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**Terms of Reference for the Peer Review
of the Endangered Species Act Draft Biological Report on the Proposed Designation of
Marine Critical Habitat for the Green Turtle, *Chelonia mydas***

Evaluate the adequacy, appropriateness, and application of data used in the Endangered Species Act Biological Report on the Proposed Designation of Marine Critical Habitat for the Green Turtle (i.e., the Biological Report).

1. In general, does the Biological Report include and cite the best scientific and commercial information available on the DPS, the features essential to its conservation (that may require special management consideration or protection), and the areas containing those features? If additional information is possible, please identify that information and how to attain it.

2. Are the areas identified and conservation benefit ratings factually supported by the information provided? Are the conclusions sound and logical?

3. Are there any essential features or areas containing essential features that were not identified in the Biological Report?

4. Do you disagree with any of the conservation benefit ratings or areas identified in the Biological Report? If so, please provide an explanation and data to support your suggestions.

5. If available, is opposing scientific information acknowledged and discussed? If available but not identified, please provide opposing scientific information.

6. Where there are uncertainties, are they clearly stated and assessed? If not, please identify uncertainties.

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