

hearing comments from the Mid-Atlantic region, then hear a report on spawning potential ratio and overfishing definitions. The Committees will review, revise, and approve measures for Amendment 8 to the Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources in the South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico.

April 9, 1996, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon—Joint South Atlantic and Gulf Councils' Mackerel Committees. The Committees will review, revise, and approve measures in Amendment 8 to the FMP for Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources in the South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico.

April 9, 1996, 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.—Joint Snapper Grouper AP, Snapper Grouper Committee, and Controlled Access Committee. The Snapper Grouper AP, Snapper Grouper Committee and Controlled Access Committee will hear the Gag Grouper Assessment Report and the Status of Snowy Grouper and Golden Tilefish 1995/96 Catches. They will then review the draft options paper for Amendments 8 and 9 to the Snapper Grouper FMP and develop advisory panel recommendations for measures for the Council to take to public hearing.

April 10, 1996, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon—Joint Snapper Grouper AP and Snapper Grouper Committee. The Snapper Grouper AP and Committee will receive a Report of the Reef Fishery Economic Survey and a progress report on the Reef Sociocultural Survey. They will develop and approve Committee recommendations for Amendment 8 for public hearing.

April 10, 1996, 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.—Controlled Access Committee. The Controlled Access Committee will review the draft options paper for Amendment 9 and develop and approve Committee recommendations for public hearing.

April 11, 1996, 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.—Advisory Panel Selection Committee. The AP Selection Committee will meet in closed session to develop recommendations for the appointment of AP members.

April 11, 1996, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.—Council Session; 11:15 a.m. to 12:00 noon—The Council will receive a report from the Executive Committee and will consider and take action on Council development of a weakfish FMP. The Council will also consider taking emergency action for the Spanish mackerel commercial fishery.

1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.—The Council will meet in closed session to receive the AP Selection Committee report, and to appoint new AP members.

2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.—The Council will receive the Mackerel Committee report, take public comment on Amendment 8 and take final action on Amendment 8. They will also receive a NMFS report on the status of king mackerel trip limit regulatory amendment.

3:45 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.—The Council will receive the Snapper Grouper Committee Report and approve measures in Amendment 8 for public hearing.

April 12, 1996, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon—Council Session; The Council will convene and receive the Controlled Access Committee report and approve measures in Amendment 9 for public hearing. They will hear reports on the ICCAT Advisory Committee meeting, and agency and liaison activities. The Council will also hear a presentation on the NMFS logbook program, regulatory amendment review and processing, and discuss other business.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are 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 April 3, 1996.

Dated: March 27, 1996.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Marine Mammals and Endangered Species

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

ACTION: Receipt of application for a commercial photography permit (P604).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Mr. Andrew Byatt, Great Natural Journeys, Natural History Unit, BBC, Whiteladies Road, Bristol, England BS8 2LR, has applied in due form for a permit to take several species of marine mammals for photographic purposes.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before April 29, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West

Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); and

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802 (310/980-4001).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request, should be submitted to the Chief, Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Carol Fairfield or Trevor Spradlin, Permits Division, 301/713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of section 104(c)(6) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216). Section 104(c)(6) provides for photography for educational or commercial purposes involving non-endangered and non-depleted marine mammals in the wild. NMFS is currently working on proposed regulations to implement this provision. However, in the meantime, NMFS has received and is processing this request as a "pilot" application for Level B Harassment of non-listed and non-depleted marine mammals for photographic purposes. The applicant seeks authorization to photograph the following marine mammals: Gray whales (*Eschrichtius robustus*); California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*); and Northern elephant seals (*Mirounga angustirostris*). The applicant proposes to initiate this work in the spring of 1996.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: March 26, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Marine Mammals

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

ACTION: Modification no. 3 to scientific research permit no. 873 (P772#63).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a request for modification of scientific research permit no. 873 submitted by the Southwest Fisheries Science Center, NMFS, P.O. Box 271, La Jolla, CA 92038-0271, has been granted.

ADDRESSES: The modification and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Suite 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); and

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802, (310/980-4016).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 30, 1996, notice was published in the Federal Register (61 FR 3001) that a modification of permit no. 873, issued July 28, 1993 (58 FR 34038), had been requested by the above-named organization. The requested modification has been granted under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the provisions of paragraphs (d) and (e) of § 216.33 of the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the provisions of § 222.25 of the Regulations Governing the Taking, Importing, and Exporting of Endangered Fish and Wildlife (50 CFR part 222).

Permit no. 873 authorized the permit holder to biopsy several species of cetaceans off the Pacific, Southern, and Indian Oceans, and to import biopsy tissues collected outside of U.S. waters. The permit has been modified to authorize the importation of tissue biopsy samples from the following additional species: Bowhead whale (*Balaena mysticetus*), western Pacific gray whale (*Eschrichtius robustus*), and beluga whale (*Delphinapterus leucas*) from Russian territorial waters.

Issuance of this modification, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such modification: (1) Was applied in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which are the subject of this permit; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: March 27, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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Marine Mammals and Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Receipt of modification request for scientific research permit 968 (P557D); request for comments.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Scripps Institution of Oceanography has applied in due form for a modification to permit 968 for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before May 2, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The modification and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s): Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); and

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802, (310/980-4016).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request, should be submitted to the Director, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910, within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject modification is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR parts 217-222), the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*), and fur seal regulations at 50 CFR part 215.

The modification requests authorization to include a dual-

frequency transmission test 18.5 kilometers southwest of Pioneer Seamount for a period of approximately 2 weeks. Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, the National Marine Fisheries Service is forwarding copies of this modification to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: March 26, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Proposed Collection of Information; Comment Request—Safety Standard for Cigarette Lighters

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Consumer Product Safety Commission requests comments on a proposed request for an extension of approval of a collection of information from manufacturers and importers of disposable and novelty cigarette lighters. This collection of information consists of testing and recordkeeping requirements in certification regulations implementing the Safety Standard for Cigarette Lighters (16 CFR Part 1210). The Commission will consider all comments received in response to this notice before requesting an extension of approval of this collection of information from the Office of Management and Budget.

DATES: Written comments must be received by the Office of the Secretary not later than June 3, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be captioned "Cigarette Lighters" and mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207, or delivered to that office, room 502, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about the proposed extension of the collection of information, or to obtain a copy of 16 CFR Part 1210 without charge, call or write Nicholas V. Marchica, Director, Office of Planning and Evaluation, Consumer Product Safety Commission,