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Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC)
The Martinique on Broadway, New York, NY
December 9-11, 2003

Final Agenda

TUESDAY December 9, 2003

8:30 AM Opening Remarks: Agenda Review and Housekeeping - Alvin Osterback, Chairman, and Laurel Bryant DFO.

8:45 AM Introductory Remarks - State of Fisheries & Constituent Input 2003: Dr. Bill Hogarth, Assistant Administrator for Fisheries

9:45 AM Ocean Commission Status & Review - Dr. Paul Sandifer, Senior Scientist, National Centers for coastal Ocean Science, Charleston, SC, Chairman of Ocean Commission's Stewardship Working Group.

10:30 AM - Break

10:45 Constituent Sessions 2003 - A Summary & Discussion: Mary Hope-Katsouros & Bill Merrell

[12:noon – Working Lunch]

12:30 PM National Standards 1 Guidelines – Summary Status Review: Rick Methot, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NWR.

2:30 PM - Break

2:45 PM Implementing the Endangered Species Act – Current Fisheries Issues: Laurie Allen, Director, Office of Protected Resources

3:45 PM Essential Fish Habitat - Summary and Status of Proposed Rulemaking: Rollie Schmitten, Director, Office of Habitat Conservation

4:30 PM Adjourn –

4:30 – 5:30 PM Informal Committee Gathering, Top Floor, Hotel Martinique.

Group Activity: Dinner at Tony DiNapoli's (6-8pm) and NYC Comedy Club (8:30-10:30)

WEDNESDAY, December 10, 2003

5:45 – 8:30 AM - Tour of Fulton Fish Market

9:00 AM - NOAA Fisheries' Bycatch Implementation Plan, Review and Discussion with Sea Grant (Jim Murray, Director, Extension Program, Sea Grant) - Full Committee meeting jointly chaired by Ralph Rayburn and Tony DiLernia, Bycatch and Outreach Subcommittees.

- I. Call to Order (Rayburn/DiLernia)
- II. Meeting Purpose (Rayburn)
- III. Background of Issues – (NOAA Fisheries, Dunnigan & Lent)
 - a) Oceana Petition
 - b) NOAA Fisheries Bycatch Strategy
 - c) Update of general activities
 - A) RFMC Activities
 - B) Technology Developments
 - d) Targeted Activities
 - A) NOAA Fisheries National Bycatch Working Group
 - B) Regional Implementation Plans
- IV. Focus on Target Activities
 - a) NOAA Fisheries National Bycatch Working Group Report Review
 - A) Review
 - B) Strategy for Implementation and Use
 - C) Discussion
 - b) Regional Bycatch Implementation Plans
 - A) Review
 - B) Strategy for Implementation and Use
 - C) Discussion
- IV. Outreach Resources for Bycatch Issue
 - a) NOAA Fisheries Outreach Resources (NOAA Fisheries)
 - b) Sea Grant Fisheries Extension Resources (NOAA Sea Grant Office)
- VI. Recommendations and Action Items

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THURSDAY December 11, 2003

7:30 AM - Meet in Lobby - for cab rides to New York Stock Exchange

8:00 AM - New York Stock Exchange – Breakfast in Executive Dining Room, Opening Bell at 9:30 ***

*** NOTE Our Regrets: Despite the best efforts of the meeting planners MAFAC members ONLY will be allowed to enter the NYSE (i.e. NO family members are allowed in the NYSE). Since 9/11, the security at the NYSE has become intense and only Security-Cleared individuals are allowed into the NYSE. Therefore, although family members are encouraged to attend the tour of the Fulton Fish Market, they will not be admitted to the NYSE and are encouraged to have breakfast elsewhere during the time MAFAC attends a breakfast and the opening-bell at the NYSE.

10:45 – Full Committee Resumes:

Program, Planning Budget System within NOAA: Bonnie Morehouse, Director, Program Analysis & Evaluation, NOAA.

NOAA Fisheries, Budget Status and Annual Operating Planning Progress: Alan Risenhoover, Deputy Director, Management & Budget, NOAA Fisheries

1:00 – Lunch

Any remaining discussion & report items regarding Bycatch Implementation – Bycatch & Outreach Subcommittees

Additional Subcommittee Reports: Aquaculture Subcommittee may have a report Regarding Pew Foundation recommendations.

Administrative/Housekeeping: Charter Renewal (March 2004), and Summer Meeting in Kodiak, Alaska – Date Selection (July/August 2004) and Ecosystem-Based Management: Lessons Learned through Stellar Sea lions

Wrap-Up: Follow-Up Tasks and Agenda Items for Next Meeting

ADJOURN FULL COMMITTEE: 4:30 PM

