Anonymous Submission

Consultation name: Review of Domestic Commercial Vessel Safety Legislation—Phase 2— Costs and Charging Arrangements

Response:

To whom it may concern

I have been a full time fisherman since 2009 I own 4 boats 3 of which are grandfathered, the proposed expectation to bring grandfathered boats into survey is outrageous since 2013 we have had nothing but expense after expense with AMSA and enough is enough. To build the 1 boat I have in survey, one of the first in the industry to might I add cost me over \$35000 extra on TOP of what the boat would have cost for anyone in the private sector. I be leave Grandfathered boats should stay the same (GRANDFATHERED). Every operator with boats with this clause have all the required safety gear and follow SMS's. Along with fishery reforms, implication of vms's this industry is on its Knees and cant keep shelling out every time someone wants to review or change the rules.. This is not an option for my operation and for my mental heath I now find every time I see these emails come through my anxiety goes through the roof. Please for the sake of our dyeing industry leave us do our jobs of supplying Australia with some of the best seafood in the world.