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Implementation Review North Atlantic minke whales

Please find enclosed instructions for how to obtain the paper, SC/55/NAM1, Skaug *et al.* which presents an estimate of abundance of Northeastern minke whales based on sighting survey data collected over the period 1996-2001 (data submitted earlier). The paper is submitted under the "Guidelines for conducting surveys and analysing data within the Revised Management Scheme" (RIWC 44:168-174) which says that the analysis of results shall be provided to the Secretariat and circulated to the Scientific Committee no later than three months prior to the meeting of the Scientific Committee in which they are to be used.

An email message was sent to the AE-group (Smith, \emptyset ien,Palka,Cooke,Kawahara,Wall \emptyset e,Skaug) informing them about the availability of the document.

The instructions for how to obtain the document are:

http://whale.imr.no/RMP5 User name: NAminke Password: 107205

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