NOTICE OF RECALL – STATE OF MAINE (updated issued 10/1/16)

The Department of Marine Resources (DMR) has been monitoring a widespread and abundant bloom of the phytoplankton Pseudo-nitzschia for the past several weeks. DMR initiated a closure for mussels on September 27th and expanded this closure to include clams on September 28th. DMR received additional Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning (ASP) scores from mussel and clam samples collected throughout eastern Maine on September 30th many of which exceeded the regulatory limit. DMR immediately closed the eastern portion of the state to all clam and mussel harvesting. DMR has initiated a recall of mussels and mahogany quahogs harvested or wet stored in the Jonesport area from September 25th through September 30th, as well as clams harvested in the area from Cranberry Point, Corea to Cow Point, Roque Bluffs from September 28th through September 30th.

The recall involves several Maine companies:

Carver Shellfish (ME 60 SP) CNW Seafood (ME 286 SS) Maine Shellfish (ME 100 SP) Moosabec Mussels Inc (ME 310 SS) RDR Shellfish (ME 260 SS)

Recalled product reached the following states:

Mahogany quahogs – MASSACHUSETTS (freight forwarder to NY, stopped in MA)

Mussels – GEORGIA (retail), MASSACHUSETTS (Nagle 940 SS; Whole Foods 8523 SS; Island Creek Oysters 9987 SS), MISSOURI (retail), NEW JERSEY (Trinity Seafood 738 SS), NEW YORK (retail) and UTAH (Fogg River 001 SS)

Soft shelled clams –MAINE only

All product is in the process of being recalled and destroyed. All Maine companies have initiated their recall plans and contacted their customers.

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