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May 6, 2020

Dear New Jersey Black Sea Bass Permit Holder:
New Jersey Black Sea Bass Dealer:

Please be advised, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:25-18.12r, the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, with the approval of the Marine Fisheries Council has modified the **Seasons 3, 4, 5, and 6** directed black sea bass trip limits.

Trip limit modifications are in response to a 59% increase of the coastwide commercial black sea bass quota. This results in an adjusted New Jersey commercial black sea bass quota of 1,116,000 pounds.

Effective Sunday, May 10, 2020, the Seasons 3, 4, 5, and 6 directed black sea bass trip limits will be modified as follows:

(May-June): option A- 800-pound trip four times a week **or**

option B- 800-pound trip two times a week **AND** 1,600-pound trip one time a week **or**

option C- 1,600-pound trip two times a week **or**

option D- 2,000-pound trip one time a week **AND** 1,200-pound trip one time a week.

(July-August): option A- 800-pound trip four times a week **or**

option B- 800-pound trip two times a week **AND** 1,600-pound trip one time a week **or**

option C- 1,600-pound trip two times a week **or**

option D- 2,000-pound trip one time a week **AND** 1,200-pound trip one time a week.

(September-October): option A- 800-pound trip four times a week **or**

option B- 800-pound trip two times a week **AND** 1,600-pound trip one time a week

or

option C- 1,600-pound trip two times a week **or**
option D- 3,200-pound trip one time a week.

(November-December): option A- 800-pound trip four times a week **or**
option B- 1,600-pound trip two times a week **or**
option C- 3,200-pound trip one time a week.

If you have any questions, please call the Bureau of Marine Fisheries at 609-748-2020 or 609-292-7794.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph A. Cimino". The signature is stylized with a large initial "J" and a prominent "C".

Joseph A. Cimino,
Marine Fisheries Administrator