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November 13, 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 6, November-December directed quota of 162,144 pounds of summer flounder will be landed by Wednesday, November 19, 2014. Based upon this information and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:25-18.12(i), the New Jersey Season 6 directed summer flounder fishery will be closed as of 6:00 PM (Wednesday), November 19, 2014.

Effective 6:01 PM, November 19, 2014 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, 2014 or until such time as the Season 6 by-catch is projected to be taken. By-catch landings may not exceed ten percent, by weight, of all species landed and sold.

The 2015 Season 1 (January-February) by-catch fishery will open on January 1, 2014 with a by-catch trip limit of 200 pounds. The 2015 directed summer flounder fishery will open on Sunday, January 4, 2015 with a 2,500 pound trip limit twice over a two week period or 5,000 pound trip limit once over a two week period.

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