NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Multispecies (Groundfish) Committee

I. STATUS

- A. <u>Meetings</u>: The Multispecies Oversight Committee met January 18, 2007 to review the Amendment 16 scoping comments. A meeting summary is attached. The Recreational Advisory Panel met January 24, 2007; a meeting summary will be distributed.
- B. <u>Amendment 16 Scoping</u>: The Amendment 16 scoping period ended December 31, 2006. Scoping hearings were held in Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New York.

II. COUNCIL ACTION

A. Review and possible approval of Committee recommendations for standards and principles to be met by management alternatives that may be considered for the 2009 adjustment (Amendment 16).

III. MOTIONS

A. None.

IV. INFORMATION

- A. Groundfish Oversight Committee meeting summary, January 18, 2007
- B. Recreational Advisory Panel meeting summary, January 24, 2007 (to be distributed)
- C. Groundfish PDT Conference Call report
- D. Amendment 16 scoping comments
- E. US/CA quota monitoring
- F. Correspondence