AMENDMENT 1 TO THE NEFS II OPERATIONS PLAN

APPROVED BY THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE MARCH 6, 2013

EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 28, 2013, FOR THE 2012 FISHING YEAR

Exhibit C: Harvesting Rules

22. SECTOR SPECIFIC EXEMPTIONS: In addition to the Universal Exemptions granted to all Sectors, as referenced above and in §4.0 of 33 this Agreement, Members agree to abide by the following obligations as Authorized in their LOA, in order to utilize these Sector Specific Exemptions:

22.1 20 Day Spawning Block.
22.2 Prohibition on vessels hauling another vessel’s gillnet gear.
22.3 Length and horsepower restrictions of the DAS leasing program.
22.4 Gear Requirements in US/CA Management Area
22.5 Requirement to maintain VMS powered while at dock
22.6 6.5 inch (16.5 cm) codend minimum mesh size requirement for trawl gear utilizing a codend mesh size of 4.5 inch (11.4 cm) or greater by vessels on a targeted redfish trip in the GOM when either a NEFOP or ASM is present.
22.7 DSM Requirements for vessels fishing west of 72/30” Long
22.8 DSM requires for hand gear A permitted sector vessel
22.9 DSM requirement for monkfish trips in the monkfish SFMA
22.10 Requirement to declare intent to fish in the Eastern US/CA and CA II YT/Haddock SAP from the dock