

adequacy of the statement or merits of the alternatives discussed. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the NEPA document. Comments may also address the adequacy of the NEPA document or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the NEPA document. (Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.) Comments received, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal and will be available for public inspection.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: May 22, 2008.

Emily H. Menashes,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Fisheries of the South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico; Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR); SEDAR 16 King Mackerel Assessment Panel; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of SEDAR 16 South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico King Mackerel Post-Assessment Workshop Conference Call.

SUMMARY: The SEDAR 16 Assessment Panel will meet via conference call to review assessment model results and discuss future documentation needs. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

DATES: The SEDAR 16 Assessment Workshop Panel will meet on Tuesday, June 17, 2008, from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. (EST).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via conference call. Listening stations are available at the following locations: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive 1201, North Charleston, SC 29405; and the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 North Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie A. Neer, SEDAR Coordinator, SAFMC,

4055 Faber Place, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405; telephone: (843) 571-4366 or toll free: (866) SAFMC-10; fax: (843) 769-4520.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The South Atlantic, Gulf of Mexico, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils; in conjunction with NOAA Fisheries, the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, and the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission; implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks. SEDAR 16 is developing an assessment of the South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico King Mackerel stock.

During this conference call the SEDAR 16 King Mackerel Assessment Panel will follow-up on activities from its May 5-9, 2008 meeting by reviewing the assessment model results, and discussing future documentation needs.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 10 business days prior to the meeting.

Dated: May 27, 2008.

Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Hearings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public hearings.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council will hold public hearings to allow for input on Amendment 10 to the Fishery Management Plan for the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fishery (FMP).

DATES: Written comments will be accepted until 23 June 2008. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for dates, times and location of hearings.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: Daniel T. Furlong, Executive Director of the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, Suite 2115 Federal Building, 300 South New Street, Dover, DE 19904.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel T. Furlong, Executive Director of the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, Room 2115 Federal Building, 300 South New Street, Dover, DE 19904; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: There are four proposed management actions in this Amendment. To reduce general discards and to allow the butterfish stock to rebuild to BMSY and protect the long-term health and stability of the rebuilt butterfish stock, the proposed management actions could:

1. Develop a butterfish mortality cap program for the Loligo fishery;
2. Increase the Loligo minimum codend mesh size;
3. Eliminate exemptions for Illex vessels from Loligo minimum codend mesh requirements; and
4. Establish seasonal gear restricted areas (GRAs).

Public hearings: The scheduled public hearings are as follows:

June 9 - Sheraton Convention Center Hotel, Two Miss America Way, Atlantic City, NJ 08401; telephone: (609) 344-3535;

June 17 - Hilton Garden Inn, Providence Airport Warwick, 1 Thurber Street/Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, RI 02886; telephone: (401) 734-9600; and
June 18 - Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites East End, 1707 Old Country Road, Route 58, Riverhead, NY 11901; telephone: (631) 548-1000.

All hearings begin at 7 p.m. and will be tape recorded with the tapes filed as the official transcript of the hearing.

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