OVERVIEW SEDAR Committee December 2014

Items to be addressed at this meeting: SEDAR activities update & Steering Committee recommendations.

1. <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u>

2. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

The Committee last met June 2014.

3. <u>SEDAR AND ASSESSMENT ACTIVITIES</u>

Attachment 1 provides a report on the October SEDAR Steering Committee meeting.

Highlighted Steering Committee Actions

- Approved a streamlined assessment process structured around 3 webinars, with specific milestones for each.
- Reiterated that follow-up assessments will be conducted through the update approach. Cooperators are responsible for justifying application of benchmark or standard assessment approaches for follow-up assessments.
- Approved assessment projects for 2016 and priorities for 2017. South Atlantic assessments are shown in the table below. The request to shift the SEDAR 41 terminal year of data to 2014 was approved.

SEDAR 41 (Attachment 2): SEDAR 41 will be delayed one year so that headboat reporting issues can be examined and resolved, and an additional year of data added. A revised schedule is offered for approval. Once approved, participants will be contacted to determine availability for the new schedule. Any replacement appointments will be considered at the March 2015 meeting.

ACTION

- Approve the revised SEDAR 41 schedule
- Review 2017 stock assessments priorities
- Recommend 2018 and beyond assessment priorities

Plan	SEDAR	Stocks	Туре	Terminal	Assessment
Year	#			Data	Complete
2013	U	Mutton snapper	Update	2012	April 2015
2014	37	Hogfish	Benchmark	2013	September 2014
	38	King mackerel	Benchmark	2012	September 2014
2015	41	Red snapper & Gray triggerfish	Benchmark	2014	April 2016
	U	Red grouper	Update	2014	April 2016
2016	U	Blueline tilefish	Update	2015	Jan 2017
	S/B	Black grouper	TBD	2014	TBD
	Future Priorities – 2017 and Beyond				
2017	U	Tilefish (maybe in 2016)	Update	2015	TBD
	В	Scamp & Gray snapper 2017	Benchmark		
	U	Vermilion, GAJ 2017	Update		
	S/B	Yellowtail Snapper 2017	S/B	2016	Mid-2018

 Table 1. SEDAR Assessment Projects currently scheduled for the South Atlantic.

4. <u>SEDAR STEERING COMMITTEE GUIDANCE</u>

The next Steering Committee meeting will be in late Winter or Early Spring 2015 via webinar. Discussion topics will include the SEDAR schedule including 2016 priorities and a review of the SEDAR SOPPS.

ACTION

• Provide guidance on steering committee topics

5. <u>OTHER BUSINESS</u>

6. <u>ADJOURN</u>