- 1. Introduction The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of NEFMC's Draft Example Fishery Ecosystem Plan (eFEP). This document will provide a review of the important elements of the eFEP and refer you to relevant sections of the eFEP for additional information.
- 2. Why was the eFEP developed?
  - a. NEFMC considering EBFM
  - b. eFEP lays out the reasoning, mechanics, and an example framework for EBFM for Georges Bank
- 3. What are the Goals and Objectives of the eFEP?(include references to the relevant portions of eFEP)
- 4. What are the dimensions of an EBFM plan?(broadly and GB specifically)(include references to the relevant portions of eFEP)
  - a. Geographical dimensions
    - i. EPUs
    - ii. Sub-units
    - iii. Why Georges Bank?
  - b. Harvest Dimensions
    - i. Ecosystem Ceilings
    - ii. Stock Complex Ceilings
    - iii. Species Floors
- 5. How it all comes together FEP framework (broadly and GB specifically) (include references to the relevant portions of eFEP)
  - a. Options for determining catch ceilings
  - b. Jurisdictional issues
  - c. Data sources and catch monitoring
- 6. The Management Strategy Evaluation Introduction and process (include references to the relevant portions of eFEP)
  - a. Data and the models
  - b. MSE occurs prior to FEP implementation and then periodically thereafter to assess performance.