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My name is Aaron Williams I am a commercial fisherman from stonington CT. I captain FV Tradition for my dad who also owns the FV Heritage in which my brother captains. Both boats have fluke/summer flounder permits from Massachusetts to North Carolina. I am in favor of the dual landings bill but in WINTER MONTHS ONLY, in federal waters NOT in any state waters and NOT HAVING IT in the summer time. Currently we have to steam offshore to fishing grounds for each states limit, in and out in and out. If this bill was to pass we could go offshore once and then deliver our summer flounder to each state, only going offshore once. We face very bad weather this time of year and our time is limited to get offshore, this bill would make it convenient to utilize our state permits. We also face windmills coming soon also and driving through a wind farm less times would also be very helpful. There is absolutely no more fish coming out of the ocean, we would just be doing more "delivering" of fish. North Carolina, Virginia, and New Jersey are already utilizing this plan and it works well we have already been a part of it. I hope this plan is taken into consideration and I thank you for your time.

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