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Commissioner

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Dear New Jersey Summer Flounder Permit Holder
New Jersey Summer Flounder Dealer

As of January 16, 2008 the Division of Fish and Wildlife has determined preliminarily that 315,942 pounds of summer flounder were landed during the January/February directed season. Although the full directed quota was not landed, the directed January/February season will NOT be reopened due to the potential for an excessive overage.

Please be advised that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:25-18.12(i), summer flounder commercial trip limits have changed effective January 11, 2008. Commercial trip limits for the directed fishery are now as follows:

Jan-Feb	3,000 pound trip limit with a maximum of two landings per week
Mar-Apr	1,500 pound trip limit with a maximum of three landings per week
May-June	500 pound trip limit with a maximum of four landings per week
July-Aug	500 pound trip limit with a maximum of four landings per week
Sept-Oct	750 pound trip limit with a maximum of four landings per week OR 3,000 pound trip limit with a maximum of one landing per week
Nov-Dec	1,000 pound trip limit with a maximum of four landings per week OR 3,000 pound trip limit with a maximum of one landing per week

New Jersey Summer Flounder Dealers must provide daily reports during the period January 1 through February 29 and weekly (Sunday through Saturday) reports during the period March 1 through December 31 to the Division of Fish and Wildlife listing the amount of summer flounder landed on a daily basis by vessel. **Dealer reports must be filed electronically on the Standard Atlantic Fisheries Information System (SAFIS)** or faxed to the Division at the number specified on the reporting form no later than 10:00 AM on the following day for daily reports and 12:01 PM on Monday following the week's end. If no landings occurred, a report to that effect is required. **If a dealer is reporting electronically through SAFIS, a faxed report is not required.**

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

Sincerely,

Thomas McCloy, Administrator
Marine Fisheries Administration