

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council

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Mr. Chris Oliver Assistant Administrator for NOAA Fisheries National Marine Fisheries Service 1315 East-West Highway Silver Spring, MD 20910

Dear Mr. Oliver:

The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council appreciates the opportunity to provide recommendations to reduce burdens on domestic fishing and increase production within sustainable fisheries as required under Section 4 of Executive Order 13921.

At the Council's October 2020 Meeting, the Council approved eighteen recommendations addressing a wide range of issues. These recommendations are organized in the six categories listed below (the number in parentheses indicates the number of recommendations in each category). Recommendations are prioritized within each of these categories.

- 1. U.S. Seafood Competitiveness and Trade Issues (3)
- 2. Offshore Wind Issues (2)
- 3. NOAA Policy (1)
- 4. Reporting and Permitting Issues (4)
- 5. Council Regulatory Actions (5)
- 6. Council Ongoing Initiatives (3)

We look forward to working with NOAA Fisheries and other agencies to implement these recommendations. Please contact me if you have questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D.

Executive Director

cc: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council

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