

ocean quahogs; and other fishery management matters.

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Dated: July 11, 1995.

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### Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's Bluefish Monitoring Committee will hold a public meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on July 28, 1995, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the Delaware Room of the Holiday Inn, 45 Industrial Highway, Essington, PA; telephone: (610) 521-2400.

*Council address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; 300 S. New Street; Dover, DE 19901.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David R. Keifer, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The main objectives of this meeting will be to review bluefish landings, catch data, and stock assessment information, and to make recommendations for management measures for 1996.

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### Marine Mammals and Endangered Species; Permits

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Issuance of modification to scientific research permit no. 837 (P771#67).

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Alaska Fisheries Science Center, NMFS, NOAA, National Marine Mammal Laboratory, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE., Bldg 4, Seattle, WA 98115 has been issued a modification to permit no. 837.

**ADDRESSES:** The modification and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Director, Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE., Bin C15700, Seattle WA 98115 (206/526-6150); and Director, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (907/586-7221).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On May 24, 1995, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (60 FR 27492) that a request for a permit modification had been submitted by the above-named organization. The modification was issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*) and the fur seal regulations at (50 CFR part 215).

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### South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a joint public meeting of the

Council's Shrimp Committee, Shrimp Plan Development Team (PDT) and Shrimp Advisory Panel (AP).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on August 1, 1995, from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m..

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Town and Country Inn, 2008 Savannah Highway, Charleston, SC 29407; telephone: (803) 571-1000.

*Council address:* South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; One Southpark Circle, Suite 306; Charleston, SC 29407-4699.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sharon Coste, telephone: (803) 571-4366; fax: (803) 769-4520.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The joint meeting of the Council's Shrimp Committee, PDT and AP has been scheduled to facilitate completion of a public hearing draft of Amendment 2 to the Shrimp Fishery Management Plan that is being developed to address bycatch in the shrimp fisheries of the South Atlantic region. The Council's Shrimp Committee reviewed an options paper on bycatch reduction at the June 1995 Council meeting and approved recommendations on measures to be included in a public hearing document. This document will reflect the Council's proposals to (1) develop specific bycatch reduction measures for all penaeid shrimp fisheries in the South Atlantic exclusive economic zone (EEZ); (2) require the use of NMFS-approved bycatch reduction devices in all penaeid shrimp trawls in the EEZ; (3) reduce the bycatch component of weakfish and Spanish mackerel fishing mortality by 50 percent; and (4) include brown and pink shrimp in the management unit. The PDT will also be asked to help Council staff develop season and area closure options for the draft hearing document that is scheduled to be approved for public hearings and informal review at the August 21-25, 1995 Council meeting in Charleston, SC.

### Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Sharon Coste at the Council (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) by July 18, 1995.

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