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FISHERY CLOSURE

COMMERCIAL SUMMER FLOUNDER FISHERY

Pursuant to the notice and public comment requirements of G.L. c.30A, §3 and under the authority of G.L. c.130, §17A and 322 CMR §§ 6.41(3) and 7.01(7) the Commonwealth's 2014 commercial summer flounder quota, as established by 322 CMR §6.22(1) is projected to be taken on Sunday, September 21, 2014. Therefore, in accordance with 322 CMR §§ 6.22(2)(e), the commercial summer flounder fishery in Massachusetts is closed from 0001 hours on Monday, September 22, 2014 until 0001 hours on Sunday, February 1, 2015. During this period, 322 CMR § 7.07(5)(b) prohibits primary buyers from purchasing any summer flounder from Massachusetts commercial summer flounder fishermen, permitted in accordance with 322 CMR § 7.01(2) and 7.01(4).

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