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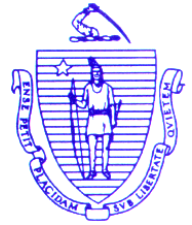
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### **FISHERY CLOSURE**

#### **ATLANTIC SEA HERRING INSHORE MANAGEMENT AREA 1A**

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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 §7.01(7) the quota for Atlantic sea herring in inshore management area 1A as established by 322 CMR §9.02(1) has been taken. Therefore, in accordance with 322 CMR §9.05(1)(a)(2), the Atlantic sea herring fishery within the waters of inshore management area 1A is hereby closed.

The Director has deemed it necessary for purposes of conservation and management to apply the conditions and restrictions set forth below to all Massachusetts regulated fishery permit endorsements for the Atlantic sea herring fishery.

1. It is unlawful for any commercial fishermen to land more than 2,000 pounds of Atlantic sea herring caught within inshore management Area 1A during a single fishing trip or a 24-hour day, whichever is longer.
2. It is unlawful for any commercial fishermen to transit inshore management area 1A in a vessel having more than 2,000 pounds of Atlantic sea herring on board except that this prohibition shall not apply to vessels that have stowed away all purse seine and mid-water trawl gear.

Dated: October 15, 2013

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