For the reasons set out in the preamble, 50 CFR part 622 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 622--FISHERIES OF THE CARIBBEAN, GULF OF MEXICO, AND SOUTH ATLANTIC

1. The authority citation for part 622 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

2. In § 622.50, revise introductory paragraph (b) to read as follows:

§ 622.50 Permits, permit moratorium, and endorsements. * * * * *

(b) Moratorium on commercial vessel permits for Gulf shrimp. The provisions of this paragraph (b) are applicable through October 26, 2026.

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Comment [SS1]: Action 1, Preferred Alt 2b. Extend the current moratorium date of October 26, 2016 for 10 years.