

NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
Groundfish Oversight Committee

I. STATUS

- A. Meetings: The Groundfish Oversight Committee met on January 23, 2014. The Chair will provide a report at the meeting, and copies of the motions will be provided. A meeting summary will be distributed at a future date. The Recreational Advisory Panel met on January 22, 2014. A meeting summary will be distributed at a future date. The Groundfish Plan Development Team (PDT) held a conference call on January 13, 2014.
- B. Amendment 18-Accumulation Limits/Fleet Diversity: On January 23, 2014, the Committee received a PDT report on work relative to this amendment, including an update on the Compass Lexecon analysis of excessive shares. The Committee made recommendations for the Council on whether and how to include potential measures in A18. The Council will consider these potential measures.
- C. Framework Adjustment 51: An initial draft of Framework Adjustment 51 was submitted on January 21, 2014. The final will be submitted in February 2014.
- D. Closed Area Technical Team (CATT)/Omnibus EFH Amendment 2: See Habitat Status Report.
- E. Yellowtail Flounder Report: See Tab 1.
- F. NEFSC Performance Report for the Northeast Groundfish Fishery – This report will be presented and distributed at this meeting under a separate agenda item.

II. COUNCIL ACTION

- A. Receive presentation of and discuss the FY2012 groundfish fishery performance report of the NEFSC/SSB.
- B. Consider Groundfish Committee recommendations on measures to include in Amendment 18.

III. INFORMATION

- 1. Recommendations for Excessive-Share Limits in the Northeast Multispecies Fishery, by Compass Lexecon, December 31, 2013
- 2. PDT memo to Groundfish Committee re A18, January 16, 2014
- 3. Amendment 18 discussion document, January 15, 2014
- 4. Presentation - 2012 Final Report on the Performance of the Northeast Multispecies Fishery, NEFSC/Social Science Branch, January 2014 (*to be distributed*)
- 5. Groundfish Oversight Committee meeting motions, January 23, 2014 (*to be distributed*)
- 6. Groundfish Catch Reports
- 7. Correspondence