

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration****The Manufacturing Council: Work Session of the Manufacturing Council**

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of an Open Work Session.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and agenda for an open work session of the Manufacturing Council (Council). The agenda may change to accommodate Council work. The final agenda will be posted on the Department of Commerce Web site for the Council at <http://trade.gov/manufacturingcouncil>.

DATES: May 10, 2012, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Central Daylight Time (CDT).

ADDRESSES: The work session will be held at Freescale Austin Technology and Manufacturing Center, 3501 Ed Bluestein Boulevard, Austin, Texas. All guests are requested to register in advance. This session will be physically accessible to people with disabilities. Seating is limited and is not guaranteed. Requests for sign language interpretation, other auxiliary aids, or pre-registration, should be submitted no later than May 7, 2012, to Jennifer Pilat, the Manufacturing Council, Room 4043, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone 202–482–4501, OACIE@trade.gov. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Pilat, the Manufacturing Council, Room 4043, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone: 202–482–4501, email: OACIE@trade.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Council was re-chartered on April 5, 2012 to advise the Secretary of Commerce on matters relating to the U.S. manufacturing industry.

Topics To Be Considered: The Council will be conducting work regarding possibly advising the Secretary regarding the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement negotiations and energy policy and hear updates on the work being conducted by the Council's subcommittees. The Council will also be briefed by the ex-officio members present representing the Secretaries of the Treasury, Labor, and Energy on their respective agency's work in the areas of past Council recommendations.

No time will be available for oral comments from members of the public attending the session. Any member of the public may submit pertinent written comments concerning the Council's affairs at any time before or after the session.

Comments may be submitted to Jennifer Pilat at the contact information indicated above. To be considered during the session, comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on May 7, 2012, to ensure transmission to the Council prior to the session.

Comments received after that date will be distributed to the members but may not be considered at the session.

Dated: May 2, 2012.

Jennifer Pilat,

Executive Secretary, The Manufacturing Council.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Atlantic Highly Migratory Species Tournament Registration and Reporting**

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 6, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at Jjessup@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Katie Davis, (727) 824–5399 or Katie.Davis@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This request is for extension of a currently approved information collection.

Under the provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is responsible for management of the nation's marine fisheries. Existing regulations require operators of tournaments involving Atlantic highly migratory species (HMS), specifically Atlantic swordfish, sharks, billfish, and tunas, to register four weeks in advance of the tournament. Operators must provide contact information and the tournament's date(s), location(s), and target HMS. If selected by NMFS, operators are required to submit an HMS tournament summary report within seven days after tournament fishing has ended. Most of the catch data in the summary report is routinely collected in the course of regular tournament operations. NMFS uses the data to estimate the total annual catch of HMS and the impact of tournament operations in relation to other types of fishing activities. In addition, HMS tournament registration provides a method for tournament operators to request educational and regulatory outreach materials from NMFS.

II. Method of Collection

Operators have a choice of either electronic or paper forms. Methods of submittal include email of electronic forms, and mail and facsimile transmission of paper forms.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648–0323.
Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission (extension of a current information collection).

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 300.

Estimated Time Per Response: Tournament registration, 2 minutes; tournament summary reporting, 20 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 110.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$135 in recordkeeping/reporting costs.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including

whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 2, 2012.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XC017

Fishing Capacity Reduction Program for the Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Salmon Fishery

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

ACTION: Notice of reduction payment tender of Southeast Alaska purse seine salmon permits.

SUMMARY: The National Marine Fisheries Service published regulations implementing a fishing capacity reduction program in the Southeast Alaska purse seine salmon fishery. The program authorizes NMFS to make payments to permit holders who voluntarily relinquish their fishing permits. The Southeast Revitalization Association (SRA) conducted a bid selection process accepting sixty-four bids to remove Southeast Alaska purse seine salmon permits. It then submitted a reduction plan to NMFS to implement the program. NMFS conducted a referendum which approved the reduction loan repayment fees of \$13,133,030 which post-reduction harvesters will repay over a 40-year period removing 64 permits. Accordingly, NMFS is preparing to tender reduction payments to the accepted bidders.

