DRAFT SUMMARY REPORT FROM THE CATCH SHARES COMMITTEE MEETING SAVANNAH, GA March 8, 2012

The Catch Shares Committee met on March 8, 2012, in Savannah, GA. The Committee received a presentation on Voluntary Individual Fishing Quota Program for several species in the Snapper Grouper complex in the South Atlantic by representatives of the South Atlantic Fishermen's Association (SAFA).

The Committee made the following motions:

MOTION#1: MOVE THAT THE COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE COUNCIL INITIATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN AMENDMENT TO INSTITUTE A VOLUNTARY IFQ PROGRAM BASED ON THE PROPOSAL OFFERED BY THE SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERMAN'S ASSOCIATION DISAPPROVED BY COMMITTEE

MOTION#2: THE COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE COUNCIL INITIATE ANALYSIS OF THE SAFA'S PROPOSAL FOR A VOLUNTARY IFQ PROGRAM APPROVED BY COMMITTEE