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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

This request is for extension of a currently approved information collection.

NOS Office of Coast Survey manages the Certification Requirements for Distributors of NOAA Electronic Navigational Charts (NOAA ENC<sup>®</sup>). The certification allows entities to download, redistribute, repackage, or in some cases reformat, official NOAA ENC<sup>®</sup>s and retain the NOAA ENC<sup>®</sup>'s official status. The regulations for implementing the Certification are at 15 CFR part 995.

The recordkeeping and reporting requirements of 15 CFR part 995 form the basis for this collection of information. This information allows the Office of Coast Survey to administer the regulation, and to better understand the marketplace resulting in products that meet the needs of the customer in a timely and efficient manner.

##### II. Method of Collection

Responses from the Certified ENC Distributors are all electronic and sent via email. All distributors have an Excel spreadsheet which they submit for the twice-yearly report.

##### III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 0648-0508.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission (extension of a currently approved collection).

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions; and business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 8.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 1 hour to provide a distribution report twice a year; 18 hours for reporting of errors in the ENC.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 320.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$0 in recordkeeping/reporting costs.

##### IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information;

(c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to

be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 21, 2011.

#### Gwellnar Banks,

*Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

#### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648-XA846**

#### Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) and its Mid-Atlantic Monkfish Subcommittee will hold public meetings.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held Tuesday, December 13 through Thursday, December 15, 2011. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at Kingsmill, 1010 Kingsmill Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185; telephone: (757) 253-1703.

*Council address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State St., Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901-3910; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Christopher Moore, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: (302) 674-2331 ext. 255.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Tuesday, December 13, 2011

9 a.m. until noon—The Monkfish Subcommittee will meet.

1 p.m.—The Council will convene.

1 p.m. until 2:30 p.m.—There will be a presentation on the CIE Review of the June 2012 Excessive Shares Workshop and Council discussion on next steps.

2:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.—An Atlantic Wind Connection Project presentation will occur.

3:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.—A presentation from the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Habitat Division will occur.

4:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m.—A discussion on the November 14 Ecosystem and Ocean Planning Committee meeting will be held.

##### Wednesday, December 14, 2011

8 a.m.—The Council will convene.

8 a.m. until 4 p.m.—The Council will adopt recommendations for 2012 commercial and recreational harvest levels and commercial management measures for summer flounder and scup and finalize summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass recreational management measures for 2012 in conjunction with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's (ASMFC) Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Boards.

4 p.m. until 5:30 p.m.—There will be a review with the ASMFC Board of Amendment 17 to the Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass FMP alternatives.

5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.—There will be a Public Listening Session.

##### Thursday, August 18, 2011

8:30 a.m.—The Council will convene.

8:30 a.m. until 9 a.m.—The Ricks E Savage Award will be presented.

9 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.—The Council will receive a presentation on Fishery Management Councils: Decision-making, Communication, and Social Factors Associated with Ecosystem-based Fisheries Management.

9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.—The Council will conduct its regular Business Session, receive Organizational Reports, Council Liaison Reports, Executive Director's Report, Science Report, Committee Reports, and any continuing and/or new business.

Agenda items by day for the Council's Committees and the Council itself are:

On Tuesday, December 13, the Mid-Atlantic Monkfish Subcommittee will discuss issues and concerns unique to the Mid-Atlantic Monkfish fishery and potential management solutions. The Council will receive presentation on the CIE Review of the June 2012 Excessive Shares Workshop and followed by Council discussion on next steps. Kris Ohleth will provide the Council with a presentation on the Atlantic Wind Connection Project. The Council will receive a presentation from Chris Boelke and Lou Chiarella of the NMFS Habitat Division. The Council will discuss and identify the next steps related to the

November 14 Ecosystem and Ocean Planning Committee meeting.

On Wednesday, December 14, the Council in conjunction with the ASMFC's Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Boards will review the Scientific and Statistical Committee's (SSC) and the associated Monitoring Committee's and Advisory Panel's specification recommendations and adopt 2012 commercial and recreational harvest levels and commercial management measures for summer flounder and scup, and finalize recreational management measures for summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass. The Council will review alternatives to address spatial and regional management of the black sea bass recreational fishery and discuss potential complimentary action by the Council and ASMFC Board related to Amendment 17 to the Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass FMP.

