# NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

### Joint Dogfish Committee

# I. STATUS

Meetings:

• The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's Spiny Dogfish Monitoring Committee met on October 29, 2009 in Providence, RI. and developed recommendations for the Councils to consider regarding the dogfish fishery specifications for the 2010 fishing year. The New England Council will approve 2010 specifications at this meeting (November 17-19). The Mid-Atlantic Council will approve the specifications at its December 8-10, 2009 meeting.

# **II. COUNCIL ACTION**

A. Approval of recommendations for spiny dogfish fishery specifications for the 2010 fishing year.

# **III. INFORMATION**

- 1. Dogfish Briefing Materials (Cover memo from MAFMC Staff to NEFMC, Nov. 4, 2009) A. (Page 2) Oct. SSC Minutes (includes Spiny dogfish ABC)
  - B. (Page 6) Report for SSC: Update on the Status of Spiny Dogfish in 2009 and Initial Evaluation of Alternative Harvest Strategies
  - C. (Page 40) Presentation to SSC on Spiny Dogfish Update
  - D. (Page 50) Staff Recommendations to SSC & Monitoring Committee
- 2. Final recommendations from the MAFMC Spiny Dogfish Monitoring Committee (will be distributed at the Council meeting following a November 13, 2009 Monitoring Committee Meeting conference call).