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November 9, 2009

Dear New Jersey Summer Flounder Permit Holder:
New Jersey Summer Flounder Dealer:

As determined by New Jersey's commercial summer flounder landing records, the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife anticipates the season six (November-December) quota of 234,079 pounds of summer flounder will be harvested by Wednesday November 11, 2009. Based upon this information and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:25-18.12(i), the New Jersey directed summer flounder fishery will be closed as of 6:00 PM (Wednesday), November 11, 2009.

Effective 6:01 PM, November 11, 2009 no vessel shall land or possess nor shall any dealer accept any summer flounder in excess of the by-catch trip limit of 200 pounds through December 31, 2009 or until such time as the seasonal by-catch is projected to be taken. By-catch landings may not exceed ten percent, by weight, of all species landed and sold.

The directed summer flounder fishery will re-open on January 3, 2010 with a 3,000 pound trip limit with a maximum of two landings per week OR 5,000 pound trip limit with a maximum of one landing per week. If you have any questions, please contact the Bureau of Marine Fisheries at 609-748-2020.

Sincerely,

David Chanda
Director

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