applications received based on the criteria in the NOFA. As a result, HUD has funded the applications announced below, and in accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (103 Stat. 1987, 42 U.S.C. 3545), the Department is publishing details concerning the recipients of funding awards, as follows:

List of Awardees for Grant Assistance Under the FY 1996 Hispanic-Serving Institutions Work Study Program Funding Competition, by Name, Address, Phone Number, Grant Amount and Number of Students Funded

New York/New Jersey

1. Bronx Community College, Ms. Carin Savage, Bronx Community College, University Avenue and West 181st Street, Bronx, New York 10453, (718) 289–5184. Grant: \$209,760 to fund eight students.

2. Fiorella LaGuardia Community College, Dr. Harry N. Heinemann, Fiorella LaGuardia Community College, 31–10 Thomson Avenue, Long Island, NY 11101, (718) 482–5200. Grant: \$132,960 to fund eight students.

3. Hostos Community College, Dr. Carole Joseph, Hostos Community College, 500 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York 10451, (718) 518–6660. Grant: \$204,352 to fund eight students.

4. Hudson County Community College, Dr. Estelle F. Greenberg, Hudson County Community College, 25 Journal Square, Jersey City, NJ 07306. Grant: \$124,746 to fund eight students.

Southeast/Caribbean

5. Colegio Universitario del Este, Dr. Dulcinia Nunez, Colegio Universitario del Este, PO Box 2010, Carolina, PR 00984, (787) 257–7373, ext. 2100. Grant: \$172,840 to fund eight students.

6. Miami-Dade Community College, Ms. Isabel Rapp, Miami-Dade Community College, 300 NE. 2nd Avenue, Miami, FL 33132, (305) 237– 3015. Grant: \$206,952 to fund eight students.

Midwest

7. St. Augustine College, Dr. Joaquin Villegas, St. Augustine College, 1333 W. Argyle, Chicago, IL 60640, (773) 772– 1760. Grant: \$205,120 to fund eight students.

Southwest

8. Northern New Mexico Community College, Dr. Felicia Casados, Northern New Mexico Community College, 1002 N. Onate Street, Espanola, NM 87532, (505) 747–2142. Grant: \$211,200 to fund eight students. 9. Southwest Texas Junior College, Mrs. Gloria Rivera, Southwest Texas Junior College, 2401 Garner Field Road, Uvalde, TX 78801, (210) 591–7286. Grant: \$164,232 to fund eight students.

Rocky Mountain

10. Otero Junior College, Mr. Jeff Paolucci, Otero Junior College, 1802 Colorado Avenue, La Junta, CO 81050, (719) 384–6834. Grant: \$207,664 to fund eight students.

Pacific/Hawaii

11. Compton Community College, Dr. Ron Chapman, Compton Community College, 1111 E. Artesia Blvd., Compton, CA 90221, (310) 637–2660. Grant: \$173,280 to fund eight students.

12. Fresno City College, Dr. Dona Alpert, Fresno City College, 1525 E. Weldon Avenue, Fresno, CA 93704, (209) 244–5980. Grant: \$211,200 to fund eight students.

13. Los Angeles Harbor College, Dr. Clare Adams, Los Angeles Harbor College, 1111 Figueroa Place, Wilmington, CA 90744, (310) 522–8318. Grant: \$206,208 to fund eight students.

14. Los Angeles Trade Technical College, Dr. Denise Fairchild, Los Angeles Trade Technical College, 400 West Washington Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90015, (213) 744–9065. Grant: \$211,200 to fund eight students.

15. Rancho Santiago College, Dr. Gloria Guzman, Rancho Santiago College, 1530 W. 17th Street, Santa Ana, CA 92705, (714) 564–6810. Grant: \$211,200 to fund eight students.

Dated: February 6, 1997.

Michael A. Stegman,

Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research. [FR Doc. 97–3617 Filed 2–12–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4210–62–P

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Public Advisory Group Charter

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior. **ACTION:** Notice of Renewal of the Public Advisory Group Charter—Exxon Valdez Oil Spill.

SUMMARY: This notice is published in accordance with 41 CFR Part 101–6, section 101–6.1015(a), Committee establishment, reestablishment, or renewal.

Following the recommendation and approval of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council, the Secretary of the Interior hereby renews the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Public Advisory Group Charter to continue for two years, to October 22, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas Mutter, Department of the Interior, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance, 1689 "C" Street, Suite 119, Anchorage, Alaska, (907) 271–

5011.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 24. 1989, the T/V Exxon Valdez ran aground on Bligh Reef in Prince William Sound in Alaska spilling approximately 11 million gallons of North Slope crude oil. Oil moved into the Gulf of Alaska, along the Kenai coast to Kodiak Island and the Alaska Peninsula-some 600 miles from Bligh Reef. Massive clean-up and containment efforts were initiated and continue to 1992. On October 8, 1991, an agreement was approved by the United States District Court for the District of Alaska that settled claims of the United States and the State of Alaska against the Exxon Corporation and the Exxon Shipping Company for various criminal and civil violations. Under the civil settlement, Exxon companies agreed to pay to the governments \$900 million over a period of 10 years.

