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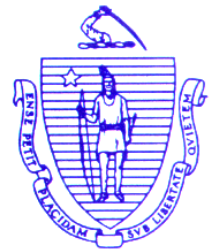
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June 12, 2015

Name of Business Owner

Business Name

Address 1

Address 2

City, State Zip

Re: Pre-qualification Application for Shoreside Groundfish Disaster Assistance

Dear Name of Business Owner:

The Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) has received the pre-qualification application for shoreside groundfish disaster assistance you submitted on behalf of Business Name. As part of the application you were asked to briefly explain the relation of your shoreside business to the Massachusetts commercial groundfish fishery and whether you could document: at least 30% and at least \$32,500 of your total business receipts/sales in any one year from Calendar Year 2009-2013 was generated from commercial vessels with limited access multispecies permits and/or state waters Groundfish Endorsements (GEs). Based upon your response we invite you to now follow-up with documentation towards final determination of qualification for groundfish disaster economic assistance.

Please provide the following information for the year in which you reported the highest percent (%) of your total business receipts/sales came from business with the Massachusetts commercial groundfish industry:

- 1) A copy of your business tax return to document total business income; and
- 2) Copies of receipts/sales that document the business income generated by the Massachusetts commercial groundfish industry.

If your business is a primary buyer of groundfish and you wish DMF to query and use purchases of eligible groundfish as reported to SAFIS in lieu of your sending copies of receipts, please check this box. ☐

All documentation must be received or postmarked by June 30, 2015. Documents may be mailed (Division of Marine Fisheries Boston Office c/o Samantha Andrews, 251 Causeway St., Suite 400, Boston, MA 02114), faxed (617.626.1509) or emailed (Samantha.n.andrews@state.ma.us).

Should you have any questions about this application please contact Samantha Andrews, DMF Program Coordinator, by phone at (617) 626-1564 or by email at Samantha.n.andrews@state.ma.us.

Sincerely,

Melanie Griffin
Policy Analyst