

PART 1141—PROCEDURES TO CALCULATE INTEREST RATES

29. The authority citation for part 1141 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721.

PART 1144—INTRAMODAL RAIL COMPETITION

30. The authority citation for part 1144 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 10703, 10705, and 11102.

PART 1151—FEEDER LINE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

31. The authority citation for part 1151 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 10907.

PART 1177—RECORDATION OF DOCUMENTS

32. The authority citation for part 1177 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 11301.

PART 1184—MOTOR CARRIER POOLING OPERATIONS

33. The authority citation for part 1184 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 14302.

PART 1200—GENERAL ACCOUNTING REGULATIONS UNDER THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE ACT

34. The authority citation for part 1200 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 11142, 11143, 11144, 11145.

PART 1220—PRESERVATION OF RECORDS

35. The authority citation for part 1220 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 11144, 11145.

36. In section 1220.0, remove "Motor carriers and brokers," "Water carriers," and "Household goods freight forwarders."

PART 1242—SEPARATION OF COMMON OPERATING EXPENSES BETWEEN FREIGHT SERVICE AND PASSENGER SERVICE FOR RAILROADS

37. The citation for part 1242 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 11142.

PART 1243—QUARTERLY OPERATING REPORTS—RAILROADS

38. The authority citation for part 1243 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 11145.

PART 1244—WAYBILL ANALYSIS OF TRANSPORTATION OF PROPERTY—RAILROADS

39. The authority citation for part 1244 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 10707, 11144, 11145.

PART 1245—CLASSIFICATION OF RAILROAD EMPLOYEES; REPORTS OF SERVICE AND COMPENSATION

40. The authority citation for part 1245 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 11145.

PART 1246—NUMBER OF RAILROAD EMPLOYEES

41. The authority citation for part 1246 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 11145.

PART 1248—FREIGHT COMMODITY STATISTICS

42. The authority citation for part 1248, subpart A is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 11144, 11145.

43. The authority citation for part 1248, subpart B is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 11144, 11145.

PART 1253—RATE-MAKING ORGANIZATION; RECORDS AND REPORTS

44. The authority citation for part 1253 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 10706, 13703, 11144, and 11145.

PART 1302—EXPORT AND IMPORT SHIPMENTS; RAILROADS

45. The authority citation for part 1302 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 884.

PART 1331—APPLICATIONS UNDER 49 U.S.C. 10706 AND 13703

46. The authority citation for part 1331 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 721, 10706, 13703.

47. The heading for part 1331 is revised to read as set forth above.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****50 CFR Part 648**

[Docket No. 961210346-7035-02; I.D. 092297B]

Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Commercial Quota Harvested for New Jersey

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

ACTION: Commercial quota harvest.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces that the summer flounder commercial quota available to the State of New Jersey has been harvested. Vessels issued a commercial Federal fisheries permit for the summer flounder fishery may not land summer flounder in New Jersey for the remainder of calendar year 1997, unless additional quota becomes available through a transfer. Regulations governing the summer flounder fishery require publication of this notice to advise the State of New Jersey that the quota has been harvested and to advise vessel and dealer permit holders that no commercial quota is available for landing summer flounder in New Jersey. **DATES:** Effective 0001 hours September 24, 1997, through December 31, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dana Hartley, Fishery Management Specialist, 978-281-9226.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Regulations governing the summer flounder fishery are found at 50 CFR part 648. The regulations require annual specification of a commercial quota that is apportioned among the states from North Carolina through Maine. The process to set the annual commercial quota and the percentage allocated to each state are described in § 648.100.

The initial total commercial quota for summer flounder for the 1997 calendar year was set equal to 11,111,298 lb (5,040,000 kg) (March 7, 1997, 62 FR 10473). The percentage allocated to vessels landing summer flounder in New Jersey is 16.72499 percent, or 1,858,363 lb (842,939 kg) for 1997.

Section 648.100(d)(2) stipulates that any overages of commercial quota landed in any state be deducted from that state's annual quota for the following year. In the calendar year 1996, a total of 2,369,134 lb (1,074,621 kg) were landed in New Jersey. The amount allocated for New Jersey landings in 1996 was 1,858,363 lb

(842,939 kg), creating a 510,771 lb (231,682 kg) overage that was deducted from the amount allocated for landings in that State during 1997 (July 15, 1997, 62 FR 37741). The resulting 1997 quota for New Jersey is 1,347,592 lb (611,257 kg).

Section 648.101(b) requires the Administrator, Northeast Region, NMFS (Regional Administrator), to monitor state commercial quotas and to determine when a state's commercial quota is harvested. The Regional Administrator is further required to publish a notice in the **Federal Register** advising a state and notifying Federal vessel and dealer permit holders that, effective upon a specific date, the state's commercial quota has been harvested and no commercial quota is available for landing summer flounder in that state. Because the available information

indicates that the State of New Jersey has attained its quota for 1997, the Regional Administrator has determined based on dealer reports and other available information, that the State's commercial quota has been harvested.

The regulations at § 648.4(b) provide that Federal permit holders agree as a condition of the permit not to land summer flounder in any state that the Regional Administrator has determined no longer has commercial quota available. Therefore, effective 0001 hours September 24, 1997, further landings of summer flounder in New Jersey by vessels holding commercial Federal fisheries permits are prohibited for the remainder of the 1997 calendar year, unless additional quota becomes available through a transfer and is announced in the **Federal Register**. Effective on September 24, 1997,

federally permitted dealers are also advised that they may not purchase summer flounder from federally permitted vessels that land in New Jersey for the remainder of the calendar year, or until additional quota becomes available through a transfer.

Classification

This action is required by 50 CFR part 648 and is exempt from review under E.O. 12286.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: September 22, 1997.

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