

**FINAL SUMMARY REPORT  
ADVISORY PANEL SELECTION COMMITTEE**

**Atlantic Beach, NC  
December 5, 2016**

The Advisory Panel Selection Committee met December 5, 2016. The committee met in closed session to review applications for seats on the SEDAR Pool relative to upcoming stock assessments for blueline tilefish and black grouper and provided recommendations for appointments to the Council.

The committee met in open session to review options for a System Management Plan Advisory Panel/Workgroup as outlined in the options paper. The committee discussed options and expressed concerns about the costs associated creating a new advisory panel considering budget limitations for 2017, the effectiveness of having a large advisory panel/workgroup, and best approaches. The committee generally agreed that additional consideration should be given to the structure and membership of an advisory body for the System Management Plan and that a workgroup or sub-regional approach (Carolinas/GA separate from Florida) for advisory panels be considered. The committee deferred additional discussion to the Executive Finance Committee.

**The Committee approved the following motion as recommendations to the Council:**

**MOTION 1: APPOINT YURI VAKSELIS AND LEE LAVERY TO THE SEDAR POOL  
(CONTINGENT UPON A NOAA OLE BACKGROUND CHECK).**

**APPROVED BY COUNCIL**

**DIRECTION TO STAFF:**

- Remove Nikolai Klibansky from the SEDAR Pool as he is now a NOAA Fisheries employee.
- Continue to receive input from the Executive/Finance Committee.