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NOTIFICATION

Peer review of the draft report of Scientific synthesis on the impacts of ocean fertilization on marine biodiversity

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the peer review of the draft report of scientific synthesis on the impacts of ocean fertilization on marine biodiversity.

Pursuant to decision IX/20, paragraph 3, the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) has prepared this report in collaboration with the UNEP-WCMC, with funding provided by the Government of Spain, by compiling and synthesizing available scientific information on potential impacts of direct human-induced ocean fertilization on marine biodiversity. Upon the completion of peer-review and further revision, this report will be made available for consideration at the forthcoming fourteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, scheduled for May 2010.

The draft report is accessible at http://www.cbd.int/marine/doc/scientific-synthesis-marine-peerreview-en.doc. Please submit your comments and suggestions on the draft report to the CBD Secretariat (secretariat@cbd.int) at your earliest convenience, but **no later than 31 August 2009.**

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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