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MEMORANDUM

TO: Robert Mahood, Executive Director, SAFMC
FROM: Julie A. Neer, SEDAR Coordinator
DATE: January 12, 2010
RE: Council appointees for SEDAR 23, Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic Goliath Grouper

SEDAR 23 will assess the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic stock of goliath grouper. Workshop dates are: Data Workshop, April 26 – 30, 2010; Assessment Workshop, August 2-6, 2010; and SSC Review Workshop, November 15 - 19, 2010. Data and Assessment workshops will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Monday and conclude by 1:00 p.m. on Friday. The Review workshop will occupy approximately three days during the review week.

As the State of Florida is responsible for the assessment, they will be responsible for contacting the data and assessment scientists they deem necessary for the successful completion of the assessment. SEDAR will be providing support for a small number of Council representatives to participate and observe the process.

Therefore, I am requesting the appointment of the following participants for the Data and Assessment Panels associated with SEDAR 23.

Data Workshop Panel: 1 Council representative, 1 SSC member, 1 AP member

Assessment Workshop: 1 Council representative, 1 SSC member, 1 AP member

I would appreciate it if this matter could be included for discussion at your March 2010 Council meeting. Please inform me of the results of your consideration by March 12, 2010.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Julie A Neer