

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council

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Mr. Michael Pentony Regional Administrator National Marine Fisheries Service Greater Atlantic Region 55 Great Republic Drive Gloucester, MA 01930-2276

Dear Mr. Pentony:

Attached please find a copy of the environmental assessment, regulatory impact review, and Regulatory Flexibility Act analysis for 2020-2021 specifications for scup and black sea bass. This constitutes the Council's formal submission of the recommended specifications for these species.

Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Christopher M. Moore Ph.D.

Executive Director

cc: Luisi, Elliott, Beaty, Coutre, Ruccio