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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Nina Petrovich, SC Sea Grant Coastal Program Coordinator, NOAA Coastal Services Center, 2234 South Hobson Avenue, Charleston SC 29405. Phone (843) 740-1203, Email: npetrovich@csc.noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Coastal Services Center (CSC) will be requesting general Office of Management Budget (OMB) clearance for the use of product and training services evaluation forms. CSC produces an estimated 10 CD-ROMs and 4 newsletters annually; for all of these products CSC plans to include product evaluation forms. In addition, the Coastal Training Institute coordinates an average of 10 workshops, conferences and/or training courses annually. In an effort to comply with the 1993 Executive Order entitled Setting Customer Service Standards and CSC's annual performance standards, these evaluation forms will allow the Center to: (excerpted from the Executive Order)

- Determine the quality of services provided to our customers.
- Determine customers' level of satisfaction with existing services.
- Provide customers with choices in both the sources of services and the means of delivery.
- Make information, services, and complaint systems easily accessible, and
- Provide a means by which to address customer complaints.

All customer product evaluation forms are voluntary, distributed in conjunction with a specific product, and are accessible via the CSC home page. The annual burden of hours for product evaluations is calculated using an individual response time of 20 minutes. The official clearance request will include an expanded list of questions to address all product types. Each time a CSC product has been completed, specific questions will be chosen as appropriate from the expanded list and tailored to create that product's evaluation form.

The Coastal Training Institute's evaluations are distributed strictly to conference attendees. Response is voluntary and the forms are usually completed on site. The annual burden of hours is based on an individual response time of 20 minutes. The official clearance request will include an expanded list of questions to address

all training sessions. Each time a training session has been completed, specific questions will be chosen as appropriate from the expanded list and tailored to create that session's evaluation form.

II. Method of Collection

Written evaluation forms are distributed to all attendees of workshops or training sessions and are completed on site. Product evaluation forms will be distributed with the products.

III. Data

OMB Number: None.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: State, local, or tribal government (coastal managers from the following programs or agencies: Coastal Zone Management Programs, National Estuarine Research Reserve Sites, National Marine Sanctuaries, Sea Grant Institutions, Natural Resource Management Agencies, and local governments officials and planning boards from coastal communities).

Estimated Number of Respondents: For training services—350; for product evaluation—2,200.

Estimated Time Per Response: 20 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 117 for training services, 733 for product evaluations.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0 (no capital expenditures are required).

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: August 12, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (DOC) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 USC Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Survey of Intent and Capacity to Process Fish and Shellfish.

Agency Form Number(s): None assigned.

OMB Approval Number: 0648-0235.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 10 hours.

Number of Respondents: 54.

Avg. Hours Per Response: 15 minutes for the Atlantic mackerel, squid, and butterfish survey; 5 minutes for the Atlantic surf clam and ocean quahog survey.

Needs and Uses: Domestic processors and joint venture operators involved in either the Surf Clam/Ocean Quahog fishery or the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish fishery are surveyed to determine their intent and capacity to process these species. NOAA is required by law to determine the intent and capacity to harvest and process the allowed level of catch. If the U.S. industry will not fully utilize the allowable harvest, suitable levels for joint ventures or direct foreign fishing may be established.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations, individuals.

Frequency: On occasion, annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent

within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (DOC) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Application to Shuck Surf Clams/Ocean Quahogs at Sea.

Agency Form Number(s): None assigned.

OMB Approval Number: 0648-0240.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 2 hours.

Number of Respondents: 2 (multiple responses).

Avg. Hours Per Response: 5 minutes.

Needs and Uses: Vessel owners who wish to shuck their surf clam/ocean quahog catch while at sea must apply for a permit to do so. The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) requires a permit so that it can identify vessels seeking to do so and to place a NMFS-approved observer aboard those vessels. An observer is necessary because the shucking of catch at sea makes it difficult to track the catch against harvest quotas.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations, individuals.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Surf Clam/Ocean Quahog Transfer Log.

Agency Form Number(s): None assigned.

OMB Approval Number: 0648-0238.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 52 hours.

Number of Respondents: 206 (multiple responses).

Avg. Hours Per Response: 5 minutes.

Needs and Uses: Persons holding Individual Transferable Quotas (ITQs) in the surf clam/ocean quahog fishery are annually issued an allowed quota for harvest. Individual allocations are transferable to other fishermen, but the ITQ holder must register such a transfer in advance with the National Marine Fisheries Service. The information registered is used for enforcement purposes.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations, individuals.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Public Hearing on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Management Plan for the Proposed Grand Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve in Mississippi

AGENCY: Sanctuaries and Reserves Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Public Hearing Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Sanctuaries and Reserves Division, of the Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), U.S. Department of Commerce, will hold a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Management Plan (DEIS/DMP) prepared on the proposed designation of the Grand Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve in Mississippi. The DEIS/DMP addresses research, monitoring, education and resource protection needs for the proposed reserve.

The Sanctuaries and Reserves Division will hold a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on September 2, 1998, at the East Jackson Community Center, 9313 Old Stage Road, Pascagoula, Mississippi 39581.

The views of interested persons and organizations on the adequacy of the DEIS/DMP are solicited, and may be expressed orally and/or in written statements. Presentations will be scheduled on a first-come, first-heard basis, and may be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes. The time allotment may be extended before the hearing when the number of speakers can be