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**Council Meeting Agenda**  
**October 25, 2007**  
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**Please Note – Groundfish Amendment 16-related issues will not be addressed at this meeting.**  
**However, ample time will be made available at the November Council meeting for a full discussion of A16 progress and sector development.**

**Thursday, October 25, 2007**

**9:00 a.m. Introductions and Announcements** (Council Chairman John Pappalardo)

**9:15 Sea Scallop Committee Report**

- Review and approve final measures for Framework 19 to the Sea Scallop Fishery Management Plan; the biennial adjustment will set management measures for scallop fishing years 2008 and 2009; among others, management measures will include days-at-sea allocations, access area allocations, specific measures for the general category fishery, minor modifications to the observer set-aside program, consideration of new scallop rotational areas, a revision to the overfishing definition, a 30-day Vessel Monitoring System power-down provision, a prohibition on deck loading scallops and crew size restrictions on access area trips
  
- Review and approve sea scallop research priorities for 2008 and 2009

**12:15 p.m. Lunch Break**

**1:15 Open Period for Public Comments** (Chairman John Pappalardo)

Opportunity for brief comments from the public on items relevant to Council business but not otherwise listed on the meeting agenda

**1:30 Approval of Framework Adjustment 19** – to continue until all scallop items have been addressed

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Notice mailing date: October 3, 2007

**Next Council Meeting - November 6-8, 2007**  
**Hotel Viking, Newport, RI**