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***Marine Harvest pleased by U.S. FDA move to
lift notice on company's salmon***

Campbell River, BC. Marine Harvest Canada was pleased to receive confirmation today from the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that the agency has removed the detention order put in place on December 21, 2007, against a shipment of MHC salmon exported to the U.S.--that product is now released for export and sale to the U.S.

"The FDA advised us by telephone yesterday and will confirm in writing that the decision was made after a review of its test results from early December which found trace levels of malachite green (MG) in a shipment of our salmon randomly inspected by the agency," says Clare Backman, Director, Environmental Compliance and Community Relations.

Backman adds that tests conducted in January by an independent lab on MHC salmon from the same farm sites and the same processing plant as that tested by the FDA could not detect MG in the samples tested.

"We're relieved and pleased that this detention order has been removed and is no longer on the FDA website," says Vincent Erenst, Managing Director, Canada. "Nothing is more important to Marine Harvest than the safety of our products and the very high quality of the fish we produce. We are pleased to have this issue behind us."

Marine Harvest Canada employs about 500 people on Vancouver Island and the mid-coast of B.C. It produces 45,000 tonnes of fresh, high-quality salmon each year for export to the United States and Asia.

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