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Dear Possession in Excess Daily Limit Vessel License Holder: Permitted Summer Flounder or Black Sea Bass Dealer:

It is incumbent upon Possession in Excess Daily Limit Vessel License holders and any affiliated dealers to understand and comply with all requirements of the new law mandating this license. Any person who violates the provisions of N.J.S.A. 23:2B-24 shall be subject to the penalties as provided by N.J.A.S. 23:2B-14, which may include the suspension or revocation of the Possession in Excess of Daily Limit Vessel License.

Enclosed is a copy of the current statute N.J.S.A. 23:2B-24 Possession in Excess of Daily Limit Vessel License, as well as a summary outlining the requirements of the law. Please retain these documents for your reference.

Any person possessing more than the current New Jersey trip limit of black sea bass or summer flounder on a vessel transiting New Jersey waters shall hold a valid Possession in Excess Daily Limit Vessel License, and shall notify the Department accordingly, including the required notification information as a participant in the directed summer flounder and black sea bass fishery. Any such offloading may occur between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Notification shall be provided to the Department by phone at (609) 748-2050 or email at njdfwcommercialnotify@dep.nj.gov prior to entering New Jersey State waters and at least six hours prior to unloading the vessel.

Such notification shall include the following information:

- Name of vessel
- Time and place of unloading
- Trip number for the week (if applicable)
- Species and quantity of fish to be unloaded
- Hailing weight and destination of each species to be sold outside the State

Additional information is available on Division of Fish and Wildlife website at https://www.nj.gov/dep/fgw/marinelicenses.htm.

If you have any questions, please call the Marine Fisheries Administration licensing office at (609) 748-2020 or the Bureau of Law Enforcement's Marine Unit at (609) 748-2050.

Sincerely,

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