AGREEMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL DOLPHIN CONSERVATION PROGRAM

27TH MEETING OF THE PARTIES

VERACRUZ, VERACRUZ (MEXICO) 14 JUNE 2013

RESOLUTION A-13-01

RESOLUTION ON VESSEL ASSESSMENTS AND FINANCING

 ${\it The Parties to the Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program (AIDCP):}$

Agree to implement Annex II.12 of the AIDCP as follows:

- 1. The assessments for those vessels whose well volume has been provided to the Secretariat by 1 August of any given year shall be based on the vessel's verified well volume.
- 2. The assessments for those vessels whose well volume has not been provided to the Secretariat by 1 August of any given year shall be based on the vessel's well volume as calculated by multiplying its carrying capacity, in metric tons, on the IATTC Regional Vessel Register by a factor of 1.4.
- 3. All assessments for vessels required to carry observers under the provisions of the AIDCP shall be calculated at a rate of US\$ 14.95 per cubic meter of well volume, including sealed wells, in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Resolution.
- 4. Assessments for vessels with a carrying capacity greater than 363 metric tons (IATTC capacity class 6) on the *Inactive and Sunk Purse-Seine Capacity List* of the Regional Register shall be calculated at a rate of US\$ 1.00 per cubic meter of well volume, in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Resolution.
- 5. For 2014 only, an extraordinary assessment of US\$ 2.00 per cubic meter of well volume shall be paid by all vessels of classes 1-6, both active and inactive. The income from this extraordinary assessment shall be retained by the Secretariat and used to reduce the current deficit of the AIDCP.
- 6. All vessel assessments contemplated in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5, shall be paid by December 1 of the preceding year, pursuant to paragraph 12(b) of Annex II of the AIDCP, regardless of whether the vessel has requested a DML for the following year.
- 7. Assessments for any vessel fishing in the Agreement Area pursuant to paragraph 12 of IATTC *Resolution C-02-03 on the capacity of the tuna fleet operating in the eastern Pacific Ocean* shall be calculated on the basis of the rate established in paragraph 3 of this resolution, and these assessments shall be paid before the vessel enters the Agreement Area to fish.
- 8. Any vessel assessment that has not been paid by the date specified in paragraph 6 shall be increased by a surcharge of 10% of the assessment, in addition to any sanction contemplated in Annex IV of the AIDCP.
- 9. As agreed at previous meetings, the assessment for any vessel smaller than class 6 that must carry an observer because the IRP identified a possible infraction of setting on dolphins, in accordance with Resolution A-02-01, shall be computed on the basis of a capacity of 363 metric tons and the rate established in paragraph 3.