

## New England Fishery Management Council

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## MEETING NOTICE SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEEE

Date: Wednesday, August 15, 2018

**Time:** 9:30 a.m.

**Location:** Hilton Garden Inn, Boston Logan

100 Boardman Street Boston, MA 02128 Phone: (617) 567-6789

## Agenda:

The SSC Committee will:

- Review recent stock assessment information from the U.S/Canada Transboundary Resource Assessment Committee and information provided by the Council's Groundfish Plan Development Team (PDT) and recommend the overfishing level (OFL) and acceptable biological catch (ABC) for Georges Bank yellowtail flounder for the 2019 and 2020 fishing years. The committee will also review the 2017 assessments of ocean pout, Georges Bank winter flounder, witch flounder, Northern windowpane flounder, and Southern New England/Mid-Atlantic yellowtail flounder and comment on the rebuilding alternatives under development to advise on the technical basis for the range of alternative rebuilding strategies developed by the PDT. These stocks are managed under the Northeast Multispecies (Groundfish) Fishery Management Plan.
- Discuss other business as necessary.

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cc: Groundfish IPs, AP & PDT Notice date: July 25, 2018

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