

Proposal Subject:	<i>Panopea generosa</i> as Species Exempted from Shellstock Storage Critical Control 'Point
Specific NSSP Guide Reference:	NSSP Guide Section II. Model Ordinance Chapter XIII. Shellstock Shipping .01 Critical Control Points C. Shellstock Storage Critical Control Point - Critical Limits.
Text of Proposal/ Requested Action	Product intended for relay, wet storage, depuration, <i>mercenaria spp.</i> which is being cooled utilizing an Authority approved tempering plan, <u>or geoduck clams (<i>Panopea generosa</i>) are exempt from the requirements listed above in .01.B.(4) <u>with implementation beginning January 1 after proposal adoption.</u></u>
Public Health Significance:	The geoduck clam (<i>Panopea generosa</i> – until 2010 referred to by the extinct clam name of <i>Panopea abrupta</i>) is a fishery dominated by the native tribes in Washington. The optimum handling, keeping and shipping temperature is 47° to 52° Fahrenheit (8.3°-11.1° Celsius). The lower temperatures contained in the shellstock critical control point at Chapter XIII. @.01.B. (4) would cause significant mortality in this product. There is no record of geoduck clams being associated with Vibriosis; laboratory testing of geoduck clams in 2007 by DOH revealed no detected presence of <i>Vibrio parahaemolyticus</i> .
Cost Information (if available):	There is no projected cost for this proposal. There is expected cost savings associated with this proposal due to the high loss of product expected with compliance.
Action by 2013 Task Force II	Recommended adoption of Proposal 13-216 as substituted. (5) Product intended for relay, wet storage, or depuration, or either geoduck clams (<i>Panopea generosa</i>), or <i>Mercenaria sp</i> which are being cooled utilizing an Authority approved tempering plan are exempt from the requirement listed above in .01 B. (4) above.[C] Implementation is to begin three (3) months after concurrence by FDA. This achieves the goal of not waiting until publication of the new NSSP Guide and takes into account the requirement that FDA approve all changes adopted at the ISSC Biennial Meeting, while minimizing unnecessary loss of geoduck product. Substitute Public Health Significance The geoduck clam (<i>Panopea generosa</i>) was until 2010, referred to by the extinct clam name of <i>Panopea abrupta</i> . The optimum handling, keeping and shipping temperature is 47° to 52° Fahrenheit (8.3°-11.1° Celsius). The lower temperatures contained in the shellstock critical control point at Chapter XIII. .01. B. (4) would cause significant mortality in this product.
Action by 2013 General Assembly	Adopted recommendation of 2013Task Force II on Proposal 13-216.
Action by FDA May 5, 2014	Concurred with Conference action on Proposal 13-216.