SUMMARY REPORT FROM THE LAP PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING Charleston, South Carolina Thursday, September 18, 2008

The LAP Program Committee met on September 18th, 2008 in Charleston, South Carolina.

The Committee

- Held a closed session to recommend individuals to the Golden Tilefish LAP Workgroup;
- Heard a presentation from Council staff on the Wreckfish ITQ. The presentation included information about landings, participation, ex-vessel price, shareholder and coupon exchanges, distribution of share holdings, and administrative cost;
- Heard an overview from Monica Smit-Brunello on monitoring requirements for LAP programs by NMFS;
- Heard a presentation from Gregg Swanson on the results of a survey administered to the Snapper Grouper LAP Workgroup; and
- Discussed the timeline of Golden Tilefish LAP Workgroup meetings.

The Committee made the following motions:

Motion 1. Recommend that the following individuals be named to the Golden Tilefish LAP Workgroup:

Matt Ruby Steve Shelley Bob Preston Joe Klosterman Chris Connell Willy Gonzalez Donald Sawyer Chad Lee

Boyles/Cupka Motion Carries

The Committee provided the following guidance to staff:

- 1. Invite John Whitehead, Sherry Larkin, and Scott Crosson to observe and participate in LAP Workgroup discussions at their own expense.
- 2. Notify the Mid-Atlantic Council and Mid-Atlantic fishermen interested in serving on the Golden Tilefish LAP Workgroup of the status of the LAP Workgroup and invite their participation.

Suggestions from the LAP Committee regarding Golden Tilefish Workgroup meetings

- a. Meet when fiscally possible one meeting this Fall
- b. Arrange meetings when convenient for fishermen, when possible
- c. Perhaps hold a meeting at the December Council meeting