

## MARKET NEWS

### **Fresh Products**

**Cobia** – Remains elusive.

**Wahoo and Pompano** – Readily available.

**Grouper** – Prices going up every day. Best buy is pre-cut. Reds more available than Blacks.

**Yellow Tail Snapper** – Supply is getting better but at slightly higher prices.

**Salmon** – Whole is hard to come by but fillets are available. 2-3 are most abundant.

**Albacore Tuna** – Supply should start to ease toward the end of the month, prices will follow supply.

**Tuna** – Whole supply is strong but the quality is poor. 2+ fish seen more like 2's and the #1's lean more toward #2's.

**Mahi** – Supplies good, prices are down.

### **Frozen Products**

**Lobster Tails** – Supply still very tight and prices very high. Hopefully will see some Florida Tails processed over next week. Cold Water remains high, and Tristan very high.

**Grouper** – Supply very tight to non-existent. Current crackdown in labelling may have your customers rethinking how they market their fish sandwiches.

**Mahi (Coldsmoked)** – Excellent value. Have new Ecuadorian 4-5 lb fillets that are labelled 3-5. Very nice product.

**Shrimp** – Trying to go up as retailers and distributors alike plan their holiday needs.

*A Thai Report suggests they were told concessions would be made in the bond requirements, though none were made as yet. This does however suggest the US sees potential problems with paying both a duty and a 100% bond to cover the same duty. Should get interesting.*

**Snow Crab** – Supplies tightening and prices going up. Both clusters and cocktail claws.

**SAKU Tuna Loins** - Back into the 8-12 cc Loins – Great product.