

Progress Report on Vessel Monitoring System IATTC Resolution C-14-02

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Pursuant to paragraph 6 of Resolution C-14-02, this is a report on Canada's vessel monitoring system (VMS) in the eastern Pacific Ocean.

As a condition for obtaining a licence to fish tuna on our Pacific coast, all Canadian vessels greater than 24 metres in length must be equipped with approved VMS satellite transponder equipment. The equipment and its operation must meet a range of specific requirements with respect to when the unit begins transmitting, the type of data transmitted, the frequency of transmission, the spatial precision of the data, and others. All vessels participating in the fishery have been equipped with units meeting these requirements.

Canada's VMS system is not designed to report catch and effort information. Where appropriate, these data are gathered through other means, including email and an electronic logbook program.