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General Adoption Statement: Endorser

As a Production/Markets **Endorser** Partner with the GDST, **Slade Gorton & Co. Inc.** endorses the GDST Standards and Guidelines for Interoperable Seafood Traceability Systems and is committed to its adoption and implementation across the seafood sector worldwide. We recognize that, although implementation of GDST standards may require a phased approach:

- 1) Interoperable traceability is critically important to responsibly produced, globally traded seafood.
- 2) GDST's Core Normative Standards are mandatory for interoperable traceability implementation.
- 3) Dialogue participation gives GDST partners a voice to effect change and help evolve the standard.

We permit the GDST to publish this adoption statement on their website.

Authorized signer of Slade Gorton & Co., Inc.

Kim Gorton

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Signature

Date