Contacts for U.S. Fish And Seafood Exporters...

Government

USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service, Forest and Fishery Products Division,

provides U.S. fishery producers, processors and distributors with international market intelligence, export assistance and promotion networks to compete effectively in the growing global market.

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Fax: (202) 720-8461 E-mail: ffpd@fas.usda.gov Web site: www.fas.usda.gov/ffpd/

fpd/html

USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service assists the U.S. aquaculture industry in coordination and certification, and in controlling pests and diseases of economic importance.

4700 River Rd., Unit 133 Riverdale, MD 20737 Tel.: (301) 734-8262 Fax: (301) 734-5786

Web site: www.aphis.usda.gov

National Marine Fisheries Service, part of the U.S. Department of Commerce's

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), supports domestic and international conservation and management of living marine resources.

NOAA Fisheries 1315 East West Highway, SSMC3 Silver Spring, MD 20910 Tel.: (301) 713-2334 Fax: (301) 713-0596

Web sites: www.nmfs.noaa.gov www.lib.noaa.gov/docaqua U.S. Commercial Service, part of the U.S. Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration, offers assistance to help you export goods and services.

Web site: www.usatrade.gov

Trade Information Center, part of the U.S. Commercial Service, can help with questions about exporting.

Tel.: (800) USA-TRAD(E) E-mail:TIC@ita.doc.gov

U.S. Export Assistance Centers in the United States provide access to the latest information from U.S. embassies and consulates for international trade and finance. Here's a list of regional offices.

Eastern Regional Office

World Trade Center 401 E. Pratt St., Suite 2450 Baltimore, MD 21202 Tel.: (410) 962-2799

Mid-East Regional Office

36 E. 7th St.. Suite 2025 Tel.: (513) 684-2947 Fax: (513) 684-3200

Mid-West Regional Office

8182 Maryland Ave., Suite 1011 St. Louis, MO 63105 Tel.: (314) 425-3300

Fax: (314) 425-3375

Western Regional Office

250 Montgomery St., 14th Floor San Francisco, CA 94104 Tel.: (415) 705-2310

Fax: (415) 705-2299

Regional Fishery Management Councils

The Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976 (amended as the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act in 1996) established an exclusive U.S. economic zone, which ranges between 3 and 200 miles offshore. The Act addresses foreign fishing, promotes a domestic fleet and links the fishing community more directly to the management process. Regional fishery councils manage living marine resources within the zone. For more information, contact a council.

New England: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut

50 Water St., The Tannery—Mill 2 Newburyport, MA 01950 Tel.: (978) 465-0492 Fax: (978) 465-3116 Web site: www.nefmc.org

Mid-Atlantic: New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina

300 South New St., Federal Building, Rm. 2115

Dover, DE 19904 Tel.: (302) 674-2331 Fax: (302) 674-5399 Web site: www.mafmc.org

South Atlantic: North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida

1 Southpark Circle Southpark Building, Rm. 306 Charleston, SC 29407

Tel.: (843) 571-4366 Fax: (843) 769-4520 Web site: www.safmc.net