

- (5) If your bid's reduction vessel is not Federally documented, identify it by vessel name and state registration or other identification number and include an exact photocopy of whatever official vessel registration, identification, or other documentation the controlling authority issued;
- (6) Identify, by permit number, each of your fee-share reduction permits that the appropriate state fishery management authority issued, and include an exact photocopy of each of them;
- (7) Identify, by permit number, each of your other Federal permits associated with the reduction vessel and include an exact photocopy of each of them (which NMFS issued);
- (8) Identify any liens or security interests on any item specified in your bid;
- (9) Make certain statements, declarations, and affirmations with respect to your reduction fishing interest and provide any other information that the bidding document may require;
- (10) Sign the bidding document. In circumstances where there are co-bidders, each co-bidder must also sign the bidding document; and
- (11) Acknowledge your signature of the bidding document before a notary public.

In the event that you are submitting a bid on behalf of another person or entity, include proof that you are authorized to bind such person or entity. For instance, if you are signing for a corporation, include a photocopy of your corporate by-laws, articles of incorporation, board resolution, or other document indicating that you are authorized to submit a bid and thereby bind the corporation. If necessary, please consult your legal advisor for assistance.

Your signature and submission of the bidding document constitutes an irrevocable offer, consistent with the bidding document's terms and conditions, to the United States.

VI. Bidding Procedures:

Bidding Package Mailing Date. Prior to the Bidding Opening Date, NMFS will mail a bidding package to each groundfish reduction permit owner. The mailing will include, among other things, this document, a bidding document, and further instructions for completing your bid and submitting it to NMFS. You may not submit a bid until after you have received your bidding package.

Bidding Opening Date. The bidding opening date is *[BIDDING OPENING DATE TO BE LATER DETERMINED AND INSERTED HERE]*. You should not submit your bid before this date.

Bidding Closing Date. The bidding closing date is *[BIDDING CLOSING DATE TO BE LATER DETERMINED AND INSERTED HERE]*. You must mail or otherwise deliver your bid so that NMFS physically receives it on or before this date. NMFS will stamp your bid