

September 29, 2005

To All Prawn Vessel Owners and Licence Eligibility Holders:

## **FUTURE MANAGEMENT OF THE COMMERCIAL PRAWN FISHERY**

On September 22, 2005, the Industry Caucus of the Prawn Sectoral Committee met. Future management options was one of the items discussed at the meeting.

At the meeting, Caucus members unanimously agreed to shelve the two pilot program proposals; trap haul limits and individual quotas. The future management option discussions have been a contentious and divisive issue for the commercial prawn fleet. Caucus is choosing to look at a status quo fishery for 2006 and unanimously supports the concept of electronic monitoring as a means to enforce the single haul condition of licence, subject to more information on costs and subject to working out proper protocols with DFO.

The Industry Caucus would appreciate feedback from the fleet about the future management of the commercial prawn fishery. If you have any questions or comments, please contact your Caucus representative.

Sincerely,

### **THE INDUSTRY CAUCUS OF THE PRAWN SECTORAL COMMITTEE**

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