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**COMMERCIAL FLUKE FISHERY TO CLOSE WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12TH -
Landings permitted until 8 PM on Tuesday, August 11th**

Current dealer reporting information indicates that the Commonwealth's 2009 summer flounder (fluke) fishery quota (702,614-lbs.) will be reached on Tuesday, August 11th. Therefore, after 8PM on Tuesday, August 11th commercial fishermen are prohibited from landing or possessing fluke through December 31, 2009.

The 2010 Period I fishery is scheduled to open on February 1, 2010 with a 500-lb. daily possession limit for net gears.

For further information contact DMF at 617-626-1520 or please visit our website at www.mass.gov/marinefisheries.