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# NZCS achieves significant acceleration in sales growth during Q2 FY2023

### **Highlights:**

- Sales of NZ\$892,779 (AU\$803,502¹) generated during October and November 2022 already a 25% increase on total sales during full period of Q2 FY2022 NZ\$716,440 (AU\$644,796¹)
- Takes current H1 FY2023 sales to NZ\$2,079,206 (AU\$1,871,285¹) already a 27% rise on full period of H1 FY2022 sales of NZ\$1,636,865 (AU\$1,473,178¹)
- Rapid increase is underpinned by higher volume orders of premium marine products and bulk purchase orders into Australian and US markets

Leading secondary producer of nutraceuticals, seafood products and premium marine ingredients **New Zealand Coastal Seafoods Limited (ASX:NZS and NZSOB)** ("NZCS", the "Company") is pleased to provide this update on significant acceleration of sales growth during the December quarter to date, in response to requests at the Company's recent Annual General Meeting.

The Company achieved sales of NZ\$892,779 (AU\$803,502¹) during October and November 2022 – already a 25% increase on sales generated across the entirety of the prior comparative period Q2 FY2022 sales: NZ\$716,440 (AU\$644,796¹).

Recent sales momentum has flowed through to total sales of NZ\$2,079,206 (AU\$1,871,285<sup>1</sup>) in H1 FY2023 to-date, already a 27% increase on H1 FY2022 sales of NZ\$1,636,865 (AU\$1,473,178<sup>1</sup>) ahead of the busy December 2022 sales period.

The strong result has been underpinned by increased sales volumes of the Company's premium marine products, predominately NZS' premium dried ling maw, in both branded and bulk purchase formats.

The Company has also benefited from relaxed travel restrictions, which have allowed senior sales staff and management to travel to key Australasian markets for business development initiatives.

Sales results for periods from July 2022 are unaudited.

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<sup>1</sup> NZD= 0.90AUD

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Higher rates of tourism into Australia and New Zealand have also broadened brand exposure and added to the Group's revenue profile.

**New Zealand Coastal Seafoods CEO Andrew Peti said**: "The Company has made very strong progress in recent months, highlighted by a step-change in sales momentum during H1 FY2023. Pleasingly, October and November 2022 sales have already eclipsed the entirety of Q2 FY2022.

"As travel restrictions associated with the COVID-19 pandemic continue to relax, the Company has been able to undertake a number of business development initiatives across key Australasian markets. This has laid a very strong foundation for growth, and the executive team continues to advance a number of new commercialisation opportunities that remain in the pipeline.

"Concurrently, the Board and management have executed on a review of the Company's cost base which has resulted in a reduction of operating expenditure across select business units, to drive group margin growth while also exploring opportunities to accelerate sales through the nutraceutical division."

This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of New Zealand Coastal Seafoods Limited.

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#### **About New Zealand Coastal Seafoods**

New Zealand Coastal Seafoods (NZCS) is a New Zealand based, ASX listed, producer of premium seafood products and nutraceutical marine ingredients. Through the development of Nutraceutical products, NZCS has recognised significant opportunities in this high growth market, with the global Nutraceutical market estimated at US \$230.9 billion in 2018.

1 https://www.bccresearch.com/market-research/food-and-beverage/nutraceuticals-global-markets.html

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Harnessing the countries reputation for pure, pristine waters and fisheries provenance, NZCS utilise raw ingredients sourced from New Zealand's sustainably managed fisheries, employing a nose-to-tail philosophy to create a range of high-value products.

The Company's mission is to share the sought-after flavours of sustainably-sourced, nutritious, healthy and organic goodness of New Zealand's seafood, through expanding global distributors, wholesalers and consumer channels.

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