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## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE OF COASTAL MANAGEMENT

October 8, 2014

The Honorable Gordon E. Dove, Sr. Chairman House Natural Resources & Environment Committee P.O. Box 44486 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4486

Dear Chairman Dove:

Under the authority of the laws of the State of Louisiana and in accordance with the provisions of Subpart c of Part II of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with the general authority of the Department of Natural Resources and the secretary thereof under Chapter 8 of Title 36 and Subpart C of Part 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, including La. R.S. 36:351 et seq., and with the Administrative Procedure Act, La. R.S. 49:950 et seq., the secretary hereby gives notice that rulemaking procedures have been initiated to promulgate new rules to administer the Fisherman's Gear Compensation Fund, LAC 43:I.1509.

The rule change better defines the required claim documentation and is a change to one of several claim denial criteria. The change of the denial criteria is in regards to proof of ownership documents of damaged equipment/gear and method of payment (i.e., cash paid receipts) and it removes the current practice of denying claims for equipment that was paid by cash since cash receipts from bona fide business will now be accepted as an eligibility component.

These proposed Rules have no known impact on family formation, stability, and autonomy as described in La. R.S. 49:972 nor is there any known impact on poverty as described in R.S. 49:973, and no report is necessary to the Department of Economic Development as required by The Regulatory Flexibility Act (La. R.S. 49:965.2-49:965.8).

If you should have any further questions or require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Jessica Diez at (225) 342-7268.

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The Honorable John A. Alario, Jr. President of the Louisiana Senate P.O. Box 94062 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9062

Dear President Alario:

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Dear Chairman Long:

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