THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE 15TH JUNE, 2005 LEGAL SUPPLEMENT – B

GUYANA

No. 22 of 2005

ORDER

Made Under

THE MARITIME BOUNDARIES ACT

(Act No. 10 of 1977)

IN EXERCISE OF THE POWERS CONFERRED UPON ME BY SECTION 24 OF THE MARITIME BOUNDARIES ACT, I HEREBY MAKE THE FOLLOWING ORDER:-

Citation.

1. This Order, which amends the Maritime Boundaries (Turtle Excluder Device) Order 1994, may be cited as the Maritime Boundaries (Turtle Excluder Device) (Amendment) Order 2005.

Amendment of clause 3 of the Principal Order.

- 2. Clause 3 of the Principal Order is hereby amended-
- (a) in paragraph (1) by the insertion of the words "with the specifications in the Schedule," immediately before the word "which";
- (b) by the insertion immediately after paragraph (2) of the following as paragraph (3) -
 - "(3) Every master, owner or charterer of a fishing boat who violates the provisions of clause 3 (1) and (2) shall with effect from the commencement of this order be liable to the penalties prescribed in section 24(3) of the Act.".

Amendment of the Principal Order. 3. The Principal Order is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after clause 3 of the following-

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cl. 3 (1)

SCHEDULE

The Turtle Excluder Device shall not be less than 32 inches in length and 32 inches in width and shall consist of the following specifications:

(a) 71 Inches Opening (Single Flap):

- Step 1. The leading edge cut measurement shall not be less than 71 inches when stretched.
- Step 2. The side cut measurement shall not be less than 26 inches when stretched.
- Step 3. The side attachment shall not be more than 6 inches beyond grid.
- Step 4. The flap length shall not be more than 24 inches beyond grid.
- Step 5. The escape opening measurement shall not be less than 71 inches when stretched.

(b) <u>Double Cover Opening:</u>

Step 1. The leading edge cut measurement shall not be less than 56 inches when stretched.

- Step 2. The side cut measurement shall not be less than 20 inches when stretched.
- Step 3. The over-lap section shall not be less than 15 inches when stretched.
- Step 4. The flap length shall not be more than 24 inches beyond grid.
- (c) The angle of the turtle excluder device shall be 45 degrees to 55 degrees within the trawl net.
- (d) The steel bars shall be placed 4 inches apart.
- (e) The floatation device shall be balanced.
- (f) Each trawl net, including spare nets, on every fishing boat shall be affixed with a turtle excluder device.".

Made this 3 day of May, 2005.

Minister of Agriculture (ag) and

Minister of Fisheries, Crops and Livestocks.