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Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) of the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held via webinar on Tuesday, April 30, 2013, from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via webinar with a telephone-only connection option. Details on webinar registration and telephone-only connection details are available at: http://www.mafmc.org.

<u>Council address</u>: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 North State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher M. Moore Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 526-5255.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will include a briefing on the 2013 surfclam benchmark stock assessment and ocean quahog stock assessment update; review information relevant to multi-year ABC recommendations for Illex squid, long-finned squid, and

Atlantic mackerel; and review updated assessment information for Atlantic butterfish.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group

for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action

will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after

publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-

Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the

Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign

language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to M. Jan Saunders at the Mid-

Atlantic Council Office, (302) 526-5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: April 9, 2013.

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Office of Sustainable Fisheries,

National Marine Fisheries Service.

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