For the reasons set out in the preamble, 50 CFR part 622 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 622--FISHERIES OF THE CARIBBEAN, GULF OF MEXICO, AND SOUTH ATLANTIC

 The authority citation for part 622 continues to read as follows:

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

2. In § 622.278, paragraph (a) is revised to read as follows:

§ 622.278 Commercial trip limits.

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(a) Trip-limited permits. (1) Atlantic wahoo. (i) The trip limit for wahoo in or from the Atlantic EEZ is 500 lb (227 kg). This trip limit applies to a vessel that has a Federal commercial permit for Atlantic dolphin and wahoo, provided that the vessel is not operating as a charter vessel or headboat.

(ii) See § 622.280(b)(1) for the limitations regarding wahoo after the ACL is reached.

(2) The trip limit for a vessel that does not have a Federal commercial vessel permit for Atlantic dolphin and wahoo but has a Federal commercial vessel permit in any other fishery is 200 lb (91 kg) of dolphin and wahoo, combined, provided that all fishing on and landings from **Comment [SS1]:** paragraph (a) was restructured for format and consistency. The current wahoo and CH/HB trip limits have not changed in either (1) or (2).

that trip are north of 39° N. lat. (A charter vessel/headboat permit is not a commercial vessel permit.)

(3) Atlantic dolphin. (i) Once xx percent of the ACL specified in § 622.280(a)(1)(i) is reached--x,xxx lb (xxx kg). When the conditions in this paragraph (a)(3)(i) have been met, the Assistant Administrator will implement this trip limit by filing a notification with the Office of the Federal Register. This trip limit applies to a vessel that has a Federal commercial permit for Atlantic dolphin and wahoo, provided that the vessel is not operating as a charter vessel or headboat.

(ii) See § 622.280(a)(1) for the limitations regarding dolphin after the ACL is reached.

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Comment [SS2]: Action 1, no preferred alternative for trip limit trigger. Comment [SS3]: Action 1, no preferred for dolphin trip limit.