

DECISION OF THE STANDING PRICE SETTING PANEL FALL SHRIMP FISHERY 2013

The Standing Fish Price-Setting Panel issued its decision on the prices to be paid for Summer Shrimp on June 20th, 2013. The price set by the panel, was to remain in effect until September 7th, 2013, and was to form a collective agreement or part of a collective agreement between the Association of Seafood Producers hereinafter referred to as "ASP", and the Fish, Food and Allied Workers, hereinafter referred to as "FFAW".

The 2013 Shrimp Schedule between the FFAW and ASP provides in Article 13 as follows:

"The parties hereto agree that the spring price list as set out in the attached price list shall be in effect to June 23rd, 2013. The parties will meet prior to June 22nd, 2013 to commence negotiations for the price list for the summer period and prior to the expiration of the summer price to commence negotiations for the fall period. In the event there is no agreement on the price for summer or fall periods the parties agree to refer the matter to the Standing Fish Price - Setting Panel for binding resolution in accordance with the provisions of the Fishing Industry Collective Bargaining Act. All terms and conditions of this schedule except prices are in effect from April 1st, 2013 to March 31st, 2014."

The FFAW and ASP commenced negotiations for a price for the Fall Shrimp Fishery on September 5th, 2013. In the absence of reaching an agreement on the price to be paid for Fall Shrimp, the panel set a date for a hearing into the matter for Monday, September 9th, at 2:00 pm.

The parties appearing before the panel were the FFAW and ASP. Both parties made their respective presentations to the panel followed by their rebuttals as well as responding to questions from the panel members.

In addition to having the presentations of the parties for consideration the panel also had the market reports on the fall shrimp fishery from Seafood.com and GEMBA Seafood Consulting.

The panel has considered the presentations of the parties as well as the market reports from the consultants in arriving at a decision. It is the decision of the panel to accept the position of the FFAW.

This decision is binding on all processors that produce the species shrimp and will form a collective agreement or part of a collective agreement with the FFAW.

The panel will issue a more detailed report on this decision within two weeks.

Dated this 11th day of September, 2013.


Joe O'Neill
Chairperson


Edwin Hussey
Member


Max Short
Member

FFAW Final Fall Shrimp 2013 Price Offer

Size	Distribution	Plant	
Categories	Fall 2012	Price	
2 – 2.9	3.89	\$0.235	
3 – 3.9	10.59	\$0.397	
4 – 4.9	16.40	\$0.485	
5 – 5.9	16.61	\$0.574	
6 – 6.9	16.84	\$0.676	
7 – 7.9	14.90	\$0.725	
8 – 8.9	9.74	\$0.776	
9 – 9.9	5.35	\$0.851	
10+	5.67	\$0.902	
			\$0.620

Prices for trucked shrimp included in the 2013 offer would be 3 cents less per pound.