The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council was established to manage the funds obtained from the civil settlement of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill. The Trustee Council is composed of three State of Alaska trustees (Attorney General; Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation; and Commissioner, Department of Fish and Game) and three Federal representatives appointed by the Federal Trustees (Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture; the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and the Secretary, U.S. Department of the Interior).

The Public Advisory Group was created by Paragraph V.A.4 of the Memorandum of Agreement and Consent Decree entered into by the United States of America and the State of Alaska on August 27, 1991 and approved by the United States District Court for the District of Alaska in settlement of United States of America v. State of Alaska, Civil Action No. A91–081 CV. The Public Advisory Group was chartered by the Secretary of the Interior on October 23, 1992 and functions solely as an advisory body, and in compliance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. (1988).

The Public Advisory Group was established to advise the Trustee Council, and began functioning in October 1992. The Public Advisory Group consists of 17 members representing the following principal interests: sport hunting and fishing, environmental, public-at-large (5), recreation users, local government, science/academic, conservation, subsistence, commercial fishing, aquaculture, commercial tourism, forest products, and Native landowners. Members were appointed to serve a twoyear term.

To carry out its advisory role, the Advisory Group makes recommendations, to, and advises, the Trustee Council in Alaska on the following matters:

All decisions related to injury assessment, restoration activities, or other use of natural resource damage recovery monies obtained by the government, including all decisions regarding:

a. Planning, evaluation and allocation of available funds;

b. Planning, evaluation and conduct of injury assessment; and

c. Planning, evaluation and conduct of restoration activities.

Trustee Council intentions regarding the importance of obtaining a diversity of viewpoints is stated in the Public Advisory Group Background and Guidelines (March 1993, updated June 1994): "The Trustee Council intends that the Public Advisory Group be established as an important component of the Council's public involvement process." The Council continues, stating their desire that ''* * * a wide spectrum of views and interest are available for the Council to consider as it evaluates, develops, and implements restoration activities. It is the Council's intent that the diversity of interests and views held by the Public Advisory Group members contribute to wide ranging discussions that will be of benefit to the Trustee Council.'

In order to ensure that a broad range of public viewpoints continues to be available to the Trustee Council, and in keeping with the settlement agreement, the Public Advisory Group is being renewed for another two-year period.

Certification

I hereby certify that the renewal of the Charter of the Public Advisory Group, an advisory committee to make recommendations to and advise the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council in Alaska, is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties mandated by the settlement of *United States* v. *State of Alaska*, No. A91–081 CV, and is in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended and supplemented. Dated: January 28, 1997. Bruce Babbit, Secretary of the Interior. [FR Doc. 97–3588 Filed 2–12–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–10–M

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, et seq.):

Applicant: Michael Horovitz, Savannah, GA, PRT–824931.

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate commerce to acquire one radiated tortoise (*Geochelone radiata*) for the purpose of enhancement of the species through captive propagation.

Applicant: National Zoological Park, Washington, DC, PRT–824960

The applicant requests a permit authorizing the import of blood and tissue samples taken from wild black rhinoceros (*Diceros bicornis*) from South Africa for the purpose of scientific research and enhancement of survival of the species.

Applicant: Mary Katherine Gonder, New York, NY, PRT–810330.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to import hair samples of chimpanzee (*Pan troglodytes*) collected from zoo specimens and sleeping nests in Cameroon for enhancement of the species through scientific research.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act,* by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358–2104); FAX: (703/358–2281). Dated: February 7, 1997. Mary Ellen Amtower, *Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.* [FR Doc. 97–3513 Filed 2–12–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–55–P

Availability of an Environmental Assessment and Receipt of an Application Submitted by the Charles Ingram Lumber Company for an Incidental Take Permit for Redcockaded Woodpeckers in Association With Management Activities on Their Property in Florence County, South Carolina

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Charles Ingram Lumber Company (Applicant) has applied to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for an incidental take permit (ITP) pursuant to Section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Act), as amended. The proposed permit would authorize the incidental take of a Federally endangered species, the red cockaded woodpecker, Picoides borealis (RCW), known to occur on property owned by the Applicant in Florence County, South Carolina. The Applicant is requesting an ITP in order to harvest the timber on their property for economic reasons. The Applicant's property, known as Hoods Crossing, is located approximately five miles northwest of Pamplico in Florence County. The tract consists of 753 acres of which 364 acres is in pine plantation aged between 1-15 years, 382 acres in mature timber, and approximately 7 acres in ditches and roads. The proposed permit would authorize incidental take of a single RCW at Hoods Crossing in exchange for mitigation elsewhere as described further in the SUPPLEMENTARY **INFORMATION** section below.

The Service also announces the availability of an environmental assessment (EA) and habitat conservation plan (HCP) for the incidental take application. Copies of the EA and/or HCP may be obtained by making a request to the Regional Office (see ADDRESSES). This notice also advises the public that the Service has made a preliminary determination that issuing the ITP is not a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment within the meaning of Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended. The Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is