NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Scallops

I. STATUS

- A. Since the April 2011 Council meeting there has been one PDT meeting (May 4), one Advisory Panel meeting (May 5), and one Committee meeting (May 25).
- B. The proposed rule for Framework 22 was published on April 29, 2011, and comments are due before May 31, 2011.
- C. On June 1, 2011 NMFS published a temporary rule to close the Nantucket Lightship access area under emergency action.

II. COUNCIL ACTION

A. Review status of Framework 23 alternatives under consideration, no action required

III. INFORMATION

- 1. Draft Framework 23
- 2. Committee meeting summary, May 25
- 3. Staff presentation on Framework 23 (to be distributed).

Scallop related issues may come up under other agenda items at this meeting

- <u>Tuesday, June 21 at 2:30 pm</u> <u>Enforcement Committee Report</u> (Rodney Avila)
 Review of potential recommendations addressing some alternatives being considered for inclusion in Framework 23 to the Scallop FMP
- Wednesday, June 22, at 10:00am Groundfish Committee Report (Rip Cunningham)
 Update on Framework 47 to the Groundfish FMP, which includes alternatives to potentially modify the 10% bycatch TAC of YT flounder in the scallop access areas in Closed Area I, II and Nantucket Lightship