

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2015 1:05:23 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: David Buttrey
To: Gulf Council
Category: Junk

David Buttrey
1183 Petty Rd
White Bluff, TN 37187

April 30, 2015

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Sincerely,
David Buttrey

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2015 10:34:12 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Barbara Mixson
To: Gulf Council
Category: Junk

Barbara Mixson
468 Birchwood Dr
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

April 30, 2015

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Sincerely,
Barbara Mixson

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 8:48:20 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: ricky webster
To: Gulf Council
Category: Junk

ricky webster
996fl/ga hwy
havana, FL 32333

April 29, 2015

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Sincerely,
ricky webster

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 7:58:01 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Valerie BYRD
To: Gulf Council
Category: Junk

Valerie BYRD
37 Sanford St
St Augustine, FL 32084

April 29, 2015

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Sincerely,
Valerie Byrd

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 4:52:06 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Glenn Goldsmith
To: Gulf Council
Category: Junk

Glenn Goldsmith
430 Mayflower Road
Mattituck, NY 11952

April 29, 2015

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Sincerely,
Glenn Goldsmith

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 10:44:42 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: tim jones
To: Gulf Council
Category: Junk

tim jones
15495 HIGHWAY 79 N
BUCHANAN, TN 38222-4107

April 29, 2015

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Sincerely,
tim jones

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 10:44:41 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Anderson Harwell
To: Gulf Council
Category: Junk

Anderson Harwell
7711 Thunderbird Circle
Sarasota,, FL 34243-4742

April 29, 2015

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 10:44:31 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: MIKE FALK
To: Gulf Council
Category: Junk

MIKE FALK
1296 COASTAL HWY 98
PANACEA, FL 32346-2150

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Sincerely,
MIKE FALK

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From: tim jones
To: Gulf Council
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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Thursday, April 30, 2015 at 2:06:03 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Andrew Manke

To: Gulf Council

Andrew Manke
N1401 State Road 113
Lodi, WI 53555

April 30, 2015

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Andrew Manke

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Thursday, April 30, 2015 at 12:14:49 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Jeff Mills

To: Gulf Council

Jeff Mills
165 Huguley Rd.
Opelika, AL 36804

April 30, 2015

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Jeff Mills

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Thursday, April 30, 2015 at 9:23:18 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Ashley Hall

To: Gulf Council

Ashley Hall
1270 Chastain Rd
Kennesaw, GA 30144

April 30, 2015

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Sincerely,
Ashley Hall

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2015 at 8:53:10 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: LELAN JOHNSON
To: Gulf Council

LELAN JOHNSON
430 ASHLEY 280
HAMBURG, AR 71646

April 30, 2015

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Sincerely,
LELAN JOHNSON

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2015 at 8:23:06 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Richard Reo
To: Gulf Council

Richard Reo
187 Sawyer Street
South Portland, ME 04106

April 30, 2015

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Richard Reo

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2015 at 12:51:58 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: SCOTT LANCASTER
To: Gulf Council

SCOTT LANCASTER
1307 NEWMARK
COOS BAY, OR 97420

April 30, 2015

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SCOTT LANCASTER

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 9:38:46 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Ron and Dondra Taylor
To: Gulf Council

Ron and Dondra Taylor
8167 US Hwy 78
Bremen, GA 30110

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 9:08:28 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Michael Zunker
To: Gulf Council

Michael Zunker
401 Dukes Ct
Sartell, MN 56377

April 29, 2015

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Michael Zunker

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 7:27:52 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Todd Romig
To: Gulf Council

Todd Romig
2650 Lake Shore Dr
Riviera Beach, GU 33404

April 29, 2015

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 5:02:28 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: William Boehman
To: Gulf Council

William Boehman
11468 Regency Ln
Carmel, IN 46033

April 29, 2015

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William Boehman

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 4:31:55 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Lynne Thompson
To: Gulf Council

Lynne Thompson
1260 North Hwy 61
Wentzville, MO 63385

April 29, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 4:31:51 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: ALLEN DAVIS
To: Gulf Council

ALLEN DAVIS
2380 HWY C-30
PORT ST. JOE, FL 32456-7571

April 29, 2015

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 4:31:48 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Tom Lewis
To: Gulf Council

Tom Lewis
1105 K Ave
Plano, TX 75074

April 29, 2015

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 4:31:37 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: BENNY RAY
To: Gulf Council

BENNY RAY
1105 AVENUE K
PLANO, TX 75074-8618

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BENNY RAY

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 4:00:09 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Jody Sanders

To: Gulf Council

Jody Sanders
3222 Norma Dr.
Longview, TX 75604

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 3:49:58 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Jeff Draughon

