

Council Sustainable Certification Motions

The following NEFMC version was approved by a vote of 16-0:

That the Council recommend to add to the list of reauthorization priorities the need for a sustainable certification that would authorize NMFS to provide the U.S. industry with a sustainable certification program and certification mark, which would provide the industry with the ability to promote and sell its seafood products, in both domestic and export markets, as sustainable based upon the requirements of the Act.

The MAFMC version was approved by a vote of 18-0:

That the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council recommend to the organizers of the Managing our Nations Fisheries 3 (MONF3) conference that an important amendment to the MSA would authorize the National Marine Fisheries Service to provide the U.S. industry with a Sustainability Certification Program and Certification Mark, which would provide the industry with the ability to promote and sell its seafood products, in both domestic and export markets, as sustainable based upon the requirements of the Act.