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National Marine Fisheries Service
Northeast Region
55 Great Republic Drive
Gloucester, MA 01930

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Deadline for Requesting Data Corrections for Potential Sector Contributions for Fishing Year 2011

Dear Limited Access Multispecies Permit Holder:

This letter is a follow up to the May 1, 2009, letter we sent you regarding data corrections and the process for requesting review of your vessel's landings history and dealer reported purchases.

If you are considering participation in the Northeast Multispecies Sector Program for Fishing Year (FY) 2011 and you have identified errors in the summarized data used to calculate your Potential Sector Contribution (PSC), you may submit a written request to NOAA Fisheries Service (NMFS) for review and possible correction of the data. NMFS must complete the processing of these requests by December 31, 2009. In order for NMFS to have sufficient time to review your submissions and to make any needed corrections for FY 2011, your complete request must be received or postmarked no later than Saturday, October 31, 2009.

Any requests received or postmarked after October 31, 2009, will be accepted and processed by NMFS; however, there may not be sufficient time to include any possible changes in the calculation for sector contributions for FY 2011 if those requests are received after October 31, 2009. If those corrections are not made in time for FY 2011, they will be made for FY 2012.

All requests for corrections to your vessel's data must be made in writing. If you wish to request a correction to your catch/landings records, you may use one of the two contact methods below.

How to request a data correction

1) Mail written requests to: NOAA Fisheries Service
FSO Data Correction Requests
55 Great Republic Drive
Gloucester, Massachusetts 01930-2276

or

2) Email your request to: FSO.DATA.CORRECTIONS@NOAA.GOV Please enter "FSO Data Correction Requests" **and** your vessel's six-digit permit number in the subject line of your email.

Contact Information

- If you need assistance with the process of submitting a request to NMFS to review the dealer purchase report data for your vessel, please contact the Fisheries Statistics Office at: (978) 675-2160 or (631) 324-3569, or email us at: FSO.DATA.CORRECTIONS@NOAA.GOV.
- For questions about Amendment 16 or the Northeast Multispecies Sector Program, contact the Sustainable Fisheries Division at: (978) 281-9315.

A copy of the May 1, 2009 letter can be found at:

<http://www.nero.noaa.gov/nero/nr/nrdoc/09/09muldatasectoramend16.pdf>

Sincerely,

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