ANNOUNCEMENT

As this number of the *Fishery Bulletin* was going to press, we were informed that the Office of Management and Budget has approved our request that the publication be formally recognized as a periodical.

Beginning with Volume 70, Number 1, the *Fishery Bulletin* will appear quarterly. A limited number of copies will be distributed free of charge, primarily to libraries and in exchange for other scientific publications. Other copies will be available from the Superintendent of Documents by annual subscription or by purchase of individual copies. The prices have not been established, but we have been encouraged to believe that they will be quite reasonable.

During the coming months we will circularize each of the recipients of the *Fishery Bulletin* to determine whether they are eligible to continue to receive copies free of charge.

We welcome the change of the *Fishery Bulletin* from an irregularly issued serial to a quarterly. It will allow us to carry about twice as many papers per year as in the past. Our editorial policy remains unchanged—we hope to bring you each quarter significant scientific contributions in all the marine sciences.

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