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Mr. William Stelle
Regional Administrator, West Coast Region
National Marine Fisheries Service
7600 Sand Point Way NE
Seattle, WA 98115
Attn: Frank Lockhart

Re: Catcher Processor Sector Fishery Notice

Dear Mr. Stelle:

This letter will serve as a "cease fishing report" pursuant to 50 CFR 660.160 (c)(5). The participants in the catcher-processor sector of the Pacific whiting fishery shall cease fishing for whiting for the remainder of the 2014 calendar year at such time as (1) the participants have harvested all whiting quota made available to the catcher-processor sector (including any reapportionments from the tribal whiting allocation) or (2) upon the harvest of a total of 6.0 metric tons of darkblotched rockfish plus any additional darkblotched rockfish allocated to the catcher-processor sector after the date of this letter, whichever occurs first. Therefore, the catcher-processor sector does not intend to harvest 3.0 metric tons of darkblotched rockfish from its current allocation, and per the regulations at 50 CFR 660.160 (c)(5), NMFS may redistribute this 3.0 metric tons of darkblotched rockfish to the mothership sector.

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Waldeck
Executive Director

CC Frank Lockhart, NMFS
Bob Turner, NMFS
Don McIsaac, PFMC
Dorothy Lowman, PFMC Chair