MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION BUSINESS MEETING
Doubletree by Hilton, Atlantic Beach, N.C.
June 28, 2013

N.C.G.S. 138A-15(e) mandates at the beginning of any meeting of a board, the chair shall remind all members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest under Chapter 138. The chair also shall inquire as to whether there is any known conflict of interest with respect to any matters coming before the board at that time.

N.C.G.S. 143B-289.54.(g)(2) states a member of the Marine Fisheries Commission shall not vote on any issue before the Commission that would have a "significant and predictable effect" on the member's financial interest. For purposes of this subdivision, "significant and predictable effect" means there is or may be a close causal link between the decision of the Commission and an expected disproportionate financial benefit to the member that is shared only by a minority of persons within the same industry sector or gear group. A member of the Commission shall also abstain from voting on any petition submitted by an advocacy group of which the member is an officer or sits as a member of the advocacy group's board of directors. A member of the Commission shall not use the member's official position as a member of the Commission to secure any special privilege or exemption of substantial value for any person. No member of the Commission shall, by the member's conduct, create an appearance that any person could improperly influence the member in the performance of the member's official duties.

Commissioners having questions about a conflict of interest or appearance of conflict should consult with counsel to the Marine Fisheries Commission or the secretary's ethics liaison. Upon discovering a conflict, the commissioner should inform the chair of the commission in accordance with N.C.G.S. 138A-15(e).

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1 p.m. Call to Order*
Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation
Conflict of Interest Reminder
Roll Call
Approval of Agenda**

1:10 p.m. Petition for Rulemaking
- Presentation of the Petition - Tim Hergenrader
- Response from the Division of Marine Fisheries - Dr. Louis Daniel III

1:30 p.m. Public Comment
Limited to three minutes per person

3:30 p.m. Vote on Petition for Rulemaking
The commission must vote on whether to initiate rulemaking or deny the petition
- **Vote to Grant or Deny Petition for Rulemaking****

3:45 p.m. Rule Suspensions – David Taylor
At each meeting, the commission must vote to continue suspension of any rules the Division of Marine Fisheries Director has suspended by proclamation.
- **Vote on Rule Suspension for Portions of 15A NCAC 03J .0103 Gill Net Yardage Restrictions****
- **Vote on Rule Suspension for Portions of 15A NCAC 03O .0501 Atlantic Ocean Striped Bass Gear Permit****

4 p.m. Adjourn

2013 Meeting Schedule:
Feb. 27- March 1 in Pine Knoll Shores **Aug. 28-30 in Raleigh**
May 29-30 in Morehead City **Nov. 13-15 in Morehead City area**

**** Times indicated are merely for guidance. The commission will proceed through the agenda until completed.***
*****Action Items***