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March 3, 2015

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 2015 Season 2 (March-April) directed quota of 68,310 pounds of summer flounder will be landed by Friday, March 6, 2015. Based upon this information and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:25-18.12(i), the New Jersey 2015 Season 2 directed summer flounder fishery will be closed as of 6:00 PM (Friday), March 6, 2015.

Effective 6:01 PM, March 6, 2015 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 April 30, 2015 or until such time as the Season 2 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 3 (May-June) by-catch fishery will open on May 1, 2015 with a by-catch trip limit of 100 pounds. By-catch landings may not exceed ten percent, by weight, of all species landed and sold.

The 2015 Season 3 (May-June) directed fishery will open on May 3, 2015 with a directed trip limit of 250 pounds 7 times a week or 500 pounds four times a 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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