



By-Product assessment report

BP010

Killybegs (Pelagia)

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1. Application details		
Applicant	Killybegs (Pelagia)	
Applicant country	Ireland	
2. Certification Body details		
Name of Certification Body (CB)	Global Trust Certification Ltd, an NSF company	
Contact information for CB	Fisheries@nsf.org	
Assessor name	Lea Lebechnech	
CB internal peer reviewer name	Matthew Jew	
Internal peer review evaluation	Agree with evaluation	
Number of Assessment days	1	
Comments on the assessment	This assessment covers 15 byproduct species. All species were scored as Approved, Source with Caution.	
3. Approval validity	Valid from 10/2025	Valid until 10/2026
4. Assessment cycle	Re-Approval	

5. By-product assessment outcomes			
By-product species name	Flag country(ies)	Fishing Areas	MarinTrust approval status
<i>Capros aper</i> - Boarfish	Ireland, UK		Approved source with caution
<i>Micromesistius poutassou</i> - Blue whiting	Ireland		Approved source with caution
<i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i> - European anchovy	Ireland		Approved source with caution
<i>Cancer pagurus</i> - Crab	Ireland		Approved source with caution
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i> - Norwegian lobster	Ireland, UK		Approved source with caution
<i>Clupea harengus</i> - Herring	Ireland, UK		Approved source with caution
<i>Scomber scombrus</i> - Mackerel	Ireland, UK		Approved source with caution
<i>Sardina pilchardus</i> - European pilchard	Ireland		Approved source with caution
<i>Sprattus sprattus</i> - Sprat	Ireland		Approved source with caution
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i> - Haddock	Ireland		Approved source with caution
<i>Lophius budegassa/piscatorius</i> - Anglerfish	Ireland		Approved source with caution
<i>Raja clavata</i> - Thornback ray	Ireland		Approved source with caution
<i>Merluccius merluccius</i> - European hake	Ireland		Approved source with caution
<i>Gadus morhua</i> - Atlantic Cod	Ireland		Approved source with caution
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i> - Whiting	Ireland		Approved source with caution

Guidance for on-site auditor

For the audit, the auditor will check how the facility manages by-products deemed medium risk. Any by-products downrated from high to medium risk will require additional due diligence checks.

It is important that facilities check all raw materials from and verify their suppliers especially if there is a perceived risk of sourcing from known or suspected IUU fishing activity. This requires checking supplier records or procedures in place to understand how the supplier can ensure there is no IUU in the raw material they provide. For raw materials risk rated medium, additional or more frequent checks may be required until the facility is certain that the raw materials are not from IUU fishing activity.

The audit requirements are covered in clause 2.11.3 of the MarinTrust Global Standard for Responsible Supply of Marine Ingredients (the MarinTrust Standard) and associated interpretation guidance.

Approved by-products

- No further checks are required beyond those included in the MarinTrust Standard.

Additional checks of Approved Source with Caution by-products

- Review supplier records or procedures in place.

Additional checks of by-products Approved Source with Caution via Step 3 assessment

- In addition to checks for medium risk Approved Source with Caution by-products, by-products that have had risk downgraded from high to medium at Step 3 (use **Appendix 1** to identify these by-product species), confirm that the relevant traceability information continues to be collected for this by-product. During the audit, a traceability check on any by-products downgraded from high to medium risk shall be included as part of the required traceability checks (Section 4).

Guidance for the applicant/certificate holder

The applicant/certificate holder is responsible for ensuring the relevant actions are taken to comply with the MarinTrust Standard.

The certificate holder is responsible for communicating any changes to the by-products sourced by submitting a scope extension request through the MarinTrust online Application Portal.

Appendix 1 – assessment outcomes

Step 2 Assessment Outcomes

By-product species name	Flag country(ies)	IUCN Red List	CITES Appendices	Step 2 risk status	Step 3 required
<i>Capros aper</i> - Boarfish	Ireland, UK	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Micromesistius poutassou</i> - Blue whiting	Ireland	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i> - European anchovy	Ireland	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Cancer pagurus</i> - Crab	Ireland	Not Evaluated	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i> - Norwegian lobster	Ireland, UK	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Clupea harengus</i> - Herring	Ireland, UK	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Scomber scombrus</i> - Mackerel	Ireland, UK	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Sardina pilchardus</i> - European pilchard	Ireland	Near threatened	Not listed	Medium risk	No

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<i>Sprattus sprattus</i> - Sprat	Ireland	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i> - Haddock	Ireland	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Lophius budegassa/piscatorius</i> - Anglerfish	Ireland	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Raja clavata</i> - Thornback ray	Ireland	Near threatened	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Merluccius merluccius</i> - European hake	Ireland	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Gadus morhua</i> - Atlantic Cod	Ireland	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i> - Whiting	Ireland	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No

Step 3 Assessment Outcomes

By-product species name	Flag country(ies)	Fishing Area	Stock name	Category C Assessment Outcome	Traceability information	Step 3 Risk Outcome
Comments on Step 3 Assessment: No comments.						

Appendix 2 – detailed assessment outcomes (step 2 and step 3 if applicable)

Step 2 outcomes

Flag State	Risk rating	Flag score	Port score	General score	Flag State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs	'Carded' under EU Carding system	Flag state party to PSMA	Flag state mandatory vessel tracking for commercial seagoing fleet	WGI Governance rank (0-100%)
Ireland	Medium	2.08	2.11	1.73	1	1	1	1	95.28%
United Kingdom	Medium	2.04	2.61	1.97	1	1	1	1	93.40%

Step 3 outcomes

Category C assessment

Species name			
Fishing area and stock			
C1	Category C Stock Status - Minimum Requirements		
	C1.1	Fishery removals of the species in the fishery under assessment are included in the stock assessment process, OR are considered by scientific authorities to be negligible.	
	C1.2	The species is considered, in its most recent stock assessment, to have a biomass above the limit reference point (or proxy), OR removals by the fishery under assessment are considered by scientific authorities to be negligible.	
Clause outcome:			
References			

Traceability information

Information provided for Step 3 Path 1 or Path 2

Species name				
Path 1		Yes ☐ No ☐		
Confirm all KDEs are provided		Yes ☐ No ☐		
Path 2	Yes ☐ No ☐			
Path 2 outcome	Flag country	Coastal score	Port score	Risk outcome
				Choose an item.
				Choose an item.

Guidance for Applicants/Certificate holders on improved traceability

When by-product origin cannot be made more granular than major FAO Areas, or when the source fishery is taking place in the High Seas (i.e. outside of EEZs of all relevant nations), an assessor must evaluate the Coastal and Port scores for each nation that straddles that FAO Area. This may lead to higher risk outcomes for an applicant. To mitigate that risk, better practice involves securing KDEs from the source fishery of the by-products, thereby meeting Path 1 instead of Path 2.

What does better practices look like?

Comprehensive data collection and sharing: Collect detailed information using Key Data Elements (KDEs) including vessel identification and authorisation, species, catch areas, fishing method and dates. These are defined in the MarinTrust Standard clauses 2.11.2.2 and 3.2.5.

Supply chain transparency: Maintain detailed records at each step of the supply chain, from capture to final sale, to ensure traceability.

Interoperable systems and technologies to support the collection and transfer of this information.