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Meeting Notice GROUNDFISH OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2012

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Marriott Portland at Sable Oaks 200 Sable Oaks Drive, So. Portland, ME 04106 Phone: (207) 871-8000; Fax: (207) 871-7971

Agenda:

The Groundfish Oversight Committee will meet to discuss several issues related to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan. The Committee will:

- Receive an overview of the preliminary assessments results for Gulf of Maine cod. The Committee will discuss these results and may develop a recommendation to the Council on how to incorporate the results into management.
- The Committee will also begin work on two management actions that will be developed over the next year. First, the Committee will begin work on a framework adjustment to modify sector management provisions to improve sector operations. Second, the Committee will begin to address possible changes to the groundfish closed areas that will be incorporated into an omnibus habitat amendment.
- Other business.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. This schedule is subject to change. If you have questions, please call the Council office for final confirmation of meeting times, dates and locations.

Directions to hotel:

From the South: I-95 North to exit 45, take ramp right toward Maine Mall Rd toward Jetport after ¹/₄ mile, turn right onto Maine Mall Rd. for about ¹/₂ mile then turn left onto Running Hill Rd. Turn right onto Sable Oaks Dr.

From the North: I-95 South toward Kittery / Portland to exit 46, take ramp right. Turn right onto Skyway Dr. After ¼ mile turn right onto ME-9 / Western Ave. Turn right onto Maine Mall Rd. for ½ mile, turn right onto Running Hill Rd. Turn right onto Sable Oaks Dr