Sea Pact FAQ

What is Sea Pact?

• Sea Pact is a coalition of like-minded, progressive seafood companies willing to engage in a range of coordinated activities that promote positive change for the world’s oceans.

Who are the members of Sea Pact?

• The members of Sea Pact are ten like-minded seafood suppliers from the U.S. and Canada with progressive sustainability commitments.
  
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  o Ipswich Shellfish Group, Ipswich, Massachusetts. Contact Jim Saxonis, (978) 356-4371
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What does Sea Pact hope to accomplish?

• As seafood suppliers, we recognize our responsibility to not only embrace environmental stewardship, but to also safeguard our waters to ensure the healthy availability of seafood for generations to come.

• To help achieve this, we have collectively established Sea Pact in order to pool our resources and knowledge to support improvements and leverage change in the fishing and fish farming systems from which we source.

What is Sea Pact’s mission statement?

• Sea Pact will improve the sustainability of global seafood by using the collective power of like-minded North American seafood distributors to improve fishing and fish farming systems globally.

How did Sea Pact begin?

• Sea Pact grew out of Santa Monica Seafood’s successful “Responsible Sourcing/Vendor Partnership (RSVP) Program, a collaboration with FishWise that applied a percentage of their purchases towards projects aimed at improving fisheries and aquaculture efforts at home and abroad. The program generated interest from like-minded companies in both the U.S. & Canada who wanted to offer a similar type of financial support.

• A panel presentation at the 2012 Boston Seafood Show was the catalyst for the initial discussions, and the founding members of Sea Pact were selected based on their progressive sustainability policies.

What is the role of New Venture Fund?

• New Venture Fund (NVF) is a non-profit public charity acting as a fiscal sponsor for Sea Pact, which includes grant and contract management. Under New Venture Fund, Sea Pact can act as a non-profit organization and distribute and receive charitable donations.

How can I contribute to Sea Pact?

• Donations may be submitted as a one-time or recurring gift via the button on the Sea Pact website. Donations are protected by our 501(c)3 non-profit status through NVF, and are used only for project funding.

What is the role of Sustainable Fisheries Partnership (SFP), FishWise, and Ocean Outcomes?

• SFP, FishWise, and Ocean Outcomes act as environmental consultants for Sea Pact. These organizations draw on their experience in sustainability to advise Sea Pact on improvement projects to fund and how best to utilize their resources to promote positive environmental gains.

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