

Country	Program(s)	Gross ¹ subsidy	Net ² subsidy
Belgium	EU Restitution Payments	0.09	0.09
Canada	Export Assistance on Certain Types of Cheese	0.26	0.26
Denmark	EU Restitution Payments	0.16	0.16
Finland	EU Restitution Payments	0.30	0.30
France	EU Restitution Payments	0.04	0.04
Germany	EU Restitution Payments	0.24	0.24
Greece	EU Restitution Payments	0.00	0.00
Ireland	EU Restitution Payments	0.17	0.17
Italy	EU Restitution Payments	0.04	0.04
Luxembourg	EU Restitution Payments	0.09	0.09
Netherlands	EU Restitution Payments	0.11	0.11
Norway	Indirect (Milk) Subsidy	0.40	0.40
	Consumer Subsidy	0.18	0.18
	Total	0.18	0.18
Portugal	EU Restitution Payments	0.12	0.12
Spain	EU Restitution Payments	0.03	0.03
Switzerland	Deficiency Payments	0.32	0.32
U.K.	EU Restitution Payments	0.10	0.10

¹ Defined in 19 U.S.C. 1677(5).

² Defined in 19 U.S.C. 1677(6).

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Notice of Prospective Grant of Exclusive Patent License; Thorlabs, Inc.

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of prospective grant of exclusive patent license.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology ("NIST"), U.S. Department of Commerce, is contemplating the grant of a field of use exclusive license in the United States to practice the invention embodied in U.S. Patent Application 08/802,607; "Axial Translation Precision Position Post;" filed February 19, 1997; NIST Docket No. 96-043. The grant of the license, in the field of use of optics, photonics, and laser research, is contemplated to Thorlabs, Inc., having a place of business in Newton, New Jersey.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing no later than March 2, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the Prospective Grant must be submitted to: Ernest Graf, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Industrial Partnerships Program, Building 820, Room 213, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ernest R. Graf, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Industrial

Partnerships Program, Building 820, Room 213, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a notice in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c)(1) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i). The prospective exclusive license, in the field of use of optics, photonics, and laser research, will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The license may be granted unless, within sixty days from the date of this published notice, NIST receives written evidence and argument which establish that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The availability of the invention for licensing was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 120 (June 23, 1997).

U.S. Patent Application 08/802,607 describes a positioning post and precision translation mechanism for use in optic experiments and other scientific and engineering research. The positioning post is a translation stage contained within a 12.7 mm diameter cylinder. One end of the cylinder will translate relative to the other with minimal rotation, backlash, and wobble. Several positioning posts may be used in series to provide multi-axis positioning. A copy of the patent application may be obtained from NIST at the foregoing address.

NIST may enter into a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) to perform further research on the invention for purposes of commercialization. The CRADA may be conducted by NIST without any additional charge to any party that licenses the patent. NIST may grant the

licensee an option to negotiate for royalty-free exclusive licenses to any jointly owned inventions which arise from the CRADA as well as an option to negotiate for exclusive royalty-bearing licenses for NIST employee inventions which arise from the CRADA.

Dated: December 23, 1997.

Michael R. Rubin,

Deputy Chief Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 122397A]

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements; Public Workshop

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

ACTION: Notice of workshop.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces a workshop to explain provisions of the 1998 recordkeeping and reporting requirements for the Alaska groundfish fisheries, introduce the proposed electronic reporting system, provide detailed instructions on completion and submittal of the required forms and logsheets, and answer questions on recordkeeping and reporting from members of the fishing industry and other interested parties.

DATES: January 6, 1998, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at the NMFS Alaska Fisheries Science Center, Building 9, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE., Seattle, Washington.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patsy A. Bearden, 907-586-7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This workshop is scheduled by NMFS in response to requests by the affected fishing industry for a training workshop on the groundfish recordkeeping and reporting system.

Dated: December 23, 1997.

