

March 5, 2008

Mr. George Geiger Chairman, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council 4055 Faber Place Suite 201 North Charleston, South Carolina 29405

Attn: Robert Mahood

Dear Bob and George:

I apologize that I must be absent from the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council committee meetings and full Council meeting on Thursday, March 6, 2008. Spud Woodward, who is already my designated proxy, will attend most of the Thursday meetings in my stead. However, Mr. Woodward has a schedule conflict with the Shrimp Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday morning, March 6th, 10:00 - noon.

I am writing to designate Patrick J. Geer as my meeting – specific proxy for Thursday's Shrimp Committee meeting. Mr. Geer represented our agency on the rock shrimp appeals panel and is familiar with this fishery.

Thank you for your understanding, and I do apologize for having to miss Thursday's deliberations. I look forward to rejoining you Friday morning for the conclusion of the Council meeting on Jekyll Island.

Sincerely,

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