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Herring Management Area 1A Quota Harvested
Effective 0001 hours, October 27, 2011

The directed fishery for Atlantic herring is closed in Area 1A as of 0001 hours, October 27, 2011. Because the New Brunswick weir fishery landed less than 9,000 mt as of October 15, 2011, we are allocating an additional 3,000 mt to Area 1A. Taking into consideration the additional 3,000 mt in Area 1A, herring catch is projected to reach 95-percent of the Area 1A quota on October 27, 2011. Vessels issued Federal Atlantic herring permits may not fish for, catch, possess or land more than 2,000 lb of herring from Area 1A beginning 0001 hours on October 27, 2011, per trip or calendar day until December 31, 2011.

Federally permitted dealers may not purchase more than 2,000 lb of herring per vessel harvested from Area 1A from 0001 hours, October 27, 2011, per trip or calendar day until the start of the 2012 fishing year on January 1, 2012.

Vessels may transit or land Atlantic herring in Area 1A with more than 2,000 lb of Atlantic herring on board, as long as Atlantic herring were not caught in Area 1A, and all fishing gear aboard is stowed and not available for immediate use. On January 1, 2012, the quotas for Area 1A for the 2012 Atlantic herring fishing year will become available, and the directed fishery will re-open.

This small entity compliance guide complies with section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996.