

## **UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE NORTHEAST REGION One Blackburn Drive Gloucester, MA 01930-2298

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## Small Entity Compliance Guide

Dear Multispecies Permit Holder:

This letter is to inform you that as of May 13, 2003, pursuant to 50 CFR 648.86(a)(1)(iii)(B), the daily haddock landing limit for vessels fishing under a limited access multispecies day-at-sea (DAS) permit is adjusted. The daily landing limit is suspended from 0001 hours on May 13, 2003, through 0001 hours on April 30, 2004, unless you are otherwise notified. The maximum landing limit allowed per trip is 30,000 lb per trip for the period May 13, 2003 through September 30, 2003, and 50,000 lb per trip for the period October 1, 2003, through April 30, 2004. Therefore, the amount of haddock on board will not be counted on a DAS basis, but vessels are still subject to the respective haddock landing limit per trip for each of the time periods stated above.

This adjustment is being enacted as specified in the Northeast multispecies regulations to provide the industry with the opportunity to harvest the total allowed catch for the 2003 fishing year.

This small entity compliance guide complies with section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement and Fairness Act of 1996.

This notice is authorized by the Administrator of the National Marine Fisheries Service, Northeast Region.