DATES: The public has until June 6, 2012 to inform NMFS of any holding, owning, or retaining claims that conflict with the representations of bids as presented by the SRA.

ADDRESSES: Send comments about this notice to Paul Marx, Chief, Financial Services Division, NMFS, Attn: SE Alaska Purse Seine Salmon Buyback, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael A. Sturtevant at (301) 427-8799, fax (301) 713-1306, or michael.a.sturtevant@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Southeast Alaska purse seine salmon fishery is a commercial fishery in Alaska state waters and adjacent Federal waters. It encompasses the commercial taking of salmon with purse seine gear, and participation is limited to fishermen designated by the Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC).

NMFS published proposed program regulations on May 23, 2011 (76 FR 29707), and final program regulations on October 6, 2011 (76 FR 61986), to implement the reduction program. Subsequently, the Southeast Revitalization Association submitted a capacity reduction plan to NMFS. NMFS approved the plan on February 24, 2012. NMFS published the list of eligible voters on March 1, 2012 (77 FR 12568) and the notice of referendum period on March 29, 2012 (77 FR 19004). Interested persons should review these for further program details.

II. Present Status

NMFS conducted a referendum to determine the industry's willingness to repay a fishing capacity reduction loan to purchase the permits identified in the reduction plan. NMFS mailed ballots to 379 permanent permit holders in the fishery designated as S01A by CFEC who were eligible to vote in the referendum. The voting period opened on March 30, 2012, and closed on April 30, 2012. NMFS received 269 timely and valid votes. 215 of the votes approved the fees. This exceeded the majority of permit holders (190) required for industry fee system approval. Therefore, the referendum is deemed successful and permit holders are deemed to have approved the industry fee system. Accordingly, the reduction contracts are in full force and effect and NMFS is now preparing to tender and disburse reduction payments to selected bidders.

III. Purpose

NMFS publishes this notice to inform the public before tendering reduction payments to the 64 accepted bidders. Upon receiving notice from CFEC that the permit has been relinquished and is no longer valid, NMFS will tender reduction payments on or about June 6, 2012. When NMFS tenders a reduction payment to a selected bidder, the selected bidder must permanently stop all further fishing represented by each reduction permit the bidder has relinquished. The selected bidder, in accordance with section 5 of the relinquishment contract, must notify all creditors or other parties with security interests in the reduction permit, that they have entered into the relinquishment contract.

This notice provides the public (including creditors or other parties) 30 days from publication of this notice to advise NMFS in writing of any holding, owning, or retaining claims that conflict with the representations of bids as presented by the SRA.

IV. Selected Bidders and Permits

The table below lists the 64 permit holders who will receive reduction payments when NMFS receives confirmation from CFEC that the specified permits have been relinquished.

Last name	First name	Permit No.
Alfieri	Joe	S01A60791I
Alfieri	Anthony	S01A55646M
Barrett	Davis	S01A58501W
Beritch	Mitchell	S01A58923M
Bill	David	S01A58338U
Blair	Andrew	S01A59085F
Botsford	Wallace	S01A63175B
Buschmann ..	Ronn	S01A55479D
Christensen ..	Dale	S01A60803V
DeGroen	Johnny	S01A58505S
Demmert	Nicholas	S01A56948W
Dontos	Larry	S01A59705K
Fanning	Christine	S01A60909J
Finney	Paul	S01A64933S
Gruenheit	Michael	S01A55083V
Haldane	Robert	S01A56620L
Haltiner	Fred	S01A55617L
Hansen	William	S01A55442A
Hanson	Jeff	S01A57976
Haynes	Bradley	S01A574950
Jensen	Douglas	S01A59714N
Johns	Justna	S01A55403
Jolibois	Timothy	S01A56018A
Jurlin	Marie	S01A58547R
Kohlase	Ernest	S01A56199V
Krieger	Kenneth	S01A59613M
Krigbaum	Michael	S01A58031W
Kvernvik	Carolyn	S01A55231R
MacDonald ...	Clifford	S01A55545L
Mann	Bruce	S01A56187
Manos	Andrew	S01A59222I
Manos	Thomas	S01A60642C
Maricich	Timothy	S01A59569W
Markusen	Kenneth	S01A55584K