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Ms. Mary Beth Tooley Chairperson Scallop Committee New England Fishery Management Council 50 Water Street Newburyport, Massachusetts 01950

Dear Chairperson Tooley and Committee Members:

It seems that one segment of the scallop fleet desires to eliminate or cut back in some way another smaller segment of the scallop fleet.

I request the Committee NOT consider any revisiting of where and how the small dredge fleet was established in Amendment 4.

Respectfully,

Joseph Gilbert F/V Regulus F/V Furious