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Dear New Jersey Directed and Non-Directed Tautog Permit Holder:

As required by N.J.A.C. 7:25-18.12(c)11vi, the Department must notify all New Jersey Tautog Permit holders of the annual season allocations. This letter shall serve as notice regarding the 2013 New Jersey commercial tautog quota and seasons.

The 2013 commercial tautog annual quota is 103,000 pounds and is open from January 1 through January 15, June 11 through June 30, and November 9 through December 31. The commercial tautog fishery is closed during all other periods. The minimum size limit remains at 15 inches.

For your convenience, we are enclosing four (4) monthly reporting forms which must be submitted for the months or partial months of January, June, November and December when the commercial tautog season is currently open (i.e. 2013 seasons). Also enclosed is a map of statistical fishing areas so you can identify on the reporting forms the location where the commercial tautog harvest occurs. Four reporting forms must be submitted no later than five working days following the end of the reported month or partial month. If no trips for tautog were taken and no tautog were landed during the month or partial month, a report to that effect shall be required.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brandon Muffley".

Brandon Muffley, Chief
Bureau of Marine Fisheries

Enclosure