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August 6, 2014

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 4, July-August directed quota of 208,629 pounds of summer flounder will be landed by Saturday, August 9, 2014. Based upon this information and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:25-18.12(i), the **New Jersey Season 4 directed summer flounder fishery will be closed as of 8:00 PM (Saturday), August 9, 2014.**

Effective 8:01 PM, Saturday, August 9, 2014 no vessel shall land or possess nor shall any dealer accept any summer flounder in excess of the by-catch trip limit of 100 pounds through August 31, 2014 or until such time as the Season 4 by-catch is projected to be taken. By-catch landings may not exceed ten percent, by weight, of all species landed and sold.

The 2014 Season 5 (September-October) by-catch summer flounder fishery will open September 1, 2014 with a by-catch limit of 100 pounds per trip. By-catch landings may not exceed ten percent, by weight, of all species landed and sold.

The 2014 Season 5 (September-October) directed summer flounder fishery will open on Sunday, September 7, 2014 with a 650 pound trip limit with a maximum of four landings per week or a 2,500 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,

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

Brandon Muffley
Marine Fisheries Administrator

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