REPORT OF THE AD HOC VESSEL MONITORING SYSTEM COMMITTEE

The Ad Hoc Vessel Monitoring System (VMS) Committee met on October 11, 2002 to discuss VMS alternatives. Only three industry members were able to attend, those representing California fixed gear vessels, Oregon trawlers, and seafood processors. However, the committee was able to have fruitful discussions and provided useful comments to those drafting the alternatives and regulatory package. Committee guidance and concerns are provided in the attached summary minutes. It is the committee's understanding that a draft set of alternatives will be provided to the Council at its November meeting.

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