CONSERVATION MEASURE 51-05 (2008) Limits on the exploratory fishery for *Euphausia superba* in Statistical Subarea 48.6 in the 2008/09 season

Species	krill
Area	48.6
Season	2008/09
Gear	trawl

The Commission hereby adopts the following conservation measure in accordance with Conservation Measure 21-02, and notes that this measure would be for one year and that data arising from these activities would be reviewed by the Scientific Committee:

Access

1. Fishing for *Euphausia superba* in Statistical Subarea 48.6 shall be limited to the exploratory trawl fishery by Norway. The fishery shall be conducted by one (1) Norwegian flagged vessel using one of the fishing techniques in Annex 21-03/A.

Catch limit

2. The total catch of *Euphausia superba* in Statistical Subarea 48.6 in the 2008/09 season shall not exceed a precautionary catch limit of 15 000 tonnes, of which no more than 11 250 tonnes shall be taken from areas within 60 n miles of known breeding colonies of land-based krill-dependent predators.

Season

3. For the purpose of the exploratory fishery for *Euphausia superba* in Statistical Subarea 48.6, the 2008/09 season is defined as the period from 1 December 2008 to 30 November 2009.

Mitigation

- 4. The exploratory fishery for *Euphausia superba* in Statistical Subarea 48.6 shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of Conservation Measure 25-03 so as to minimise the incidental mortality of seabirds in the course of fishing.
- 5. The use of marine mammal exclusion devices on trawls is mandatory.

Observers

6. The vessel participating in the fishery shall have one observer appointed in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation, and where possible an additional observer, on board throughout all fishing activities within the fishing period.

Data: catch/effort

- 7. For the purpose of implementing this conservation measure in the 2008/09 season, the following shall apply:
 - (i) the Ten-day Catch and Effort Reporting System set out in Conservation Measure 23-02;
 - (ii) the Monthly Fine-scale Catch and Effort Reporting System set out in Conservation Measure 23-04. Fine-scale data shall be submitted on a haul-by-haul basis.
- 8. For the purpose of Conservation Measures 23-01 and 23-04, the target species is *Euphausia superba* and by-catch species are defined as any species other than *Euphausia superba*.

Data: biological

9. Fine-scale biological data, as required under Conservation Measure 23-05, shall be collected and recorded. Such data shall be reported in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation.

Research

10. Each vessel participating in this exploratory fishery shall conduct fishery-based research in accordance with the Research Plan described in Conservation Measure 51-04.

Environmental protection

- 11. Conservation Measure 26-01 applies.
- 12. There shall be no offal discharge in this fishery.