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Contact Information for Observer Family Members

As a family member of a Northeast Fisheries Observer, we would like to provide you with their employer's contact information. In the event of an emergency and you cannot reach your family member by cell phone or e-mail, contact A.I.S. (the Observer Provider) at any of these numbers. Please recognize that communication at sea is limited and A.I.S. may not be able to make immediate contact.

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There are about 130 observers in the Northeast Fisheries Observer Program and nearly 1,000 observers nationwide. The work they do is critical to managing the nation's fisheries.

To learn more about the Observer Program visit our website at http://www.nefsc.noaa.gov/fsb/ and watch the documentary *Ties That Bind*.

Being an observer takes great dedication and personal sacrifice with its unique challenges, and yet it is rewarding in many ways. We appreciate the effort that observers put into their job and extend a welcome to their family members. If you have any concerns or questions regarding the program, please feel free to contact me at 508-495-2266 or at amy.martins@noaa.gov.

Sincerely,

Amy S. Martins, Branch Chief
Northeast Observer Program