To: Gulf Council

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4709 Collinsburg Drive
Alexandria, LA 71303

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 3:28:59 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: bill saunders

To: Gulf Council

bill saunders
1113 seminole ln
albany, GA 31707

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 3:18:42 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Justin Short

To: Gulf Council

Justin Short
903 Gold Ridge Ct.
Canton, GA 30114

April 29, 2015

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Sincerely,
Justin Short

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 3:18:22 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Patrick Savoy

To: Gulf Council

Patrick Savoy
142 hospital drive
Oakdale, LA 71463

April 29, 2015

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 3:18:20 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: CARL E

To: Gulf Council

CARL E
6710 CROSS BAYOU DR
SEMINOLE, FL 33777-1617

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 3:18:17 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Jonathan Harris
To: Gulf Council

Jonathan Harris
315 E Crestwood
White Oak, TX 75693

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 2:57:26 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Lindsay Spencer
To: Gulf Council

Lindsay Spencer
1000 Preserve Ave.
Port Royal, SC 29935

April 29, 2015

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 2:36:42 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: R. P. Breaux
To: Gulf Council

R. P. Breaux
105 kirk st
pierre part, LA 70339

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R. P. Breaux

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 2:26:31 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: WADE CANTRELLE
To: Gulf Council

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16815 E MAIN ST
CUT OFF, LA 70345-3901

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 2:26:13 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: nancy ward
To: Gulf Council

nancy ward
p.o. box 471
orange beach, AL 36561

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 2:15:31 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Kayla Thompson
To: Gulf Council

Kayla Thompson
4894 EastPort Blvd
Little River, SC 29566

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Kayla Thompson

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 1:54:51 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Dianne Harbaugh
To: Gulf Council

Dianne Harbaugh
299 Woods Ave
Tavernier, FL 33070

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 1:54:26 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Matt Lester
To: Gulf Council

Matt Lester
111 Courtland Cir
Powder Springs, GA 30127

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 1:44:20 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Steve Hall
To: Gulf Council

Steve Hall
113 Anchor Lane
Palatka, FL 32177

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From: Scott Allen
To: Gulf Council

Scott Allen
1270 Chastain Rd
Kennesaw, GA 30144

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 1:23:18 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Ben Mallett
To: Gulf Council

Ben Mallett
5098 Leeshire Trail
Vinings, GA 30339

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From: DON ROBERTSON
To: Gulf Council

DON ROBERTSON
2033 SO MAIN
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84115

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 1:23:15 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: tim mcconnell
To: Gulf Council

tim mcconnell
2183 saint james dr
charleston, SC 29412

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 1:12:35 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Ryan SONNIER
To: Gulf Council

Ryan SONNIER
2703 HIGHWAY 90 E
NEW IBERIA, LA 70560-0755

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 1:02:29 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Rickey SONNIER

To: Gulf Council

Rickey SONNIER
2703 HIGHWAY 90 E
NEW IBERIA, LA 70560-0755

April 29, 2015

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Wanda SONNIER

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 12:51:53 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: KEITH EAZSOL
To: Gulf Council

KEITH EAZSOL
5820 W COLONIAL DR
ORLANDO, FL 32808-7513

April 29, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 12:41:20 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Jay Helme

To: Gulf Council

Jay Helme
29 Webster ST
Newport, RI 02840

April 29, 2015

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 12:41:19 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Michael Krautkremer
To: Gulf Council

Michael Krautkremer
2338 Boulder Road
Chanhassen, MN 55317

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Sincerely,
Michael Krautkremer

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 12:41:17 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: RANEY REDMOND
To: Gulf Council

RANEY REDMOND
1724 GENERAL MOUTON AVE
LAFAYETTE, LA 70508-2114

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RANEY REDMOND

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 12:30:20 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: jeff kalibat

To: Gulf Council

jeff kalibat
195 lincoln ave
rockville centre, NY 11570

April 29, 2015

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jeff kalibat

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 12:20:09 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Dennis Warren
To: Gulf Council

Dennis Warren
2501 Industrail Park Drive
Cairo, GA 39828

April 29, 2015

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 12:09:42 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: SAMUEL M
To: Gulf Council

SAMUEL M
125 INDIAN HILL BLVD
LIVINGSTON, TX 77351-6794

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SAMUEL M

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:59:32 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Jennifer Eiland
To: Gulf Council

Jennifer Eiland
3298 Lantern Coach Lane NE
Roswell, GA 30075

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:59:23 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Jesse Krell
To: Gulf Council

Jesse Krell
240 5th St E Apt 515
Saint Paul, MN 55101

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Jesse Krell

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:59:24 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Craig Davidson
To: Gulf Council

