

**Aquaculture Stewardship Council and Marine Stewardship Council**

**ASC-MSC Seaweed (Algae) Variation Request Template**

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**Scheme documents:**

ASC-MSC Seaweed (Algae) Standard

ASC-MSC Seaweed (Algae) Certification and Accreditation Requirements

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**CAB NAME AND LOGO**

## Variation Request Template

<b>Date submitted to ASC- MSC</b>	31/01/2023
<b>Name of CAB</b>	DNV
<b>Production unit Name/CoC Certificate Number</b>	Gijang Sustainable Seaweed Network Documents
<b>Name of Lead Auditor/Programme</b>	lead auditor Roy Prasad Puspendra scheme manager Francesca Vescovi
<b>1. Program requirement/s for which variation is requested</b>	<i>17.25 Extension of certificate validity</i>
<b>2. Proposed variation</b>	<i>the original cycle is 06/11/2019 - 05/11/2022. the certificate has been extended of 3 months with a current expiry date on 05/02/2023. the audit has been developed on 26-28.12.2022. DNV proposes to apply addiitonal 3 months to allow the management of publication of PDCR, stakeholder comment; FPR, certificate issuance.</i>
<b>3. Rationale/Justification</b>	<i>the audit has been planned within the extetended time due to lack of auditors qualified for this standard in the relevant area. The audit has been done before that the certificate expired. The extension is asked to allow management of publicaton of report and prevent that customer stays with an expired certificate</i>
<b>4. Implications for assessment (required for production unit assessment variations only)</b>	<i>none</i>
<b>5. Have the stakeholders of this fishery assessment been informed of this request? (required for fisheries assessment variations only)</b>	not applicable
<b>6. Further comments</b>	<i>Please include any further relevant information.</i>

## ASC-MSC response

<b>Status</b>	closed
<b>Decision</b>	Accept
<b>Date of decision</b>	14th January 2023
<b>Rationale for decision</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• lack of competent auditors</li></ul>
<b>Conditions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The extended deadline is 5 May 2023</li><li>• When requested by ASC/MSC, the CAB can confirm that it is not aware at this time of any factor (related to either fishery status, or performance against conditions) that could result in the fishery no longer being in compliance with the MSC Fisheries Standard.</li><li>• On receipt of this variation response, an updated certificate is issued covering the extension.</li><li>• The new certificate shall maintain the original certification cycle meaning that the new expiry date shall be nov 2025.</li></ul>