

recommend practices in the management and selection of systems. The earliest of these guidelines is nearly twenty years old, and the most recent guideline is ten years old. Information technology has changed considerably since they were issued during the era of centralized computing on mainframe computers. Today, Federal organizations use a wide variety of hardware, software, distributed systems, and networks, and there are many sources of information on all aspects of managing these resources.

NIST believes that it would not be cost effective to revise these standards and guidelines, thereby duplicating information that is broadly available from a variety of sources. Withdrawal means that the FIPS standards and guidelines will no longer be part of a subscription service that is provided by the National Technical Information Service, and that NIST will no longer be able to revise or answer questions about the FIPS.

Current voluntary industry standards should be used by agencies in their procurement actions where appropriate, in accordance with OMB Circular A-119, Federal Participation and Use of Voluntary Industry Standards. NIST will continue to provide information about good information technology practices through publications, electronic bulletin boards and Internet pages.

Prior to the submission of this proposed withdrawal to the Secretary of Commerce for review and approval, it is essential to assure that consideration is given to the needs and views of manufacturers, the public, and State and local governments. The purpose of this notice is to solicit such views.

Interested parties may obtain copies of these standards and guidelines from the National Technical Information Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, Springfield, VA 22161, telephone (703) 487-4650.

DATE: Comments on this proposed withdrawal of these FIPS must be received on or before December 2, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments concerning the withdrawal should be sent to: Director, Computer Systems Laboratory, ATTN: Proposed Withdrawal of 32 FIPS, Technology Building, Room A-231, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899. Electronic comments should be sent to: fips.comments@nist.gov.

Comments received in response to this notice will be made part of the public record and will be made available for inspection and copying in

the Central Reference and Records Inspection Facility, Room 6020, Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Shirley M. Radack, telephone (301) 975-2833, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.

Authority: Federal Information Processing Standards Publications (FIPS PUBS) are issued by the National Institute of Standards and Technology after approval by the Secretary of Commerce pursuant to Section 5131 of the Information Technology Management Reform Act of 1996 and the Computer Security Act of 1987, Public Law 104-106.

Dated: August 28, 1996.

Samuel Kramer,

Associate Director.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) and its Demersal Species Committee, together with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's (ASMFC) Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Board, and the Law Enforcement Committee will hold a public meeting. There will also be opportunity for Council to hear comments on the Maine mahogany ocean quahog experimental fishery.

DATES: The meetings will be held on September 17-19, 1996. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Doubletree Guest Suites, 4101 Island Avenue, Philadelphia, PA; telephone: (215) 365-6600.

Council Address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David R. Keifer, Executive Director; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 17, the Council will hold

Election of Officers between 8:00-8:30 a.m. From 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., the Demersal Species Committee will meet with the ASMFC Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Board as a Council Committee of the Whole. On September 18, the Demersal Species Committee with the ASMFC Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Board will meet again until noon. The full Council will meet from 1:00-4:00 p.m. The Enforcement Committee will meet from 4:00-5:00 p.m. On September 19, the Council will meet from 8:00 a.m. until early afternoon.

The NMFS Northeast Regional Administrator is seeking comment on a proposed experimental fishery for mahogany ocean quahogs in the Gulf of Maine. This experiment was jointly requested by the Council and the State of Maine to test the operational aspects of a management program under consideration for this fishery. This experimental fishery will provide information on the logistical operation of this management program prior to its adoption for implementation by the Council. Written comments must be received by this date.

The purpose of this meeting is to decide the 1997 allowable catch, commercial quota, commercial management measures, and recreational target harvest levels for summer flounder and scup; adopt the scup regulatory amendment for Secretarial approval; consider enforceable regulations for filleting at sea, and other fishery management matters.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Joanna Davis at least 5 days prior to the meeting dates.

Dated: August 26, 1996.

