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Memo

To: Eligible Applicants

From: Stuart Smith, Harbormaster *SS*

Date: September 13, 2017

Subject: Temporary Winter Shore-side Berthing Drawing

The Harbormaster in consultation with the Waterways Advisory Committee and Aunt Lydia's Cove Committee and endorsement by the Board of Selectmen has promulgated new regulations for haul-outs and temporary winter-shore side berthing. These regulations allow for a limited number of commercial fishing vessels to apply for temporary winter shore-side berthing at Ryder's Cove and Old Mill Boat Yard from December 1 through April 15. Temporary winter shore-side berthing shall be limited to those vessels owned by a Chatham resident or Chatham property taxpayer, and which have a current Town of Chatham mooring permit. Eligible vessels are commercial fishing vessels 35' or greater length over all and over 14' beam, and not readily transportable over the road.

Vessel owners seeking temporary shore-side berthing shall submit a request to the Harbormaster prior to September 15th of each year. Eligible applicant names will be drawn at random in a meeting of the Waterways Advisory Committee prior to October 1st. Submissions will be made in person at the Office of the Harbormaster located at 613 Stage Harbor Road. Applicants will fill out a submission form and receive a ticket number.

If selected, vessel owners shall ensure that the vessel is covered with a full, in-force liability and pollution insurance policy of not less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) which names the Town of Chatham as an additional insured. The policy shall also hold harmless and indemnify the Town of Chatham against any and all claims and damages pertaining to injuries, damages to other boats or property, or pollution resulting from work on, or caused by, the vessel while the vessel is on Town property. Proof of insurance shall be filed with the Harbormaster at the time of issuance of a permit.

The fee for temporary shore-side berthing is \$600 and shall be paid in full prior to haul-out.

The Regulations for Haul-out and Temporary Winter Shore-side Berthing of Commercial Fishing Vessels are enclosed and are available for viewing at the Harbormaster's Office. If you have any questions concerning this memo or the regulations please contact the Harbormaster Office at 508-945-5185.