Acronyms

ABC – Allowable Biological Catch

AFSC – Alaska Fisheries Science Center

AI – Aleutian Islands

ASMFC – Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission

BSAI – Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands

CIE – Center for Independent Experts

CPUE – Catch Per Unit Effort

CSIRO – Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (Australia)

DAS - Days At Sea

EBM – Ecosystem-Based Management

EBS - Eastern Bering Sea

EEZ - Exclusive Economic Zone

ESA - Endangered Species Act

ESU – Evolutionarily Significant Units

FFA – South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency

FIS - Fisheries Information System

FMC - Fishery Management Council

FMP - Fishery Management Plan

FRV - Fishery Research Vessel

FSP - Fisheries Strategic Plan

FTE - Full-Time Equivalent (applied to numbers of in-

house staff or contractors)

FY - Fiscal Year

GLOBEC - GLOBal ocean ECosystem dynamics

GOA - Gulf of Alaska

GOM - Gulf of Mexico

HMS – Highly Migratory Species

IATTC - Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission

ICCAT – International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas

ICES – International Commission for the Exploration of the Sea

ISC – Interim Scientific Committee for Tunas and Tunalike Species in the North Pacific Ocean

LOA - Length OverAll

MFCMA – Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act

MHLC - Multi-lateral High Level Conference

MPA - Marine Protected Area

MRFSS – Marine Recreational Fisheries Statistics Survey **MSFCMA** – Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation

and Management Act

MSY - Maximum Sustainable Yield

NASCO – North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization

NEFSC - Northeast Fisheries Science Center

NEPA - National Environmental Protection Act

NMFS - National Marine Fisheries Service

NOAA – National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NRC - National Research Council

NRIFSF – National Research Institute for Far Seas Fisheries

NWFSC – Northwest Fisheries Science Center

OFL - Overfishing Level

PDT – Plan Development Team

PSMFC – Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission

ROV – Remotely Operated Vehicle

SAFE - Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation

SAM - Statistical Assessment Model

SARC – Stock Assessment Review Committee (NEFSC)

SAW – Stock Assessment Workshop (NEFSC)

SCTB – Standing Committee on Tuna and Billfish

SEFSC - Southeast Fisheries Science Center

SFA – Sustainable Fisheries Act (1996)

SPC – Secretariat of the Pacific Community

SQAP – Science Quality Assurance Program

SSC - Scientific and Statistical Committee

STAR - Stock Assessment Review Panel

SWFSC – Southwest Fisheries Science Center

TRAC - Transboundary Resource Assessment Committee

VTR - Vessel Trip Report

WG - Working Group