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Mr. Robert Mahood  
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South Atlantic Fishery Management Council  
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Dear Mr. Mahood,

Please find attached the June 6, 2013 follow-up report, "Revised P\* Projections and Associated Analyses for South Atlantic Spanish Mackerel SEDAR 28 Stock Assessment," as per your earlier request and discussion with Dr. Erik Williams.

The above report corrects the error in the processing of the output of the projection code. As a result of this error, the discards were being calculated in the output without accounting for discard mortality. Unfortunately, the same error exists in the projection tables that are in the stock assessment report (Tables 3.13 and 3.14). A correction for these tables is being prepared and will be sent out soon.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Erik Williams at (252) 728-8603.

Very truly yours,

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