

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Meeting Dates

August 11, 1998, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Habitat Committee, Coral and Habitat & Environmental Protection Advisory Panels will hear an overview of the development of the Council's actions to meet the requirements of the Sustainable Fisheries Act regarding essential fish habitat, bycatch, overfishing and fishing communities, and an overview of further necessary action to meet these requirements, review comments received during public hearing and informal review comments on the Council's Habitat Plan and Habitat Comprehensive Amendment and the Sustainable Fisheries Act Amendment, and Review and provide advisory panel and committee comments on the Draft Calico Scallop Fishery Management Plan.

August 12, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The committee and advisory panels will review and provide comments to the Council on the following Council documents: the Draft Sargassum Plan, the Draft Habitat Plan, the Draft Habitat Amendment, and the Sustainable Fisheries Act Amendment. The advisory panels will then develop final advisory panel recommendations on these documents to the Council.

August 13, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

The committee and advisory panels will meet to develop final committee recommendations to the Council regarding the aforementioned documents in this Notice, and discuss other business.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before these groups 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

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 August 4, 1998.

Dated: July 20, 1998.

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. 071598B]

Marine Mammals; File No. 782-1455

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Permit No. 782-1455, issued to Dr. Douglas P. DeMaster, Director, National Marine Mammal Laboratory, National Marine Fisheries Service, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0070, was amended. **ADDRESSES:** The amendment and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

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

Regional Administrator, Alaska Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (907/586-7221); and Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sara Shapiro or Ruth Johnson, 301/713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject amendment has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the provisions of § 216.39 of the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the provisions of § 222.25 of the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR part 222), and the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*).

The amendment authorizes the National Marine Mammal Laboratory to obtain and maintain northern fur seal (*Callorhinus ursinus*) scientific specimens collected from the native subsistence harvest, authorizes harassment of northern fur seals while collecting/necropsying dead pups throughout the duration of the Permit, and changes the due date of the annual reports from December 31 to March 31 every year the permit is active.

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit, and (3) is

consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: July 20, 1998.

Ann D. Terbush,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

[Docket No. 980713169-8167-01]

Dissemination of Patent and Trademark Information on the PTO's Web Site

AGENCY: Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) plans to expand the searchable database offerings on its World-Wide Web (Web) site by adding additional patent data and by including trademark data. This expansion will provide Web access to the full text of patents granted since 1976 and to the trademark text data for registered and pending marks. The PTO also plans to incorporate patent and trademark image data and trademark data for inactive marks as part of its expanded Web offering. The PTO requests public comments on its decision to expand its Web site offerings.

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before August 26, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Address comments to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Attention: Wesley H. Gewehr, Administrator for Information Dissemination, Crystal Park 3, Suite 451, Washington, DC 20231; or fax to 703-306-2737; or e-mail to jane.myers@uspto.gov. Comments will be available for public inspection in the Office of Electronic Information Products, Crystal Park 3, Suite 441, 2231 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jane S. Myers, Office of Electronic Information Products, by telephone at 703-306-2600; by fax at 703-306-2737;

by e-mail to jane.myers@uspto.gov; or by mail to Patent and Trademark Office, Office of Electronic Information Products, Crystal Park 3, Suite 441, Washington, DC 20231.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PTO has been directed to disseminate patent and trademark information using automated methods. See 35 USC 41(i)(2). The PTO currently provides the public with on-line access, for a fee, to internal patent and trademark automated search systems in its public search facilities located in Crystal City, VA. Thirty-one Patent and Trademark Depository Libraries (PTDLs) offer on-line access to PTO's automated patent full-text search system, and three Partnership PTDLs offer on-line access to PTO's automated trademark text and image search system and to the automated patent image retrieval system. The PTO also provides access to subsets of its patent and trademark databases on CD-ROMs in the PTO's public search facilities and at 83 PTDLs located throughout the country. The PTO sells its CD-ROM products to the public, and the Government Printing Office makes them available to the Federal Depository Libraries. Although the PTO has provided World-Wide Web access to searchable patent bibliographic data since November 1995, neither searchable trademark data, the full text of patents, nor patent and trademark image data are currently available on the PTO Web site.

The PTO hereby provides notice to the public of its plans to expand searchable patent data and to begin offering searchable trademark data on its Web site. In August of this year, the PTO plans to provide free Web access to the trademark text data that is currently available on the PTO's Cassis CD-ROM products—Trademarks Registered and Trademarks Pending—covering active registered and pending marks. In November 1998, this trademark offering will include the "clipped" images associated with these marks. In the future, this searchable trademark database will be expanded to include inactive (abandoned, cancelled and expired) marks and some additional data elements associated with those inactive marks, and will be updated more frequently to reflect more current conditions of the trademark database. Also in November 1998, the PTO plans to expand its patent database offering on the Web to include free access to the full text of all patents issued since 1976. In March 1999, the patent offering will allow users free access to the full page images of patents identified. On-line ordering of patent documents issued

since 1976 for electronic delivery, for a fee, is planned for March 1999. Any such fee will be established by taking into consideration applicable government policy, OMB circular A-130, the Paperwork Reduction Act, and any other applicable statutes. The PTO requests public comments on its plans to expand its Web site offerings.

Dated: July 21, 1998.

Bruce A. Lehman,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary of Defense

Meeting of the DOD Advisory Group on Electron Devices

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Advisory Group on Electron Devices.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Working Group B (Microelectronics) of the DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices (AGED) announces a closed session meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held at 0900, Friday, September 11, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held Palisades Institute for Research Service, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Timothy Doyle, AGED Secretariat, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Square Four, Suite 500, Arlington, Virginia 22202.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The mission of the Advisory Group is to provide advice to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, to the Director Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E), and through the DDR&E, to the Director Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency and the Military Departments in planning and managing an effective research and development program in the field of electron devices.

The Working Group B meeting will be limited to review of research and development programs which the military proposes to initiate with industry, universities or in their laboratories. The microelectronics area includes such programs on semiconductor materials, integrated circuits, charge coupled devices and memories. The review will include classified program details throughout.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, (5 U.S.C.

App. 10(d) (1994)), it has been determined that this Advisory Group meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) (1994), and that accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public.

Dated: July 21, 1998.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary of Defense

Meeting of the DOD Advisory Group on Electron Devices

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Advisory Group on Electron Devices.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Working Group A (Microwave Devices) of the DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices (AGED) announces a closed session meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held at 0900, Wednesday, September 9, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Palisades Institute for Research Services, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Cox, AGED Secretariat, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Square Four, Suite 500, Arlington, Virginia 22202.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The mission of the Advisory Group is to provide advice to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, to the Director of Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E), and through the DDR&E to the Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA) and the Military Departments in planning and managing an effective and economical research and development program in the area of electron devices.

The Working Group A meeting will be limited to review of research and development programs which the Military Departments propose to initiate with industry, universities or in their laboratories. This microwave device area includes programs on developments and research related to microwave tubes, solid state microwave devices, electronic warfare devices, millimeter wave devices, and passive devices. The review will include details of classified defense programs throughout.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, (5 U.S.C.