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DIRECTOR'S DECLARATION:

LONGFIN SQUID POSSESSION LIMIT ADJUSTMENT

On June 27, 2016, NOAA fisheries established a 2,500 pound possession and landing limit for longfin squid for the remainder of the federal Trimester II (May 1 – August 31) quota period (Federal Register Notice). Under the authority at G.L. c. 130 §§ 17A, 21 and 80 and 322 CMR §§ 6.39(2) and (3) and 7.01(7) the Director is declaring a complementary possession limit of 2,500 pounds for loligo squid through 2359 hours on August 31, 2016. Effective 0001 hours on September 1, 2016 vessels may possess and land squid in Massachusetts in excess of 2,500 pounds.

Dated: <u>July 12, 2016</u>

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