

**NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**  
**Ecosystems Based Fishery Management Committee**

**I. STATUS**

- A. Example Fishery Ecosystem Plan (eFEP): The EBFM Plan Development Team (PDT) presented a catch advice framework and quantitative worked examples of harvest control rules, when the Committee met on September 12, 2017. The Committee provided new guidance to further develop the eFEP. The committee also received the final terms of reference for the independent peer review of the catch advice framework, being scheduled for late 2017 or early 2018.

**II. COUNCIL ACTION**

No action required.

**III. INFORMATION**

1. Presentation – Catch Advice Framework for an eFEP.
2. A Framework for Providing Catch Advice for a Prototype Georges Bank Fishery Ecosystem Plan
3. Ecosystem Based Fishery Management Strategy Review Summary
4. Ecosystem Based Fishery Management Strategy Review Terms of Reference
5. Committee meeting summary – September 12, 2017 (*to be distributed*)
6. Correspondence