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### STATEMENT OF PERMIT CONDITIONS: SMALL MESH TRAWL SQUID FISHERY SEASON EXTENSION

The Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries has declared an extension to the small mesh trawl exempted fishery for squid. Pursuant to the authority at, G.L. c. 130 §§ 2, 17A and 80 and 322 CMR §§ 4.06(5)(a)(2) and 7.01(7), all 2019 commercial fisherman permits with regulated fishery permit endorsements for a CAP-Squid have been hereby conditioned to allow continued small mesh trawl fishing within the small mesh trawl squid trawl exempted area:

1. During the period of June 10, 2019 through June 16, 2019, vessels fishing with net mesh that measures less than 6 ½ inch may fish in those waters under the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth within small mesh squid trawl exempted area, as described at 322 CMR 4.06(1).
2. All vessels fishing with or in possession of nets with a net mesh measuring less than 6 ½ inch shall not retain, possess or land more than 100 pounds of flounders.
3. All vessels participating in the exempted squid trawl fishery shall use net mesh measuring at least 1 7/8”.

These permit conditions do not further exempt you from any marine fishery laws and regulations at G.L. c. 130 and 322 CMR. Any violation of the above stated permit condition is subject to the fines and penalties set forth at G.L. c. 130 §§ 2 and 80, G.L. c. 21A § 10H and 322 CMR 7.01(9), including but not limited to an administrative hearing to suspend or revoke your commercial fisherman permit.

These permit conditions shall expire on June 17, 2019.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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June 10, 2019

Effective Date