NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Electronic Vessel Trip Reports

I. STATUS

- A. <u>Commercial Electronic Vessel Trip Report (eVTR) Framework</u>: The Council took final action on the Joint Commercial Electronic Vessel Trip Report Omnibus Framework in January 2020. The Mid-Atlantic and New England Fishery Management Councils submitted the framework to GARFO for review and approval on March 4, 2020.
- B. <u>For-Hire Electronic Vessel Trip Reports</u>: The Council will need to decide on the regulatory process, either a Council action of NMFS action under authority 305(d) of the M-S Act, to extend the use of eVTRs to New England for-hire vessels that are not currently subject to this requirement.

II. COUNCIL ACTION

Decide on the regulatory process for requiring all recreational for-hire (party/charter) vessels in New England to submit vessel trip reports electronically.

III. INFORMATION

- 1. Staff Presentation (to be distributed)
- 2. Letter from GARFO to NEFMC re: For-Hire eVTR