

Proposal for Task Force Consideration at the Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference 2013 Biennial Meeting		<input type="checkbox"/> Growing Area <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Harvesting/Handling/Distribution <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative
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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 B. Shellstock Storage Critical Control Point - Critical Limits.	
Text of Proposal/ Requested Action	<p>(5) Product intended for relay, wet storage, <u>or</u> depuration, or <u>either geoduck clams (<i>Panopea generosa</i>), or <i>Mercenaria sp</i></u> which <u>are</u> being cooled utilizing an Authority approved tempering plan are exempt from the requirement listed above in .01 B. (4) above.[C]</p> <p>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.</p>	
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.	
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.	