Craig Davidson
2208 Delay Drive
Lascassas, TN 37085

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From: Ronald Wadman
To: Gulf Council

Ronald Wadman
606 Leah Drive
Powder Springs, GA 30127

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From: GORDON DEVASTO
To: Gulf Council

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1021 N ORLANDO AVE
MAITLAND, FL 32751-4451

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:49:03 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: TERRY MCCARTNEY
To: Gulf Council

TERRY MCCARTNEY
542 HOLLY DR.
EDMONDS, WA 98020

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Sincerely,
TERRY MCCARTNEY

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:38:37 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Randall Sharp

To: Gulf Council

Randall Sharp
1634 Kalakaua Court
Gulf Breeze, FL 32563

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:38:27 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: CHRIS RINKER
To: Gulf Council

CHRIS RINKER
2500 W MOUNT HOUSTON RD
HOUSTON, TX 77038-3517

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:38:26 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Dylan Gwin
To: Gulf Council

Dylan Gwin
331 S HWY 146
Laporte, TX 77571

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Dylan Gwin

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:38:17 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Gary Schreiber

To: Gulf Council

Gary Schreiber
741 W. Golden Pheasant Rd.
Shelton, WA 98584

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From: TRAVIS FLANAGAN
To: Gulf Council

TRAVIS FLANAGAN
41146 SCHAFER RD
LOS FRESNOS, TX 78566-4790

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TRAVIS FLANAGAN

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:27:36 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Dale Barnes

To: Gulf Council

Dale Barnes
636 Braidwood Drive
Acworth, GA 30101

April 29, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:27:20 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Jeff Rhinehart

To: Gulf Council

Jeff Rhinehart
3000 US Highway 70W
Black Mountain, NC 28711

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:27:16 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Jonathon Burns

To: Gulf Council

Jonathon Burns
1046 Towne Lake Hills East
Woodstock, GA 30189

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:16:30 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Rowena Russell

To: Gulf Council

Rowena Russell
One Skeeter Rd
Kilgore, TX 75662

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:16:10 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Donald Vaughn

To: Gulf Council

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6629 Timbers Dr
Mobile, AL 36695

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:06:08 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Walter Brumley
To: Gulf Council

Walter Brumley
618 Canyon Springs Dr
La Porte, TX 77571

April 29, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:06:07 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Joey Bryan

To: Gulf Council

Joey Bryan
721 Doty Rd
Ferriday, LA 71334

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:06:00 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Bret Glaser

To: Gulf Council

Bret Glaser
1270 Chastain Rd
Kennesaw, GA 30144

April 29, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:05:55 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Betty Smith
To: Gulf Council

Betty Smith
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Kennesaw, GA 30144

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:05:52 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Dolly Reeves

To: Gulf Council

Dolly Reeves
1689 Timberlake Road
Kennesaw, GA 30144

April 29, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:05:45 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Gregory Snyder

To: Gulf Council

Gregory Snyder
1270 Chastain Rd
Kennesaw, GA 30144

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:05:43 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: John Moulton
To: Gulf Council

John Moulton
33 Old Elm St
Salisbury, MA 01952

April 29, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 11:05:41 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Amanda Pope
To: Gulf Council

Amanda Pope
5092 Shallow Way Court
Kennesaw, GA 30144

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Sincerely,
Amanda Pope

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:55:36 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Ron Mauselle
To: Gulf Council

Ron Mauselle
10940 SW Barnes Rd
Portland, OR 97225

April 29, 2015

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Sincerely,
Ron Mauselle

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:55:34 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Karen Poots
To: Gulf Council

Karen Poots
2348 SHOP RD
COLUMBIA, SC 29201-5164

April 29, 2015

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Sincerely,
Karen Poots

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:55:32 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: BRYAN LUCIUS
To: Gulf Council

BRYAN LUCIUS
40047 COUNTY ROAD 54
ZEPHYRHILLS, FL 33540-7951

April 29, 2015

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Sincerely,
BRYAN LUCIUS

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:55:16 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Brett Gibbens
To: Gulf Council

Brett Gibbens
3904 Hwy 98
mexico beach, FL 32410

April 29, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:54:58 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: David Mitas
To: Gulf Council

David Mitas
1270 Chastain Rd
Kennesaw, GA 30144

April 29, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:54:57 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Sean Eynon
To: Gulf Council

Sean Eynon
24 nth 11 th st
Beaumont, TX 77702

April 29, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:54:55 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: KENNETH RATLEY
To: Gulf Council

KENNETH RATLEY
ONE SKEETER RD
KILGORE, TX 75662-6157

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KENNETH RATLEY

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:54:56 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Hill Johnston
To: Gulf Council

