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Dear Commercial Fisheries Dealer;

Due to the recent destruction surrounding Hurricane Sandy, the Division of Fish and Wildlife is conducting a comprehensive assessment of the damage to New Jersey's recreational and commercial fishing fleets and infrastructure. The U.S. Department of Commerce approved Governor Christie's request for a declaration of a federal fishery resource disaster as a result of the devastation to the commercial and recreational fishing industries caused by Hurricane Sandy. A federal fishery disaster declaration is the first step in the process to provide disaster relief for impacted sectors of the industry.

Therefore, we are requesting this in an attempt to determine the amount of damage you incurred specifically related to your commercial fishing operation, including estimates of time lost fishing and gear loss.

We would appreciate it if you could please take the time to complete these questions to get us started. We are considering any loss of fishing/damage that occurred since Saturday, October 27 2012. We encourage you to complete the enclosed survey as accurately as possible and as soon as possible.

1. Owner Name (s): _____
2. Business Name: _____
3. Physical Address: _____
4. Contact Phone Number: _____
5. Damage, Structural; _____ (0=None, 5=Total Loss)
6. Damage, Product: pounds/counts _____ estimated value \$ _____

7. Damage, Equipment

a. Type_____Amount Lost_____Estimated Cost_____

b. Type_____Amount Lost_____Estimated Cost_____

c. Type_____Amount Lost_____Estimated Cost_____

d. Type_____Amount Lost_____Estimated Cost_____

8. Operating Status (Percent Open, example; 100, 50, 20, 0)

Pre Storm_____Week 1_____Week 2_____Week 3_____Week 4_____

9. Operating Status, Purchases (Pounds Purchased Per Week)

Pre Storm_____Week 1_____Week 2_____Week 3_____Week 4_____

10. Operating Status, Purchases (Value of Purchases Per Week)

Pre Storm_____Week 1_____Week 2_____Week 3_____Week 4_____

If you have any questions, please call 609-748-2020.

An electronic version is available at

http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/news/2012/sandy_disaster_info.htm

Please fax your responses to 609-748-2032 or mail your responses to:

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