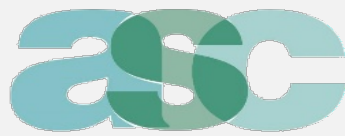


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Variation Request Template

Date submitted to ASC-	<i>6/3/2022</i>
Name of CAB	<i>DNV Business Assurance Italy S.r.l.</i>
Production unit Name/CoC Certificate Number	<i>Wando Eco-friendly Seafood Cooperative (WESC) / BII.DNVGL.002</i>
Name of Lead Auditor/Programme Manager	<i>Prasad Roy, Puspendra</i>
1. Program requirement/s for which variation is requested	<i>17.10 Site Visit - Stakeholder consultation and information collection 17.10.1 The team shall carry out the site visit as announced. 17.23.1 The CAB shall carry out a surveillance audit, which includes a site visit, to monitor the certificate holder's continued conformity with the Standard at least annually from the date of certificate issuance.</i>
2. Proposed variation	<i>The 1st surveillance audit has been announced and the site visit is planed on 16~19 June 2022. DNV BA Korea does not have a local auditor, so Prasad Roy, Puspendra who comes from India will conduct the 1st surveillance audit. He has been informd that VISA processing is delayed and he may not have VISA before 16 June 2022. Therefore, DNV is seeking the approval of variation request regarding the assisted remote audit. Lead auditor will conduct the assessment remotely with the support of interpretror.</i>
3. Rationale/Justification	<i>The 1st surveillance audit has been planned as on-site visit on 16 ~ 19 June 2022 and it has been already annouced. However, the lead auditor who comes from India will not come to Korea during the planned audit date due to delay of VISA processing. To do site visit, the 1st surveillance audit should be postponed to the end of June 2022. However, Kelp farming is very seasonal. The harvesting season of the seaweed, Kelp normally finishes at the end of June. If the 1st surveillance audit is postponed, the lead auditor may not assess harvesting activities at the farm. The site visit will be done in the same day as originally planned and that the request is only for the site visit to be done as assisted remote. The translator and one person from DNV BA Korea sales team will be on-site to manage the audit to proceed smoothly</i>
4. Implications for assessment (required for production unit)	<i>The 2nd Servillance audit will be conducted on-site.</i>
5. Have the stakeholders of this fishery assessment been informed of this request? (required for fisheries assessment)	<i>No</i>
6. Further comments	<i>Please include any further relevant information.</i>

ASC-MSC response

Status	Complete
Decision	Accept
Date of decision	6/9/2022
Rationale for decision	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• There was a delay in processing the visa to enter South Korea, thus preventing the lead assessor from being able to attend the site visit in person• Further delays in the site visit would mean that it would take place after the annual harvest has been completed• An assisted remote audit would mean that the interpreter and another CAB staff member would assist with the audit on-site while the lead assessor attends remotely
Condition(s) for accepting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The audit will take place 16-19 June as announced• The ASC/MSC is willing to grant a variation to allow for an assisted remote site visit but not for the delay in this site visit