Gary C. Matlock,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 122397B]

Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Receipt of applications for scientific research permits (1112, 1113) and for a modification to a scientific research permit (1025).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center, Tiburon, CA (1112) and that Dr. Sylvia Galloway, Laboratory Director of the National Ocean Service - Marine Forensics Laboratory (1113) have applied in due form for permits for take of an endangered species for scientific research purposes. Notice is also given that the California Department of Fish and Game at Sacramento, CA (CDFG) has applied in due form for a second modification to a permit (1025) providing authorization for takes of an endangered species for scientific research purposes.

DATES: Written comments or requests for a public hearing on either of these applications must be received on or before January 30, 1998.

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

For permits 1025 and 1112: Protected Species Division, NMFS, 777 Sonoma Avenue, Room 325, Santa Rosa, CA 95404-6528 (707-575-6064).

For permit 1113: Director, Southeast Region, NMFS, NOAA, 9721 Executive

Center Drive, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432 (813-893-3141).

All documents may also be reviewed by appointment in the Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For permits 1025 and 1112: Lisa Holsinger at Protected Species Division, NMFS, 777 Sonoma Avenue, Room 325, Santa Rosa, CA 95404-6528 (707-575-6064).

For permit 1113: Terri Jordan, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, (301-713-1401).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center (1112) and Dr. Sylvia Galloway, Laboratory Director of the National Ocean Service - Marine Forensics Laboratory (1113) request permits, and CDFG (1025) requests modification 2 to permit 1025, 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 217-227).

NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center (1112) requests a scientific research permit for a take of juvenile, endangered, Sacramento River winter-run chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) associated with a study designed to determine the interannual variability of growth, development, health, and ecology of juvenile salmonids within the San Francisco Estuary and the Gulf of the Farallones. Parameters to be estimated include residence times and migration rates of juvenile salmonids through the estuary and growth, energy status, pathology, feeding ecology, and contaminant accumulation during residence in the estuary and Gulf. A small number of juvenile, ESA-listed, naturally-produced, winter-run chinook salmon are proposed to be collected (with midwater trawl, surface trawl, high-speed rope trawl, purse seine, beach seine, and hook-and-line). The permit is requested for 1998 through 2003.

Dr. Sylvia Galloway, Laboratory Director of the National Ocean Service - Marine Forensics Laboratory (1113) requests authorization to possess and conduct research on listed, non-marine mammal, non-reptilian species using tissue samples (fin clips, barbels, blood, muscle, skin) to provide technical support that is responsive to NOAA goals involving protected and endangered species, via law enforcement. The applicant requests the ability to maintain samples of listed non-marine mammal, non-reptilian species obtained from permitted individuals and by Federal, state, or

local law enforcement agents for archival purposes.

Permit 1025 authorizes CDFG annual takes of adult and juvenile, endangered, naturally-produced Sacramento River winter-run chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) associated with scientific research. For modification 2, CDFG requests an increase in the take of juvenile, ESA-listed fish associated with Study 1 of their permit. CDFG greatly underestimated the take associated with this study for the 1997 brood year and hence, exceeded their take authorization for this study. Study 1 evaluates the timing and relative abundance of juvenile anadromous salmonids emigrating to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. An increase in indirect mortalities of juvenile, ESA-listed fish associated with study 1 is also requested. Modification 2 to permit 1025 is requested for the 1997-1998 emigration season only. Permit 1025 expires on June 30, 2001.

Those individuals requesting a hearing should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on any of these applications would be appropriate (see **ADDRESSES**). The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in these application summaries are those of the applicants and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Dated: December 23, 1997.

Joseph Blum,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)

Advisory Committee on Public Interest Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters; Notice of Open Meeting

December 31, 1997.

ACTION: Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Public Interest Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters, created pursuant to Executive Order 13038.

SUMMARY: The President established the Advisory Committee on Public Interest Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters (PIAC) to advise the Vice President on the public interest