

products for which IPA is an input. See section 351.525(b)(5) of the Department's countervailing duty regulations concerning the attribution of subsidies. Therefore, we preliminarily determine that the grants provide no benefit to the production of IPA.

### III. Other Program Examined

#### Labor Training Grant

In its questionnaire response, Rotem reported that it had received a very small labor training grant as payment for hiring and training conducted in a prior period. In previous administrative reviews, we have found that this program was not used (see, e.g., 1994 *Final Results* and 1996 *Final Results*). Under section 351.524 of the countervailing duty regulations, grants for worker training are normally considered recurring and are expensed in the year of receipt. For purposes of this administrative review, we expensed this labor training grant and have found that any subsidy which could be calculated for this program would be so small (well under 0.005 percent *ad valorem*) that there would be no impact on the overall subsidy rate. Accordingly, because there would be no impact on the overall subsidy rate in the instant review, we do not consider it necessary to address the issue of specificity for purposes of this administrative review. See e.g., *Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination: Steel Wire Rod from Germany*, 62 FR 54990, 54995 (October 22, 1997), *Certain Carbon Steel Products from Sweden: Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review*, 62 FR 16549 (April 7, 1997), and *Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review: Live Swine from Canada*, 63 FR 2204 (January 14, 1998).

#### Preliminary Results of Review

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b), we calculated an individual subsidy rate for the producer/exporter subject to this administrative review. For the period January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998, we preliminarily determine the net subsidy for Rotem to be 4.26 percent *ad valorem*. If the final results of this review remain the same as these preliminary results, the Department intends to instruct the U.S. Customs Service (Customs) to assess countervailing duties as indicated above.

As a result of the International Trade Commission's determination that revocation of this countervailing duty order would not likely lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United

States in the reasonably foreseeable future, the Department, pursuant to section 751(d)(2) of the Act, revoked the countervailing duty order on IPA from Israel. See *Revocation Countervailing Duty Order: Industrial Phosphoric Acid from Israel*, 65 FR 114 (June 13, 2000). Pursuant to section 751(c)(6)(A)(iv) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.222(i)(2)(ii), the effective date of revocation was January 1, 2000. Accordingly, the Department has instructed Customs to discontinue suspension of liquidation and collection of cash deposits on entries of the subject merchandise entered or withdrawn from warehouse on or after January 1, 2000. The Department, however, will conduct administrative reviews of subject merchandise entered prior to the effective date of revocation in response to appropriately filed requests for review.

#### Public Comment

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.224(b), the Department will disclose to parties to the proceeding any calculations performed in connection with these preliminary results within five days after the date of publication of this notice. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309, interested parties may submit written comments in response to these preliminary results. Normally, case briefs are to be submitted within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice, and rebuttal briefs, limited to arguments raised in case briefs, are to be submitted no later than five days after the time limit for filing case briefs. Parties who submit argument in this proceeding are requested to submit with the argument: (1) A statement of the issues, and (2) a brief summary of the argument. Case and rebuttal briefs must be served on interested parties in accordance with 19 CFR 351.303(f). Also, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310, within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice, interested parties may request a public hearing on arguments to be raised in the case and rebuttal briefs. Unless the Secretary specifies otherwise, the hearing, if requested, will be held two days after the date for submission of rebuttal. Representatives of parties to the proceeding may request disclosure of proprietary information under administrative protective order no later than ten days after the representative's client or employer becomes a party to the proceeding, but in no event later than the date case briefs, under 19 CFR 351.309(c)(ii), are due. The Department will publish the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of issues raised in any case or rebuttal brief or at a hearing. These

preliminary results are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1) and 19 U.S.C. 1677f(i)(1)).

Dated: August 25, 2000.

**Troy H. Cribb,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### Closed Meeting of the U.S. Automotive Parts Advisory Committee (APAC)

**AGENCY:** International Trade Administration, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The APAC will have a closed meeting on September 19, 2000, at the U.S. Department of Commerce to discuss U.S.-made automotive parts sales in Japanese and other Asian markets.