Hill Johnston
423 Peachtree Hills Circle NE
Atlanta, GA 30305

April 29, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:44:54 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Brian Shatney
To: Gulf Council

Brian Shatney
7 Lysiloma Ct.
Homosassa, FL 34446

April 29, 2015

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Brian Shatney

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:44:51 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Al Partin
To: Gulf Council

Al Partin
187 Peanut Drive
Edenton, NC 27932

April 29, 2015

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Al Partin

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:44:49 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Austin Roebuck

To: Gulf Council

Austin Roebuck
1270 Chastain Rd
Kennesaw, GA 30144

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Sincerely,
Austin Roebuck

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:44:40 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Jim Peterson

To: Gulf Council

Jim Peterson
9421 Highway 10 NW
Ramsey, MN 55303

April 29, 2015

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:44:32 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Pete Jorgensen
To: Gulf Council

Pete Jorgensen
24 nth 11 th st
Beaumont, TX 77702

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From: Albert Anderson

To: Gulf Council

Albert Anderson
2434 Holly Neck Road
Essex, MD 21221

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Albert Anderson

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:44:29 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Tina Miller

To: Gulf Council

Tina Miller
1155 FM 518 Rd.
Kemah, TX 77565

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To: Gulf Council

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1270 Chastain Rd
Kennesaw, GA 30144

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From: Paul Gioe

To: Gulf Council

Paul Gioe
105 Route 9
Bayville, NJ 08721

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Paul Gioe

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From: William Johnson
To: Gulf Council

William Johnson
211 Gabriel St
Lafayette, LA 70506

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William Johnson

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

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From: Megan Campbell

To: Gulf Council

Megan Campbell
1270 Chastain Road
Kennesaw, GA 30144

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:44:22 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Tony Sandora

To: Gulf Council

Tony Sandora
5100 Lake Road
Wildwood, NJ 08260

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The GSRMSMA will be considered by the House Natural Resources Committee on Thursday, 4/30/15. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:44:20 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Chris Butler
To: Gulf Council

Chris Butler
8 Indigo Loop
Beaufort, SC 29907

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:44:16 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: TOBY BURR

To: Gulf Council

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BURR BROS. BOATS INC.
MARION, MA 02738

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:44:14 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Derik Burger
To: Gulf Council

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n1404 hwy 113
lodi, WI 53555

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:44:07 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Jimmy Fisackerly
To: Gulf Council

Jimmy Fisackerly
1212 Copperman Ct
Covington, LA 70433

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From: Jimmy Fisackerly
To: Gulf Council

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1212 Copperman Ct
Covington, LA 70433

April 29, 2015

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Jimmy Fisackerly

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:43:40 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Mike Browne
To: Gulf Council

Mike Browne
1270 Chastain Road
Kennesaw, GA 30144

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:43:33 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Marci Nagel
To: Gulf Council

Marci Nagel
1 skeeter rd
kilgore, TX 75662

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Marci Nagel

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:43:31 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: John DeVasto
To: Gulf Council

John DeVasto
1021 N ORLANDO AVE
MAITLAND, FL 32751

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John DeVasto

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:43:29 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: JoAnne OBryant
To: Gulf Council

JoAnne OBryant
129 Ridge Lane
Kilgore, TX 75662

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:43:27 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: JIMMY FISACKERLY
To: Gulf Council

JIMMY FISACKERLY
662 OLD SPANISH TRL
SLIDELL, LA 70458-4410

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:33:21 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: JARED TAYLOR
To: Gulf Council

JARED TAYLOR
1503 SHERMAR LN
PRINCETON, TX 75407

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:33:23 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Thomas Reynolds
To: Gulf Council

Thomas Reynolds
264 Hamburg Road
Lyme, CT 06371

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Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:33:01 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Michael Saeger
To: Gulf Council

Michael Saeger
2003 Kimberly Village Lane
Marietta, GA 30067

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Michael Saeger

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:32:19 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Adam Hall

To: Gulf Council

Adam Hall
756 Highview Court
Woodstock, GA 30189

April 29, 2015

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The GSRMSMA will be considered by the House Natural Resources Committee on Thursday, 4/30/15. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

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Adam Hall

Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 10:32:17 AM Eastern Daylight Time

From: JOHN MCCROSKEY

To: Gulf Council

JOHN MCCROSKEY
1520 N STEMMONS FWY
LEWISVILLE, TX 75067-2201

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Monday, April 27, 2015 at 10:55:05 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Patrick Savoy

To: Gulf Council

Patrick Savoy
142 hospital drive
Oakdale, LA 71463

April 27, 2015

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Subject: Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority

Date: Monday, April 27, 2015 at 9:34:51 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: R. P. Breaux

To: Gulf Council

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105 kirk st
pierre part, LA 70339

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