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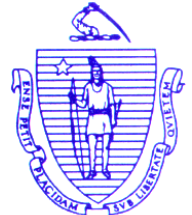
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COMMERCIAL TAUTOG FISHERY

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 tautog quota, as established by 322 CMR §6.40(1)(d) is projected to be taken on Friday, October 10, 2014. Therefore, in accordance with 322 CMR §§ 6.40(4)(b), the commercial tautog fishery in Massachusetts is closed effective 0001 hours on Saturday, October 11, 2014, and will re-open in 2015. During this period, 322 CMR § 7.07(5)(b) prohibits primary buyers from purchasing any tautog from commercial fishermen, permitted in accordance with 322 CMR § 7.01(2).

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