On Thursday, December 15, the Council will present the Ricks E Savage Award. The Council will receive a presentation by Ingrid Biedron of Cornell University on Fishery Management Councils: Decision-making, Communication, and Social Factors Associated with Ecosystem-based Fisheries Management. The Council will hold its regular Business Session to approve the October 2011 minutes and address any outstanding actions from the October 2011 meeting, review and approve SOPPs, review and approve 5-year research plan, receive Organizational Reports, Liaison Reports, the Executive Director's Report, the Science Report, Committee Reports, and any continuing and/or new business.

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

#### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to M. Jan Saunders,

(302) 526-5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: November 22, 2011.

**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

**RIN 0648-XA845**

#### International Affairs; U.S. Fishing Opportunity in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization Regulatory Area

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

**ACTION:** Notification of U.S. fishing opportunity.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces a U.S. fishing opportunity for 1,000 mt yellowtail flounder in Division 3LNO of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization (NAFO) Regulatory Area during 2011. This action is necessary to make available this U.S. fishing opportunity on an equitable basis.

**DATES:** Expressions of interest regarding NAFO Division 3LNO yellowtail flounder will be accepted through December 13, 2011. Fishing operations must take place during 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Expressions of interest regarding NAFO Division 3LNO yellowtail flounder should be made in writing to Patrick E. Moran in the NMFS Office of International Affairs, at 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (*phone:* (301) 427-8370, *fax:* (301) 713-2313, *email:* [Pat.Moran@noaa.gov](mailto:Pat.Moran@noaa.gov)).

Information relating to NAFO fish quotas, NAFO Conservation and Enforcement Measures, and the High Seas Fishing Compliance Act (HSFCA) Permit is available from Douglas Christel, at the NMFS Northeast Regional Office at 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930 (*phone:* (978) 281-9141, *fax:* (978) 281-9135, *email:* [douglas.christel@noaa.gov](mailto:douglas.christel@noaa.gov)) and from NAFO on the World Wide Web at <http://www.nafo.int>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick E. Moran, (301) 427-8370.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## Background

NAFO has established and maintains conservation measures in its Regulatory Area that include one effort limitation fishery as well as fisheries with total allowable catches (TACs) and member nation quota allocations. The principal species managed are cod, flounder, redfish, American plaice, halibut, hake, capelin, shrimp, skates and squid. The United States currently receives no yellowtail flounder allocation from NAFO. However, as the result of a bilateral arrangement with Canada, the United States may request a transfer of up to 1,000 mt of NAFO Division 3LNO yellowtail flounder from Canada's quota allocation for use by U.S. vessels during 2011, or any succeeding year through 2017. In January 2011, this fishing opportunity was announced in the **Federal Register** and two U.S. vessels were subsequently identified to harvest the fish during 2011. Due to changing economic and other circumstances, these vessels will now be unable to fish during 2011. New procedures for obtaining NMFS authorization to fish for NAFO Division 3LNO yellowtail are specified below.

### U.S. Fishing Vessel Applicants

Expressions of interest to fish 1,000 mt of yellowtail flounder in NAFO Division 3LNO will once again be considered from U.S. vessels in possession of, or eligible for, a valid HSFCA permit, which is available from the NMFS Northeast Regional Office (see **ADDRESSES**). All expressions of interest should be directed in writing to Patrick E. Moran (see **ADDRESSES**). Letters of interest from U.S. vessel owners should include the name, registration, and home port of the applicant vessel as required by NAFO in advance of fishing operations. In addition, any available information on dates of fishing operations should be included. To ensure equitable access by U.S. vessel owners, NMFS may promulgate regulations designed to choose one or more U.S. applicants from among expressions of interest.

Note that vessels issued valid HSFCA permits under 50 CFR part 300 are exempt from multispecies permit, mesh size, effort-control, and possession limit restrictions, specified in 50 CFR 648.4, 648.80, 648.82 and 648.86, respectively, while transiting the U.S. exclusive economic zone (EEZ) with multispecies on board the vessel, or landing multispecies in U.S. ports that were caught while fishing in the NAFO Regulatory Area, provided: