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State of Louisiana

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE OF COASTAL MANAGEMENT

August 7, 2015

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.1515.

The Rule change adjusts the rules for the assessment of fees to reflect the amount specified in the statute. There will be no increased costs to persons or non-governmental groups as the proposed rule change will only modify the language to match the fee amount already outlined in R.S. 56:700.2.D. State mineral lease lessees have already been paying the \$1,000 fee since 2002 and will not see an actual increase in costs as a result of the proposed rule change.

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.

Sincerely,

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

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The Honorable Gerald Long Chairman, Senate Natural Resources Committee P.O. Box 94183 Baton Rouge, LA 70804

Dear Chairman Long:

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The Honorable Chuck Kleckley Speaker of the Louisiana House P.O. Box 94062 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9062

Re: Second Report on Amendment to Rules and Procedures for Fisherman's Gear Compensation Fund

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