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Seafood firm shut for environmental violations

BÌNH THUẬN — The People's Committee of Phan Thiết City in Binh Thuận Province yesterday suspended the operations of a seafood processing company for violating environmental regulations.

The Hoà Thuận Ltd Co was fined VNĐ32.53 million (US\$1,800) and told that it had 30 days to move its base out of a residential area in the city's Tiến Lợi Commune and install a waste treatment system.

The provincial Natural Resources and Environment Department on May 19 discovered the company was dumping water used for washing its seafood and equipment onto the surrounding grounds. In late May, local police also uncovered evidence that the company was violating environmental regulations.