**DATES:** September 19, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Robert Reck, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 4036, Washington, D.C. 20230, telephone: 202-482-1418.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The U.S. Automotive Parts Advisory Committee (the "Committee") advises U.S. Government officials on matters relating to the implementation of the Fair Trade in Automotive Parts Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-261). The Committee: (1) Reports to the Secretary of Commerce on barriers to sales of U.S.-made automotive parts and accessories in Japanese and other Asian markets; (2) reviews and considers data collected on sales of U.S.-made auto parts and accessories in Japanese and other Asian markets; (3) advises the Secretary of Commerce during consultations with other Governments on issues concerning sales of U.S.-made automotive parts in Japanese and other Asian markets; and (4) assists in establishing priorities for the initiative to increase sales of U.S.-made auto parts and accessories to Japanese markets, and otherwise provide assistance and direction to the Secretary of Commerce in carrying out the intent of that section; and (5) assists the Secretary of Commerce in reporting to Congress by submitting an annual written report to the Secretary on the sale of U.S.-made automotive parts in Japanese and other Asian markets, as well as any other issues with respect to which the Committee provides advice

pursuant to its authorizing legislation. At the meeting, committee members will discuss specific trade and sales expansion programs related to automotive parts trade policy between the United States and Japan and other Asian markets.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Counsel formally determined on August 31, 2000, pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the September 19 meeting of the Committee and of any subcommittee thereof, dealing with privileged or confidential commercial information may be exempt from the provisions of the Act relating to open meeting and public participation therein because these items are concerned with matters that are within the purview of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) and (9)(B). A copy of the Notice of Determination is available for public inspection and copying in the Department of Commerce Records Inspection Facility, Room 6020, Main Commerce.

Dated: August 31, 2000.

**Henry P. Misisco,**

*Director, Office of Automotive Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Marine Mammals; File No. 984-1587

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Terrie M. Williams, Ph.D., Department of Biology, University of California at Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, CA 95064 has applied in due form for a permit to take Atlantic bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops truncatus*) and California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*) for purposes of scientific research.

**DATES:** Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before October 6, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130,

Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); and

Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (562/980-4001).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Ruth Johnson or Simona Roberts, 301/713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The applicant proposes to examine the physiological response of dolphins and sea lions during swimming and diving. Testing will involve measuring locomotor, thermal and maintenance costs in animals. Data from these animals will be compared to similar results reported for a wide variety of mammals differing in aquatic specialization from terrestrial to semi-aquatic and finally to other species of marine mammal.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301) 713-0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period. Please note that comments will not be accepted by e-mail or by other electronic media.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: August 30, 2000.

**Eugene Nitta,**

*Acting Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Meeting of the Advisory Panel To Assess the Capabilities for Domestic Response to Terrorist Attacks Involving Weapons of Mass Destruction

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and summary agenda for the next meeting of the Panel to Assess the Capabilities for Domestic Response to Terrorist Attacks Involving Weapons of Mass Destruction. Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. (Pub. L. 92-463).

**DATES:** September 28 & 29, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Executive Conference Center, Library of Virginia, 800 East Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219-8000.

*Proposed Schedule and Agenda:* Panel to Assess the Capabilities for Domestic Response to Terrorist Attacks Involving Weapons of Mass Destruction will meet from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. on September 28, 2000, and from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on September 29, 2000. Time will be allocated for public comments by individuals or organizations.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** RAND provides information about this Panel on its web site at <http://www.rand.org/organization/nsrd/terrpanel>; it can also be reached at (703) 413-1100 extension 5282. Public comment presentations will be limited to two minutes each and must be provided in writing prior to the meeting. Mail written presentations and requests to register to attend the open public session to: Priscilla Schlegel, RAND, 1200 South Hayes Street, Arlington, VA 22202-5050. Public seating for this meeting is limited, and is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Dated: August 30, 2000.

**L.M. Bynum,**

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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