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New Zealand King Salmon appoints Alan Cook as Chief Operating Officer

New Zealand King Salmon Investments (NZX and ASX: NZK) is pleased to announce the appointment of Alan Cook as Chief Operating Officer.

With 20 years' senior management experience in the aquaculture industry, Alan's career has seen him work in salmon farming on both coasts of Canada, in Chile and in Washington State on the US west coast."

Most recently, as Vice President – Fish for Marel, a leading provider of commercial food processing equipment, Alan has developed important insights on best practice seafood processing and information management, while maintaining strong ties to salmon farming.

"I am really excited about the opportunity to work in New Zealand and working with a team that is as passionate about salmon farming as I am," says Alan. "I started my career farming king salmon and always hoped I would have the opportunity to work with the species again."

Alan joins the business as NZ King Salmon prepares for research into open ocean salmon farming, and he is expected to commence in February 2019.

"We're delighted to welcome Alan to the company. Alan brings an invaluable portfolio of experience across salmon farming and processing to contribute to achieving our vision for aquaculture to be one of New Zealand's greenest industries providing sustainable, nutritious food for the future," says Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Grant Rosewarne.

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About New Zealand King Salmon

New Zealand King Salmon is the world's largest aquaculture producer of the premium King salmon species. We operate under our four key brands: Ōra King, Regal, Southern Ocean, and Omega Plus, as well as the New Zealand King Salmon label. We have been growing and selling salmon to consumers for more than 30 years. Today we employ around 500 people. New Zealand investors make up a significant percentage of the ownership of NZ King Salmon and the communities of Marlborough, Nelson Bays and Tasman are well represented with nearly 400 of the 2,800 shareholders from the Top of the South. More information can be found at www.kingsalmon.co.nz