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International Tuna Monitoring Program

2005 Annual Report



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***Message from the Executive Director
David C. Phillips
International Marine Mammal Project
Earth Island Institute***

As Earth Island continues our unique and successful International Monitoring Program for Dolphin Safe Tuna (IMP), you will be seeing many changes, both here in our Annual Report and in the field.

Our ISO 9001 credential has been renewed for another year by an outside agency, QMS, ensuring continued quality monitoring for tuna around the globe.

Thanks to your continued participation, Earth Island's monitoring program is one of the largest and most successful environmental monitoring programs in the world, encompassing more than 300 tuna companies, brokers, fishermen, and retail outlets in more than 50 countries.

Verifying the dolphin-safe operations of tuna companies around the world has been instrumental in the protection of dolphins and other marine life. We are proud of the work of our monitors and heartened by the hundreds of tuna companies that have honestly and diligently complied with the Dolphin Safe standards. Now, under ISO 9001 standards, we have independent recognition of the quality of our work.

This year, we have transferred listings and press releases from our Annual Report to our online website.

For background information on the history of the dolphin-safe issue and our current list of verified dolphin-safe tuna companies contact: <http://www.DolphinSafeTuna.org>

For information on our registered trademark Dolphin Safe logo in Europe contact: <http://www.earthisland.org/immp/edsmo.htm>

We further invite you to visit our new website for tuna consumers and the general public. Here you will find our outreach educational information as well as special alerts on dolphin-deadly (e.g. nonconformance) supplies and suppliers of tuna. Go to: <http://www.DolphinSafe.org>

Information on our other marine mammal projects and activities continues to be found on our main page: <http://www.earthisland.org/immpp>

Failure of Dolphin Populations to Recover:

In the Eastern Tropical Pacific Ocean, there is an ever-stronger scientific basis to the fact that the failure of dolphin populations to recover is the result of the continued chase and encirclement of dolphins on mother dolphins and their young. Ongoing scientific studies have documented that the chase separates mothers from dependent young, resulting is significant, and by some accounts, massive unobserved and uncounted dolphin mortality. Young dolphins cannot keep up with the mothers during the long high-speed chases. Once separated many are not able to re-join the mothers and thus die from starvation or are killed by predators.

The practice of setting nets on dolphins continues to have significant adverse impacts on the dolphin populations. The dolphin populations simply cannot and will not recover until the practice of chasing and netting dolphins is permanently prohibited.

Dolphin-Safe Logos:

The vast majority of tuna companies around the world -- processors, importers, brokers, and retailers -- have repeatedly made it clear that they are committed to the use of a dolphin-safe label that prohibits all chase and capture of dolphins. There is widespread opposition to the use of any weakened unscientific labels. Such use would pose unacceptable risks to dolphins and also risks destroying consumer confidence in the dolphin safe label that has been built over the past sixteen years.

Earth Island Institute remains categorically opposed to any and all use of fraudulent labels, including those promoted by the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) or the use of any labels as substitutes for dolphin safe (e.g. labels referring to sustainability) unless these labels incorporate the non-encirclement standards for dolphin safe. The position opposing weakening of the non-encirclement dolphin-safe label is supported by the vast majority of the US and international environmental community. Organizations including Greenpeace USA, The Humane Society of the US, Humane Society International, Defenders of Wildlife, the Animal Welfare Institute, Friends of the Earth, the Sierra Club, Marine Connection and the International Wildlife Coalition support the current no-encirclement definition.

US Court Action:

The US Courts have re-affirmed Earth Island's position that the practice of setting nets on dolphins is having significant adverse impacts on dolphins and that the weakened IATTC dolphin safe label is illegal for use in the US. The Bush Administration, at the behest of Mexico, has appealed the latest ruling, with oral arguments expected in mid-2006, but we are confident that the strong dolphin safe standards will continue to be upheld, both in the US

and internationally, as the most scientifically supportable and widely used standards for tuna.

Contact Us:

We encourage you to contact us at any time with any questions or problems that you may have regarding the dolphin-safe issue and our monitoring program.

We greatly appreciate your continued support for a program that is helping dolphins and building consumer confidence in dolphin-safe tuna.

David C. Phillips
Director



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GENERAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- The Earth Island Institute International Monitoring Program (IMP) is the only independent marine conservation monitoring effort in the world to place on-site monitors at tuna landing sites, inside tuna storage and processing facilities, and when possible on-board fishing and carrier vessels. The program continues the active inspection of procurement and sales records of tuna canneries around the world.
- The program has been instrumental in maintaining consumer confidence globally in the verifiability and credibility of Dolphin Safe tuna.
- The program ensures a level playing field for dolphin-safe companies and maximum protection for dolphins by publicizing and thereby discouraging the shipment of tuna caught by netting dolphins from entering world markets.
- The program ensures that tuna caught by the netting of dolphins is not illegally labeled or imported into the US. In six successive US federal court rulings, Earth Island has prevented the deceptive labeling of canned tuna.
- The program continues to add new approved canneries, fishing companies and countries supplying tuna caught without chasing and netting dolphins.

- The IMP continues to secure and renew commitments from the world's largest tuna canneries, companies, brokers, and retailers to maintain the strict original labeling standards of no encirclement of dolphins during an entire fishing trip.
- The program continues to closely monitor the status of dolphin populations, to ensure continued reductions in dolphin mortality, and to promote fishing techniques that do not require the chase, netting, and mortality of dolphins and other marine mammals.
- The program continues to work with fishing fleets, government agencies and scientists to reduce bycatch of non-target species and juvenile tuna.
- The IMP has been certified as being in compliance with ISO 9001 international standards for management quality.

SPECIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

For detailed information on IMP and a current listing of Earth Island-verified Dolphin Safe tuna companies, go to our website at: <http://www.DolphinSafeTuna.com>

Tuna Companies verified Dolphin-safe by Earth Island Institute.....	374
Countries that have companies as part of Earth Island's IMP.....	51
Inspections carried out by Earth Island monitors globally in 2005.....	758
Tuna Shipments Targeted and other Incidents of Nonconformance with International Dolphin Safe Tuna Standards and Earth Island Procedures in 2005.....	5

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**CONTINUING SERVICES PROVIDED FOR DOLPHIN-SAFE
TUNA COMPANIES:**

- Assessing new and potential suppliers and making timely determinations of their status as "Approved".
- Detecting canneries, companies and countries needing further investigation in order to maintain the credibility of the dolphin-safe policies and seeking their cooperation in the program.
- Alerting dolphin-safe companies and tuna consumers to canners, importers, fishing companies, etc. that fail to uphold the dolphin-safe policy criteria.
- Providing high-quality, professional, and rigorous monitoring of supply sources.
- Maintaining a worldwide list of Approved Canners, Importers, Brokers, Fishing Companies, and making such lists available to participants and the public at www.DolphinSafeTuna.com and our new site for tuna consumers www.DolphinSafe.org.
- Providing a registered trademark label in Europe to help tuna companies avoid confusions with phony "dolphin safe" labels on nonconforming brands of tuna.
- Maintaining a website where company lists, EII policies, and other documents and information are available online for both consumers and the tuna industry.
- Conducting ongoing research and analysis of all aspects of the tuna-dolphin fishery in the Eastern Tropical Pacific (ETP) and all facets of the international dolphin-safe labeling program,

making information available to dolphin-safe companies for the purpose of allowing signatories to be fully informed and able to respond to inquiries.

- Responding to misleading reports in the media.
- Educating the public about the importance of dolphin protection and the key steps taken by tuna companies to assist in such protection.

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