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December 23, 2009

Dear New Jersey Directed and Non-Directed Tautog Permit Holder:

As required by N.J.A.C. 7:25-18.12(c)11vi, the Department must notify all New Jersey Tautog Permit holders of the annual season allocations. This letter shall serve as notice regarding the 2010 New Jersey commercial tautog quota and seasons.

The 2010 commercial tautog annual quota is 103,000 pounds and is open from January 1 through January 15, June 5 through June 30, and November 1 through December 31, as was implemented in 2008 under the requirements of Addendum V to the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Tautog. The commercial tautog fishery is closed during all other periods.

Enclosed are four (4) monthly reporting forms which must be submitted for the months or partial months of January, June, November and December 2010 when the commercial tautog season is open. Also enclosed is a map of statistical fishing areas so you can identify on the reporting forms the location where the commercial tautog harvest occurs. Four reporting forms must be submitted no later than five working days following the end of the reported month or partial month. If no trips for tautog were taken and no tautog were landed during the month or partial month, a report to that effect shall be required.

Sincerely,

Brandon Muffley, Chief
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Enclosure