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June 6, 2014

TO: VIRGINIA HORSESHOE CRAB INDUSTRY

FROM: VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION

**RE: LANDING LIMIT REDUCTION FOR THE POUND NET PERMITEES IN
THE 2014 VIRGINIA HORSESHOE CRAB FISHERY, AS OF 6:00 P.M.,
JUNE 6, 2014**

It is projected that 80% of the horseshoe crab commercial pound net quota has been taken. For that reason, it shall be unlawful for any valid horseshoe crab commercial pound net permittee to possess aboard any vessel or to land more than 250 horseshoe crabs per day, effective 6:00 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT), Friday, June 6, 2014.

Therefore, after Friday, June 6, 2014 at 6:00 P.M., EDT, Horseshoe Crab Commercial Pound Net Permittees will be limited to possess aboard any vessel or land more than 250 horseshoe crabs per day. (Chapter 4 VAC 20-900-10 et seq.).

If you have questions or comments contact Rachael Maulorico (757) 247-2244.

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