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MEMORANDUM TO: Roy E. Crabtree, Ph.D.

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Science Director

SUBJECT: SEFSC Certification of the Exempted Fishing Permit Application of

the North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries

The Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC) reviewed the Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) application of the North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries to conduct "Life History Data Collection of Blueline Tilefish in North Carolina (North of Cape Hatteras)."

The SEFSC certify that this application contains all necessary information and constitutes an activity appropriate for further consideration.

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