(b) In any future proceeding arising under section 222(e) of the Communications Act or § 64.2309, the burden of proof will be on the carrier to the extent it seeks a rate exceeding \$0.04 per listing for base file subscriber list information or \$0.06 per listing for updated subscriber list information.

§ 64.2337 Directory publishing purposes.

- (a) Except to the extent the carrier and directory publisher otherwise agree, a directory publisher shall use subscriber list information obtained pursuant to section 222(e) of the Communications Act or § 64.2309 only for the purpose of publishing directories.
- (b) A directory publisher uses subscriber list information "for the purpose of publishing directories" if the publisher includes that information in a directory, or uses that information to determine what information should be included in a directory, solicit advertisers for a directory, or deliver directories.
- (c) A telecommunications carrier may require any person requesting subscriber list information pursuant to section 222(e) of the Communications Act or § 64.2309 to certify that the publisher will use the information only for purposes of publishing a directory.
- (d) A carrier must provide subscriber list information to a requesting directory publisher even if the carrier believes that the directory publisher will use that information for purposes other than or in addition to directory publishing.

§ 64.2341 Record keeping.

- (a) A telecommunications carrier must retain, for at least one year after its expiration, each written contract that it has executed for the provision of subscriber list information for directory publishing purposes to itself, an affiliate, or an entity that publishes directories on the carrier's behalf.
- (b) A telecommunications carrier must maintain, for at least one year after the carrier provides subscriber list information for directory publishing purposes to itself, an affiliate, or an entity that publishes directories on the carrier's behalf, records of any of its rates, terms, and conditions for providing that subscriber list information which are not set forth in a written contract.
- (c) A carrier shall make the contracts and records described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section available, upon request, to the Commission and to any directory publisher that requests those contracts and records for the purpose of publishing a directory.

§ 64.2345 Primary advertising classification.

A primary advertising classification is assigned at the time of the establishment of telephone exchange service if the carrier that provides telephone exchange service assigns the classification or if a tariff or State requirement obligates the carrier to provide yellow pages listings as part of telephone exchange service to businesses.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 635

[I.D. 092299D]

Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Fisheries; Large Coastal Shark Fishery; Season Adjustments

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Postponement of closure; fishing season notification.

SUMMARY: NMFS has determined that the large coastal shark (LCS) commercial fishery quota for the second semiannual fishing season has not been reached. Therefore, NMFS notifies eligible participants that the commercial fishery for LCS in the Western North Atlantic Ocean, including the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea, which was scheduled to close September 30, 1999, at 11:30 p.m. local time, has been extended to October 15, 1999, at 11:30 p.m. local time. Both the ridgeback and non-ridgeback sectors of the LCS fishery will remain open until the issued closure date. This action is necessary to ensure adequate opportunity for eligible fishery participants to harvest the available quota and to ensure that the adjusted semiannual quota for LCS for the period July 1 through December 31, 1999, is not exceeded.

DATES: The commercial fishery for LCS will close on October 15, 1999, at 11:30 p.m. local time and will remain closed through December 31, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margo Schulze or Steve Meyers, 301-713-2347; fax 301-713-1917.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Atlantic shark fishery is managed under the Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Tunas, Swordfish, and Sharks

(HMS FMP), and its implementing regulations found at 50 CFR part 635 issued under authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.).

On June 30, 1999, the NMFS received a Court Order from Judge Steven D. Merryday relative to the May, 1997, lawsuit challenging commercial harvest quotas for Atlantic sharks. Specifically, the court forbid NMFS from enforcing the 1999 regulations, 64 FR 29090 (May, 28, 1999) on Atlantic shark commercial catch quotas and fish-counting methods (including the counting of dead discards and state commercial landings after federal closures) that are different from the quotas and fish counting methods prescribed by the 1997 Atlantic shark regulations, 62 FR 16648 (April 7, 1997). Therefore, the LCS quota reverted to its 1997 level of 1,285 metric tons dressed weight (all species of LCS included), with no minimum size on ridgeback LCS, the pelagic and small coastal shark quotas also revert to their 1997 levels, the 1997 prohibited species list now applies in commercial fisheries only (five prohibited species: white, basking, whale, sand tiger and bigeye sand tiger). The limited access provisions do still apply, however, including trip limits for directed and incidental shark permit holders.

