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**THE BUSINESS INTEGRITY COMMISSION ANNOUNCES ARREST OF TWO  
EMPLOYEES OF BLUE RIBBON FISH CO AND ONE EMPLOYEE OF WAKEFERN  
FOOD CORP FOLLOWING THE THEFT OF DIESEL FUEL**

Commissioner and Chair Shari C. Hyman of the New York City Business Integrity Commission (“the Commission”) announced the arrests on Thursday, June 27, 2013 of two employees of the Blue Ribbon Fish Company and one employee of the Wakefern Food Corporation in connection to theft of diesel fuel from a Shop Rite tractor trailer parked in the New Fulton Fish Market. All three men were charged with petit larceny and processed at the 41<sup>st</sup> Precinct. The two employees of Blue Ribbon have been permanently banned from the Markets and were stripped of their BIC-issued photo IDs.

“Any kind of criminal activity tarnishes the market’s reputation as a good place to do business and this arrest highlights our ongoing commitment to ensuring the market is free from illegal activity,” said Commissioner and Chair Shari C. Hyman, “I want to thank the NYPD for their assistance on this arrest and their continued dedication to working with us in the market.”

The investigation and arrests were conducted by Det. Emilio Bermonty and BIC Investigators Edward Miranda and Cristian Santos under the supervision of Deputy Director of Investigations Ruben Santiago and Lt Christopher Murphy of the New York Police Department Organized Crime Investigations Division. The investigation was sparked by security footage forwarded to BIC investigators by the New Fulton Fish Market Security Division.

The Business Integrity Commission (“BIC”) is both a law enforcement and regulatory agency charged with the oversight of the private carting industry, the businesses operating in the City’s public wholesale markets, and the shipboard gambling industry. The mission of BIC is to eliminate organized crime and other forms of corrupting and criminality from the industries it regulates.