

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council

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Katie Almeida The Town Dock 45 State Street, PO Box 608 Narragansett, RI 02882

Dear Katie,

Please accept this letter of support from the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council regarding your project entitled "Piloting a Low-Bycatch Commercial Squid Jig Fishery in Southern New England." The project's objectives appear relevant to the sustainable management of the longfin squid fishery, and we hope that you can secure funding to undertake the project. Please keep us apprised of any results. Also, per your request, Jason Didden is available to serve as an adjunct collaborator to help provide additional Council perspective for this project should it be funded.

Sincerely,

Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D. Executive Director

cc: M. Luisi, W. Elliott, J. Didden