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Beverly and Jeffrey:

Thank you for creating the LineOff fishing line recycling and recovery device and sharing your product with me. Like you, the Ocean Conservancy is concerned about the amount of lost or discarded fishing line in the marine environment and is taking steps to address this problem. Currently we conduct monofilament cleanups (in places like the Florida Keys) and also work to implement MRRP—the Monofilament Recovery and Recycling Program. LineOff seems the perfect compliment to these programs!

The Ocean Conservancy supports any actions that anglers can take to reduce the amount of fishing line entering the marine environment. Whether it is changing spooled line more frequently to reduce likelihood of breakage, whether it is placing respoiled—or any other loose line—in a monofilament recycling bin, or whether it is helping with a monofilament cleanup; all of these activities will make a difference and protect our marine resources from potential entanglement with fishing line.

We encourage you to build partnerships with recreational fishing organizations, fishing guides, bait and tackle shops, and other innovative partnerships to promote the Monofilament Recovery and Recycling Programs, including the LineOff device.

Sincerely,

Jessica Koelsch
Florida Marine Wildlife Program Manager

The Ocean Conservancy strives to be the world's foremost advocate for the oceans. Through science-based advocacy, research, and public education, we inform, inspire and empower people to speak and act for the oceans.