The annual commercial quota of LCS to be harvested from Atlantic, Caribbean, and Gulf of Mexico waters is apportioned between two equal semiannual fishing seasons. The second semiannual quota for LCS of 642 metric tons dressed weight (mt dw) was reduced by the overharvest of 57 mt dw in the first semiannual fishing season such that 585 mt dw were available for harvest for the semiannual period beginning July 1, 1999. The second semiannual fishing season was opened July 1, 1999 and closed on July 28, 1999 (64 FR 37883, July 14, 1999), with 306.5 mt dw of the LCS quota remaining unharvested. On September 1, 1999, the fishing season was again opened through September 30, 1999 (64 FR 47713, September 1, 1999) to allow fishing participants to harvest the remaining quota.

Dealer reports and state landings summaries for the period July 1 through September 15, 1999, indicate that approximately 375 mt dw of the available second semiannual LCS subquota of 585 mt dw have been harvested. Given a catch rate of approximately 62.5 mt dw per week, NMFS believes that the available quota of 210 mt dw should be attained by October 15, 1999. Extending the season for 2 more weeks should allow adequate

opportunity for fishermen to harvest the available quota but will ensure that the quota is not exceeded. Therefore, the LCS commercial fishery will be extended to October 15, 1999, at 11:30 pm local time, and will afterwards remain closed through December 31, 1999.

During a closure, retention of, fishing for, possessing or selling LCS are prohibited for persons fishing aboard vessels issued a limited access permit under 50 CFR 635.4. After October 15, 1999, the sale, purchase, trade, or barter of carcasses and/or fins of LCS harvested by a person aboard a vessel that has been issued a permit under 50 CFR 635.4 are prohibited, except that possession is authorized for LCS that were harvested, offloaded, and sold prior to the closure and that were held in storage by a dealer or processor.

Commercial fishing for pelagic and small coastal sharks may continue until further notice. When quotas are projected to be reached, NMFS will file notice of closure at the Office of the Federal Register.

Those vessels that have not been issued a limited access permit under 50 CFR 635.4 may not sell sharks and are subject to the recreational retention limits and size limits specified at 50 CFR 635.22(c) and 635.20(e). The recreational fishery is not affected by this action.

Classification

This action is taken under 50 CFR part 635 and is exempt from review under E.O. 12866.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq. Dated: September 28, 1999.

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Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 99–25715 Filed 9–29–99; 4:24 pm] BILLING CODE 3510–22–F

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 990304062-9062-01; I.D. 092999B]

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Shortraker and Rougheye Rockfish in the Eastern Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Closure.

SUMMARY: NMFS is prohibiting retention of shortraker and rougheye rockfish in the Eastern Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska (GOA). NMFS is requiring that catch of shortraker and rougheye rockfish in this area be treated in the same manner as prohibited species and discarded at sea with a minimum of injury. This action is necessary because the 1999 total allowable catch (TAC) of shortraker and rougheye rockfish in this area has been reached.

DATES: Effective 1200 hrs, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), October 1, 1999, until 2400 hrs, A.l.t., December 31, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Pearson, 907–481–1780 or tom.pearson@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS manages the groundfish fishery in the GOA exclusive economic zone according to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (FMP) prepared by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council under authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Regulations governing fishing by U.S. vessels in accordance with the FMP appear at subpart H of 50 CFR part 600 and 50 CFR part 679.

The 1999 TAC of shortraker and rougheye rockfish in the Eastern Regulatory Area of the GOA was established as 460 metric tons by the Final 1999 Harvest Specifications of Groundfish for the GOA (64 FR 12094, March 11, 1999). See § 679.20(c)(3)(ii).

In accordance with § 679.20(d)(2), the Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS, has determined that the 1999 TAC for shortraker and rougheye rockfish in the Eastern Regulatory Area of the GOA has been reached. Therefore, NMFS is requiring that further catches of shortraker and rougheye rockfish in the Eastern Regulatory Area of the GOA be treated as prohibited species in accordance with § 679.21(b).

Classification

This action responds to the best available information recently obtained from the fishery. It must be implemented immediately to prevent overharvesting the 1999 TAC for shortraker and rougheye rockfish in the Eastern Regulatory Area of the GOA. A delay in the effective date is impracticable and contrary to the public interest. The fleet has taken the 1999 TAC for shortraker and rougheye rockfish in the Eastern Regulatory Area of the GOA. Further delay would only result in overharvest. NMFS finds for good cause that the implementation of this action cannot be delayed for 30 days. Accordingly, under 5 U.S.C. 553(d), a delay in the effective date is hereby waived.

This action is required by § 679.20 and is exempt from review under E.O. 12866.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.* Dated: September 29, 1999.

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Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 99–25804 Filed 9–30–99; 4:01 pm] BILLING CODE 3510–22–F