

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

Dear Mike:

At its April 2020 meeting, the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council passed the following motion:

"Move that given the COVID-19 national emergency, to request the service consider an emergency action to allow a 5% rollover of unused IFQ 2020 quota allocation for the golden tilefish fishing year November 1, 2020 thru October 31, 2021."

Please call me or José Montañez of my staff if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D.

Executive Director

cc: M. Luisi, W. Elliott, S. Heins, J. Montañez, D. Potts