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SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority to Act as Certifying Officers (Reference:

MB/IMS33, 443-8192)

TO: Financial Management Centers

The Department of Commerce has extended delegations of authority to certain National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) officials to sign as Certifying Officers attesting to the official nature of Notices of Violations and Inspection Certificates.

Procedures to meet the conditions listed in the Department of Commerce memorandum will be established and maintained within NMFS by the Office of the Executive Director for Fisheries (Fx3).

For information and ready access, the Department's delegation document is attached (reverse page).

Samuel A. Lawrence Assistant Administrator for

Management and Budget

Attachment

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE The Assistant Secretary for Administration Washington, D.C. 20230

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MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL A. LAWRENCE

Arlene Triplett

Assistant Secretary for Administration

Redelegation of Authority to Certain NMFS Officials to Act SUBJECT: as Certifying Officer Under DAO 201-17

In response to your memorandum of April 23, 1982, I hereby delegate to the officials of the National Marine Fisheries Service listed below the authority to act as Certifying Officer under the provisions of DAO 201-17, except that such authority shall be limited solely to activities related to the authentication of Notices of Violations and Inspection Certificates, as specified in the above memorandum:

Assistant Administrator Deputy Assistant Administrator Executive Director for Fisheries Director and Deputy Director, Northwest Region Director and Deputy Director, Southwest Region Director and Deputy Director, Northeast Region Director and Deputy Director, Southeast Region Director and Deputy Director, Alaska Region Director, National Seafood Quality and Inspection Laboratory,

Pascagoula, Mississippi* Chief, Northeast Inspection Office, Gloucester, Massachusetts* Chief, Southeast Inspection Office, St. Petersburg, Florida*

Chief, Western Inspection Office, Bell, California

"These specific delegations cover the "Fishery Product Inspectors" listed in the April 23, 1982 memorandum.

This delegation of authority is subject to the following additional conditions:

- This delegation is not redelegable beyond the NMFS officials listed above.
- NOAA will establish appropriately rigid procedures for the issuance, accountability, and use of all embossing dies for the application of the Department seal to documents.
- NOAA will order a limit of seventeen (17) embossing dies for issuance to the above officials - one per official. This total will not be exceeded, and each embossing die will be imprinted with a NOAA assigned identification number for issuance and control purposes.
- On December 31 of each year, NOAA will confirm in writing to the Assistant Secretary for Administration that each of the above officials still retains an embossing die. In the event that an embossing die is stolen, lost, or misused, the Assistant Secretary will be notified immediately in writing, with a full explanation.