

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST's) Manufacturing Extension Partnership National Advisory Board (MEPNAB) will meet to hold a meeting on Wednesday, January 13, 1999. The MEPNAB is composed of nine members appointed by the Director of NIST who were selected for their expertise in the area of industrial extension and their work on behalf of smaller manufacturers. The Board was set up, under the direction of the Director of the NIST, to fill a need for outside input on MEP. MEP is a unique program consisting of centers in all 50 states and Puerto Rico. The centers have been created by a state, federal and local partnership. The Board works closely with the MEP to provide input and advice on MEP's programs, plans and policies. The purpose of this meeting is to delve into areas the Board selected at the previous meeting. The agenda includes a presentation on "1999: The Year of the Small Manufacturer", MEP 1999 Program Priorities, an overview of the Year 2000 initiative, and a status update on the Board's Subcommittee, Review of Center Evaluation. The portion of the meeting, which involves personnel and proprietary budget information, will be closed to the public. All other portions of the meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES AND ADDRESSES:** The meeting will convene on January 13, 1999, at 8 a.m. and will adjourn at 3:30 p.m. and will be held at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Building 101, Lecture Room B, Gaithersburg, Maryland. The closed portion of the meeting is scheduled from 8-9:30 a.m.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Assistant Secretary for Administration with the concurrence of the General Counsel formally determined on December 21, 1998, pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, that these portions of the meeting may be properly closed because they are concerned with matters that are within the purview of 5 U.S.C. 522(c)(4), (6) and (9)(b). A copy of the determination is available for public inspection in the Central Reference and Records Inspection Facility, Room 6219, Maine Commerce.

MEP's services to smaller manufacturers address the needs of the national market as well as the unique needs of each company. Since MEP is committed to providing this type of individualized service through its centers, the program requires the perspective of locally based experts to

be incorporated into its national plans. The MEPNAB was established at the direction of the NIST Director to maintain MEP's focus on local and market-based needs. The MEPNAB was approved on October 24, 1996, in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2., to provide advice on MEP programs, plans, and policies; to assess the soundness of MEP plans and strategies; to assess the current performance against MEP program plans, and to function in an advisory capacity. The Board will meet three times a year and reports to the Director of NIST. This will be the first meeting of the MEPNAB in 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Linda Acierto, Assistant to the Director for Policy, Manufacturing Extension Partnership, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, telephone number (301) 975-5033.

Dated: January 7, 1999.

**Robert E. Hebner,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 010599D]

#### Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting (work session).

**SUMMARY:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Policy Committee and HMS Advisory Subpanel will hold a public meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 26, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the U.S. Tuna Foundation Offices, One Tuna Lane, (740 North Harbor Drive), San Diego, CA.

*Council address:* Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Larry Six, Executive Director, telephone: (503) 326-6352.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the meeting is to prepare

Council recommendations for the next session of the Multilateral High Level Conference on the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific to be held February 10-19, 1999 in Honolulu, HI.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice.

#### Special Accommodations

The work session is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. John Rhoton at (503) 326-6352 at least 5 days prior to the work session date.

Dated: January 7, 1999.

**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. 010599E]

#### South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of its Executive Committee.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held from January 27-28, 1999. See

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the NMFS Southeast Regional Office, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL; telephone: 727-570-5305.

*Council address:* South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, One Southpark Circle, Suite 306; Charleston, SC 29407-4699.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan Buchanan, Public Information Officer; telephone: (843) 571-4366; fax:

(843) 769-4520; email:  
susan.buchanan@noaa.gov

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Meeting Dates**

*January 27, 1999, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.*

The Executive Committee will hear the status of Council actions relative to the Sustainable Fisheries Act and the implementation schedule for the Council's sustainable fisheries act amendments. The Committee will also discuss how the Council and NMFS can work together to meet the mandates of the Sustainable Fisheries Act, discuss coordination of the Council's preparation of stock assessment and fishery evaluation (SAFE) reports, hear an overview of the Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program (ACCSP), and make revisions to the Council's Operations Plan.

*January 28, 1999, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon*

The Committee will discuss Calendar Year 1999 Council activities and budget and discuss coordination of Council activities and planned actions with the NMFS regional office and fisheries center resources.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Committee for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice.

**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see ADDRESSES) by January 20, 1999.

Dated: January 7, 1999.

**Gary C. Matlock,**

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**GENERAL SERVICES  
ADMINISTRATION**

**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND  
SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0141]

**Submission for OMB Review;  
Comment Request for Buy American  
Act—Construction (Grimberg  
Decision)**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Buy American Act—Construction (Grimberg Decision). A request for public comments was published at 63 FR 59950, November 6, 1998. No comments were received.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted on or before February 11, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Linfield, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-1757.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: FAR Desk Officer, General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat, 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

The clauses at FAR 52.225-5, Buy American Act—Construction Materials, and FAR 52.225-15, Buy American Act—Construction Materials under Trade Agreements Act and North American Free Trade Agreement, provide that offerors/contractors requesting to use foreign construction material, other than construction material eligible under a trade agreement, shall provide adequate information for Government evaluation of the request. These regulations implement the Buy American Act for construction (41 U.S.C. 10a-10d).

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.5 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows: Respondents, 500; responses per respondent, 2; total annual responses, 1,000; preparation hours per response, 2.5; and total response burden hours, 2,500.

**OBTAINING COPIES OF PROPOSALS:**

Requester may obtain a copy of justification from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 208-7312. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0141 regarding Buy American Act—Construction (Grimberg Decision) in all correspondence.

Dated: January 7, 1999.

**Edward C. Loeb,**

*Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**Submission for OMB Review;  
Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 11, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, N.W., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address *Werfel.d@al.eop.gov*. 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, D.C. 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address *Pat.Sherrill@ed.gov*, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.