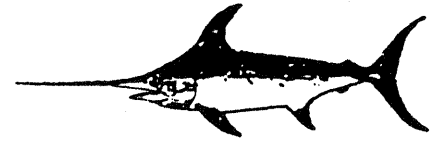


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Dear Mr. Anderson,

I want to thank you for the kind words; I wish you could have voted for my E.F.P. I'm sure if you knew all the facts it would have made it easier for you.

You commented Dr. Squires said my E.F.P. had nothing to do with Gillnets. You must not have understood him, (or he didn't understand your question); on the contrary, it has a lot to do with it. Of the 131 HMS permit Drift Gillnet endorsements, 54% (71) also have longline endorsements. Clearly, Drift Gillnet fishermen are very interested in pelagic longlining, and my E.F.P. has everything to do with Gillnets. Anyone with knowledge of Pelagic fishing, (like Dr. Fox and Dr. Rebecca Lent), know longlining is a much cleaner and safer fishery than Gillnetting. Having fished both fisheries, I changed my F/V Ventura II from a Gill-netter to a Longliner having experienced the difference in bycatch between the two fisheries.

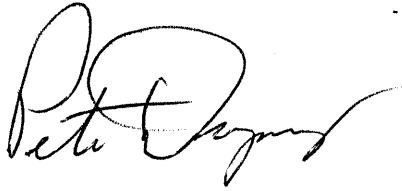
You would think if a Gill-netter wanted to change to a longliner you would want to encourage it, not make a law against it. I listened to the reasons for the NO votes and none of them made any sense to me. Evidently they had inaccurate facts. The environmental, scientific and commercial communities and N.M.F.S. did not speak against my E.F.P. The only people who spoke against it were the rich and powerful sport fishermen and sport entities on the Council. They have their own selfish reasons that don't do justice to the American people.

Between the Council and NMFS being influenced by the environmentalists and sport fishermen there is virtually no renewable pelagic fishery left. They have given them all to foreign nations. NMFS has finally started to realize this but the Council still has its head in the sand.

After hearing what you and Marija Vojkovich said I felt that if you had all the information it could have gone the other way.

I'm just a small, poor fisherman with no clout, but I have a good plan. Maybe you can tell me where I went wrong.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pete Dupuy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and "D".

Pete Dupuy

cc: Dale Squires  
Bill Fox  
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