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TO: ATLANTIC MENHADEN REDUCTION SECTOR
FROM: VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION
RE: CLOSURE OF THE PURSE SEINE MENHADEN REDUCTION SECTOR

Effective 6:00 P.M., Eastern Standard Time (EST), Wednesday, November 27, 2013, the commercial purse seine menhaden reduction sector will close. Based on Captain's Daily Fishing reports, it is projected that Virginia will have caught 100% of the 286,396,768 pounds of allowable menhaden landings allocated to the purse seine menhaden reduction sector, by the above date and time.

Therefore, after 6:00 P.M. EST Wednesday, November 27, 2013 it shall be unlawful for any person to harvest or land menhaden for the purse seine menhaden reduction sector for the remainder of 2013. Please note, as established by sub-section 30C of Chapter 4VAC20-1270-10 et seq., any overages of a sector's commercial quota shall be deducted from the following year's quota for that sector.

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