Gary C. Matlock,

Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Issuance of modification 2 to permit 921 (P503P) and notification of withdrawal of an application for a permit (P510C).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that NMFS has issued a modification to a permit that authorizes takes of an Endangered Species Act-listed species for the purpose of scientific research/enhancement, subject to certain conditions set forth therein, to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game at Boise, ID (IDFG) and has received a notification of withdrawal of an application for an incidental take permit from the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes at Fort Hall, ID (SBT).

ADDRESSES: The applications and related documents are available for review in the following offices, by appointment:

Office of Protected Resources, F/PR8, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401); and

Environmental and Technical Services Division, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232-4169 (503-230-5400).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The modification to a permit was issued under the authority of section 10 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) and the NMFS regulations governing ESA-listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-222).

An application was submitted by IDFG (P503P) for modification 2 to scientific research/enhancement permit 921. Modification 2 to permit 921 was issued to IDFG on August 2, 1996. Permit 921 authorizes IDFG annual takes of adult and juvenile, threatened, Snake River spring/summer chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) associated with a supplementation program at McCall Hatchery. For Modification 2, IDFG is authorized to allow a proportion of the adult, ESA-listed, natural-origin fish that are released upstream of IDFG's weir at the South Fork of the Salmon River each year for natural spawning to migrate volitionally to their respective spawning locations. IDFG may transport the remaining adult, ESA-listed, natural-origin fish to be released for natural spawning to Stolle Meadows. Previously, NMFS had required IDFG to transport all of the adult, ESA-listed, natural-origin fish to be released for natural spawning to Stolle Meadows. Modification 2 is valid for the duration of the permit. Permit 921 expires on December 31, 1998.

Notice was published on June 20, 1996 (61 FR 31510) that an application had been filed by SBT (P510C) for an incidental take permit. SBT requested a 5-year permit for an annual incidental take of juvenile, threatened, Snake River

spring/summer chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) associated with a study designed to determine the distribution and abundance of bull trout (*Salvelinus confluentus*) in the Herd Creek watershed of the East Fork Salmon River and Burnt Creek of the Pahsimeroi River. NMFS has received notification that SBT would like to withdraw their request for an incidental take permit. SBT now believe that their sampling in the East Fork Salmon River drainage will not result in a take of ESA-listed salmon because no chinook salmon redds or parr were observed recently in the areas where SBT propose to conduct their research. Furthermore, SBT will survey their chosen research sites by snorkeling prior to sampling to confirm the absence of ESA-listed fish.

Issuance of the permit modification, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such action: (1) Was requested in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the ESA-listed species that is the subject of the permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA and the NMFS regulations governing ESA-listed species permits.

Dated: August 27, 1996.

Robert C. Ziobro,

*Acting Chief, Endangered Species Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Prospective Exclusive or Partially Exclusive License(s); Davis Liquid Crystals, Inc. and Thermographic Measurements Incorporated

SUMMARY: Davis Liquid Crystals, Inc. has applied for an exclusive license to practice the Government-owned invention described in U.S. Patent No. 5,480,482 entitled "Reversible Thermochromic Pigments" issued January 2, 1996, and Thermographic Measurements Incorporated has also applied for an exclusive license to practice the same invention. The Department of the Navy is considering the granting to either one or both of these entities of revocable, nonassignable, exclusive or partially exclusive license(s) to practice this invention in the United States.

Anyone wishing to object to the granting of licenses to either or both of these prospective licensees has 60 days

from the date of this notice to file written objections along with supporting evidence, if any. Written objections are to be filed with the Office of Naval Research, ONR 00CC, Ballston Tower One, Arlington, Virginia 22217-5660.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. R. J. Erickson, Staff Patent Attorney, Office of Naval Research, ONR 00CC, Ballston Tower One, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, Virginia 22217-5660, telephone (703) 696-4001.

Dated: August 22, 1996.

D. E. Koenig,

*LCDR, JAGC, USN, Federal Register Liaison
Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Resources Group, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 4, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere