



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE
NORTHEAST REGION
One Blackburn Drive
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Dear Vessel Permit Holder:

This letter provides you with notification that the Regional Administrator has certified an additional Vessel Monitoring System (VMS) for use in all northeast fisheries. You may obtain further information about this unit, the SkyMate VMS, by contacting:

SkyMate Inc.
14000 Willard Road, Suite 2
Chantilly, Virginia 20151
Phone: 703-636-4220 or 866-SKYMATE
Fax: 703-814-8585
<http://www.skymate.com>

This notification is being provided to allow you to consider fully all of the options that may be available to you to comply with VMS requirements set forth in the fishing regulations (50 CFR 648.9). The other certified VMS units are available from Boatracs (phone: 800-336-8722; fax 858-657-0121; <http://www.boatracs.com>).

Additional information about these regulatory requirements can be obtained by contacting the Northeast Regional Office, Sustainable Fisheries Division, at 978-281-9315.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Kurkul
Regional Administrator

