CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, Section §42-35-2.6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, following is a concise explanatory statement for the below identified regulation.

AGENCY: Department of Environmental Management

DIVISION: Marine Fisheries

<u>RULE TITLE:</u> Regulations Governing the Administration of the Seafood Processors Pandemic Response and Safety Block Grant Provided to the State of Rhode Island by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service Under Title VII, Subtitle B, § 751 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. Law 116-260 (H.R. 133) in Response to the Ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic

RULE IDENTIFIER: 250-RICR-90-00-20

REASON FOR RULEMAKING: See summary provided at the time of noticing.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENTS:</u> No comments or testimony was made.

<u>CHANGE TO TEXT FROM PROPOSED TO FINAL RULE (identify any changes</u> <u>between the text of the rule as proposed and the text of the final rule and explain why these</u> <u>changes were made to the final text):</u> N/A

REGULATORY ANALYSIS: In the development of the proposed amendment consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information.