied on this form are considered proprietary and therefore subject to data confidentiality restriction of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Administrative Order 216-100.

**1. VESSEL INFORMATION**

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| a. NAME OF VESSEL: | b. OFFICIAL NUMBER: | c. TONNAGE: |

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| d. CARRYING CAPACITY:  (short or metric tons) | e. MAXIMUM VESSEL SPEED:  (knots) |
| f. FEDERAL, STATE, AND COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSES:  (include type, identification numbers, and expiration dates) | |
| g. TYPES OF PROCESSING EQUIPMENT: | |

**2. OWNER INFORMATION**

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| I hereby certify that the above-named vessel, bearing the official number indicated, is owned as follows. (State the nature of ownership, e.g., corporation, partnership, joint venture, etc., after the owner's name.):  OWNER'S NAME:  BUSINESS ADDRESS:  TELEPHONE:  FAX: |

**3. VESSEL PERMIT HOLDER INFORMATION**

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| THE VESSEL PERMIT WILL BE ISSUED TO THE OWNER IDENTIFIED IN BLOCK 2. PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IF THE PERMIT IS TO BE ISSUED TO THE MANAGING OWNER INSTEAD OF THE OWNER:  MANAGING OWNER'S NAME  BUSINESS ADDRESS:  TELEPHONE:  FAX: |

**4. OPERATOR INFORMATION**

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| NAME OF PERMITTED OPERATOR: |

**5. MARINE MAMMAL SAFETY INFORMATION**

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| Does the above-named vessel intend to make intentional purse seine sets on marine mammals to capture tuna? | YES | NO |

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| IF YES, IS THE VESSEL EQUIPPED WITH THE FOLLOWING DOLPHIN SAFETY GEAR? |

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| Dolphin Safety Panel | YES | NO |
| Dolphin Safety Panel Markers | YES | NO |
| Dolphin Safety Panel Hand Holds are securely fastened | YES | NO |
| Dolphin Safety Panel Corkline Hangings are securely fastened | YES | NO |
| An operational Dolphin Safety Light capable of producing 140,000 lumens | YES | NO |
| Minimum of 3 speedboats equipped with towing bridles or towing posts | YES | NO |
| At least two Operational Facemasks, Snorkels, or Viewboxes | YES | NO |
| Operational Raft | YES | NO |

**6. VESSEL CONTACT PERSON**

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| THE FOLLOWING PERSON HAS THE AUTHORITY TO DEAL WITH NMFS ON BEHALF OF THE VESSEL: | |
| a. NAME:  BUSINESS ADDRESS:  TELEPHONE:  FAX: | b. RELATIONSHIP TO VESSEL OWNER  OR MANAGING OWNER (specify): |

**7. PERSON COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION**

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| a. NAME: | b. RELATIONSHIP TO VESSEL OWNER OR  MANAGING OWNER: |

I agree to release to the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) all records made by Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission observers during fishing trips aboard the vessel under this permit and furnish the international observer program with all release forms required to authorize the observer data to be provided to NMFS. Under penalty of perjury, I declare that the information in this application is true and complete.

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SIGNATURE OF THE PERSON COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION DATE

**Upon completion, submit with $200.00 fee in check payable to: National Marine Fisheries Service. Send to: National Marine Fisheries Service, Attn: Permits, 501 West Ocean, Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach CA 90802-4213**

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