SUMMARY REPORT FROM THE ADVISORY PANEL COMMITTEE MEETING (CLOSED SESSION)

Orlando, FL June 9, 2008

The Advisory Panel Selection Committee reviewed applications for openings on the Golden Crab Advisory Panel, the Habitat and Environmental Protection Advisory Panel, the Information and Education Advisory Panel, the King and Spanish Mackerel Advisory Panel, the Deepwater Shrimp Advisory Panel, and the Snapper Grouper Advisory Panel.

The Committee noted that Dr. Chuck Manooch on the Habitat AP did not wish to be reappointed and an At-Large Scientist seat should be readvertised. The Committee acknowledged the appointment of Anne Deaton, Chief of the Habitat Protection Section for the NC Division of Marine Fisheries as their representative on the NC Subpanel of the Habitat AP. In addition, the Committee acknowledged Dr. John Galvez as the USFWS representative on the Florida sub-panel and recommended a letter of appreciation be sent to the USFWS thanking them for Dr. Galvez's appointment and requesting they fill the other appointment to the Habitat Advisory Panel.

The Committee also acknowledged moving Kurtis Gregg's seat on the Coral AP as a representative of the South Florida Water Conservation District to the Habitat AP, and the appointment of Michael Callahan, associate research scientist, as the FL Fish and Wildlife Research Institute's representative on the Coral AP (replacing Jennifer Wheaton). The Committee asked that a letter be sent to the NMFS Beaufort Lab requesting participation on the Habitat AP.

The Committee acknowledged the appointment of Kim Amendola as the NMFS Southeast Regional Office representative on the Information and Education Advisory Panel.

The Committee recommended readvertising two open seats on the Deepwater Shrimp Advisory Panel (to replace Toby Saylors and Sam Vona); and readvertise the Georgia Recreational Seat on the King and Spanish Mackerel AP.

The Committee approved the following motions:

MOTION #1 APPOINT RANDY MANCHESTER TO THE GOLDEN CRAB AP.

MOTION #2

REAPPOINT KATHI HARRINGTON, JOHN DUREN, SUSAN HILFER, JENKINS MIKELL, JR., CAMERON SEBASTIAN, AND JAMES HARVEY TO THE HABITAT AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AP.

MOTION #3

APPOINT DR. ROBERT GEORGE (AT-LARGE SCIENTIST SEAT), JEFF CRAMER (FL COMMERCIAL SEAT), AND MARK CARTER (FL RECREATIONAL SEAT) TO THE HABITAT AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTON AP.

MOTION #4

REAPPOINT CHRIS WOODWARD, NANCY FISH, SUZI DURANT, PAMELA FLETCHER AND ELIZABETH VONKOLONITZ TO THE INFORMATION AND EDUCATION AP.

MOTION #5

REAPPOINT DICK BRAME, PAUL DUNN, JODIE GAY, CARL ERICKSON AND RONNIE HOUCK TO THE KING AND SPANISH MACKEREL AP.

MOTION #6

APPOINT TIM ADAMS TO THE KING AND SPANISH MACKEREL AP.

MOTION #7

REAPPOINT FRED DENNIS, JAKE FLOWERS, WARREN GAUTIER, TONY HERRING, MARILYN SOLORZANO, JOHN WILLIAMS, AND STEVEN WILSON TO THE DEEPWATER SHRIMP AP.

MOTION #8

APPOINT LAURILEE THOMPSON TO THE DEEPWATER SHRIMP AP.

MOTION #9

REAPPOINT PHIL CONKLIN, BO STOKES, CHARLIE PHILLIPS, GREG DEBRANGO, AND PAUL REISS TO THE SNAPPER GROUPER AP.

MOTION #10

CREATE A NEW CONSERVATION/NGO SEAT ON THE SNAPPER GROUPER ADVISORY PANEL.

MOTION #11

APPOINT EILEEN DOUGHERTY AND ELIZABETH FEATHERSTON TO THE SNAPPER GROUPER ADVISORY PANEL.

MOTION #12

CREATE A NEW SC FOR-HIRE/CHARTER SEAT AND ADVERTISE OPEN SEAT.