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Courtney & Jennifer,

Please see the attached Marine Mammal Transfer/Transport Notification, requesting the transport of 8 Bottlenose dolphins, the request transports are as follows.

1.) We are requesting an emergency transport waiver for the following animals from Gulf World to Marine Land:

- Sandy (NOA0001323)
- Commet (NOA0006316)
- Capri (NOA0010052)
- Soleil (NOA0010320)

The target date for transport is 9 June 2025. The emergency transport is requested due to an unexpected dolphin fatality at the Gulf World facility has caused us to cease operations, and we need to evaluate the condition of the infrastructure that houses the dolphins. To do so, we need to relocate all of the marine mammals so that they have a safe living environment while we complete our assessment.

2.) We are requesting an emergency transport waiver for the following animals from Gulf World to Dolphin Connection:

- Luna (NOA0006261)
- Cajun (NOA0006395)
- Striker (NOA0006681)

The target date for transport is 9 June 2025. The emergency transport is requested due to an unexpected dolphin fatality at the Gulf World facility has caused us to cease operations, and we need to evaluate the condition of the infrastructure that houses the dolphins. To do so, we need to relocate all of the marine mammals so that they have a safe living environment while we complete our assessment.

We are requesting an emergency transport waiver for the following animals from Dolphin Connection to Miami Seaquarium:

- Boomer (NOA0010340)

The target date for transport is 9 June 2025. The emergency transport is requested due to an unexpected dolphin fatality at the Gulf World facility has caused us to cease operations, and transport dolphins to other facilities. Boomer would be a better fit, socially, at the Miami Seaquarium and Boomer will have better social counterparties at the Miami Seaquarium. The requested transport of the three bottlenose dolphins from Gulf World to Dolphin Connection make the move for Boomer logistically ideal, since the equipment and team will be in place and available to assist with the move.

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