Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to George Darcy, Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, 1 Blackburn Circle, Gloucester, MA, 01930, (978)281–9331, fax (978) 281–9135.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Regulations of 50 CFR 648.8 and 697.8 require that all vessels with Federal permits to fish in the Northeast display the vessel's official number. The numbers must be in a specific size at specified locations. The display of the identifying number aids in fishery law enforcement.

II. Method of Collection

No information is collected. The official number must be displayed on the port and starboard sides of the deckhouse or hull and on a weather deck.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648–0350. *Form Number*: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission Affected Public: Business or other forprofit organizations, individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,821.

Estimated Time Per Response: 45. minutes (15 minutes for each of three markings).

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,363.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$58,000.

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: May 1, 2001.

Madeleine Clayton,

Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer. [FR Doc. 01–11548 Filed 5–7–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–8

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D.050301B]

Northeast Region Gear Identification Requirements

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). **ACTION:** Proposed information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to George Darcy, Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, 1 Blackburn Circle, Gloucester, MA, 01930, (978)281–9331, fax (978)281–9135.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Regulations (50 CFR 648.81(f), 648.84, 648.123(b)(3), 648.144(b), and 697.21) require that Federal fishing permit holders using specified fishing gear mark that gear with specified information (the official vessel numbers, Federal permit number, tag number, or other method identified in the regulation). The regulations also specify

how the gear is to be marked (e.g. location and visibility). Marking of gear aids law enforcement and also helps identify gear involved in damage, loss, or civil proceedings.

II. Method of Collection

No information is collected.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648–0351.
Form Number: None.
Type of Review: Regular submission.
Affected Public: Business or other forprofit organizations, individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,859.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1 minute per marking.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 36,417.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$65,115.

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: May 1, 2001.

Madeleine Clayton,

Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer. [FR Doc. 01–11549 Filed 5–7–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–\$

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 050301C]

Southwest Region Vessel Identification Requirements

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

ACTION: Proposed information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 9, 2001].

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Alvin Katekaru, F/SWRX1, Room 1110, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Honolulu, HI 96814–4700 (phone 808–973–2937).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Regulations at 50 CFR 660.16 require that all vessels with Federal permits to fish in the Southwest display the vessel's official number. Regulations are 50 CFR 300.35 require that vessels in the South Pacific tuna purse seine fishery must display their international radio call sign on the hull, the deck, and on the sides of auxiliary equipment such as skiffs and helicopters. The numbers must be in a specific size at specified locations. The display of the identifying number aids in fishery law enforcement.

II. Method of Collection

No information is collected.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648–0361. Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission. Affected Public: Business or other forprofit organizations, individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

Estimated Time Per Response: 45 minutes (15 minutes for each of three markings) for non-purse seine vessels, 1 hour and 15 minutes for purse seine vessels.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 286.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$6,800.

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: May 1, 2001.

Madeleine Clayton,

Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer. [FR Doc. 01–11550 Filed 5–7–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–8

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 050301D]

Fishermen's Contingency Fund

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). **ACTION:** Proposed information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). DATES: Written comments must be

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

submitted on or before July 9, 2001.

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should

be directed to Charles L. Cooper, Financial Services Division, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (phone 301–713–2396).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

U.S. commercial fishermen may file claims for compensation for losses or damage to fishing gear or vessels, plus 50 percent of resulting economic losses, attributable to oil and gas activities on the U.S. outer continental shelf. To obtain compensation applicants must comply with requirements set forth in 50 CFR part 296. The requirements include a report within 15 days of the incident to gain a presumption of causation and an application form.

II. Method of Collection

Paper forms are used.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0082.

Form Number: NOAA Forms 88–164, 88–166.

Type of Review: Regular submission. Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 200

Estimated Time Per Response: 10 hours for an application, 5 minutes for a 15–day report.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,017.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$750.

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.