Overview

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Compliance

• Requirements
  – Recreational possession limit 15-fish
  – Restrict the commercial fishery to the quota
  – Monitor commercial and recreational fishery
  – Vessel & Dealer permitting requirements
  – Addendum I (2012): Biological Sampling Program
  – Annual compliance reporting

• All states and jurisdictions have met the requirements of the FMP in 2016.
Addendum I: Bio Sampling Program

Purpose: improve age and length data used in stock assessment

Requirement: collect a min. of 100 samples
- 50 from January-June, 50 from July-December

CT and RI noted difficulties collecting samples before July due to lack of availability

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Addendum I: Sampling Effort Results, 2016

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• State commercial landings < 0.1% of coastwide landings
• South Carolina and Georgia have requested *de minimis* status for 2017
• The PRT finds SC and GA meet the requirements for *de minimis* status
• Questions?