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October 22, 2015

Dear Scup Moratorium Permit Holder:
New Jersey Scup Dealer:

As determined by New Jersey's commercial scup landing records, the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife anticipates the 2015 Summer (May- October) quota of 239,832 will be landed by Sunday, October 25, 2015. Based upon this information and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:25-18.12(k), the New Jersey scup fishery will be closed as of 11:59 PM Sunday, October 25, 2015.

Effective 12:00 AM, Monday, October 26, 2015, no vessel shall land or possess nor shall any dealer accept any scup landed in NJ and harvested from either federal or state waters.

The directed scup fishery will re-open on Sunday, November 1, 2015 for the Winter II Season. At this time, the anticipated daily trip limit will be 12,000 pounds per trip. If the Winter II Season trip limit changes, a letter to that effect will be sent. If you have any questions, please contact the Bureau of Marine Fisheries at 609-748-2020.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brandon Muffley".

Brandon Muffley
Marine Fisheries Administrator

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