OCEAN TRAWL- SOUTHERN FISH TRAWL INDEPENDENT ALLOCATION PANEL c/o The IAP, Grant Thornton Level 17, 383 Kent Street, Sydney 2000

Monday 30th April 2018

Re: Draft Report for Ocean Trawl – Southern Fish Trawl

Dear Fishing Business Owners,

A copy of this communication can be found at www.grantthornton.com.au/IAP.

Please be advised that draft reports for Ocean Trawl – Southern Fish Trawl is now available.

Physical copies of the draft reports have been sent out via post to all Fishing Business License Owners. Electronic copies of the report can be found at: www.grantthornton.com.au/IAP.

The Independent Allocation Panel is now inviting comment and feedback on the draft report. Please send all written submissions to iap@au.gt.com or Independent Allocation Panel, c/o The IAP, Grant Thornton Level 17, 383 Kent Street, Sydney 2000.

Submissions for the draft report for Ocean Trawl – Southern Fish Trawl will close at **5pm** on the **21**st of May.

This deadline has been set to ensure we are able to provide timely advice to the Minister of Primary Industries and allow fishermen to have more clarity on the future direction of the fisheries as soon as possible. As such, submissions provided after the 21st of May will not be considered when preparing the final report. Please ensure submissions are provided prior to 5pm on the 21st of May as there will be absolutely no extensions to this deadline.

The Panel would like to thank all the Fishing Business Owners who took the time to attend consultations and provide submissions. Your input was invaluable to the drafting of the report.

We have attached a copy of the timeline for the IAP process below.

For copies of the Terms of Reference please visit https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fishing/commercial/reform/independent-allocation-panel.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Daryl McPhee

Susan Madden

Brett McCallum

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Please find below the timeline for the Independent Allocation Panel to provide advice to the NSW Government on species shares for Ocean Trap & Line – Line Eastern Zone, Ocean Haul – Purse Seine Net, Ocean Trawl - Fish Northern Zone and Inshore and Offshore Prawn, Estuary General – Hand Gathering and Southern Fish Trawl.

14TH DECEMBER 2017

Consultations for all fisheries excluding Southern Fish Trawl began. The Panel conducted consultations in Sydney, Wollongong, Newcastle, Yamba, Coffs Harbour, Port Macquarie, Eden, Bermagui and Ballina.



23RD FEBRUARY 2018

Written submissions to the Panel close for all fisheries excluding Southern Fish Trawl close.



Consultations for the Southern Fish Trawl begin. The Panel visited Nowra, Sydney and spoke with those in Eden/Bermagui.



Written submissions for the Southern Fish Trawl close.

16TH APRIL 2018

Draft report and recommendations for all fisheries excluding Southern Fish Trawl to be circulated for stakeholder feedback.

30TH APRIL 2018

Draft report and recommendations for Southern Fish Trawl to be circulated for stakeholder feedback.



7TH MAY 2018

Written submissions to the draft report for all fisheries excluding the Southern Fish Trawl close.

21 MAY 2018

Written submissions to the draft report for the Southern Fish Trawl close.



1ST JUNE 2018

Final report for all fisheries excluding Southern Fish Trawl to be provided to the Minister for Primary Industries.

29TH JUNE 2018



Final report for the Southern Fish Trawl to be provided to the Minister for Primary Industries.





