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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 Patsy A. Bearden, F/AKR2, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (telephone 907-586-7008).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Individual Fishery Quota (IFQ) program, established by Amendment 15 to the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Fishery Management Plan and Amendment 20 to the Gulf of Alaska Fishery Management Plan, and implemented by regulations at 50 CFR part 679, commenced in March 1995. The IFQ program allocates annual total catch limits for the halibut and sablefish fisheries among individual fishermen. Fishermen are assigned Quota Shares (QS) for the fisheries, and then annually receive an IFQ. This statement supports the renewal of certain requirements necessary for the continued management of the IFQ program. The specific types of reporting required are identified below in the section for "Estimated Time Per Response".

II. Method of Collection

The methods used include paper forms, facsimile transmission of paper forms, telephone notifications, and electronic reporting.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0272.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions, business and other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,700.

Estimated Time Per Response: IFQ prior notice of landing (12 minutes); IFQ landing report (12 minutes); IFQ departure report (6 minutes); IFQ dockside sale (6 minutes); administrative waiver (6 minutes); request for QS application (30 minutes for an individual, 1 hour for an existing corporation, 2 hours for a dissolved corporation, and 2 hours for a vessel); IFQ vessel clearance report (12 minutes); IFQ shipment report (18 minutes); IFQ transshipment authorization request (12 minutes); QS Designated Beneficiary Form (1 hour); QS/IFQ Transfer Application (2 hours); letter of appeal (4 hours); applications for additional IFQ cards (30 minutes); application for crew member eligibility

(2 hours); application for replacement cards (30 minutes); Register Buyer Permit Application (30 minutes); request for a transaction terminal (30 minutes); and identification of ownership interest by corporations and partnerships (2 hours for initial submission and 30 minutes for an annual update).

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 22,775.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$126,000.

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: Dated: June 8, 2001.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[061101F]

Emergency Beacon Registrations

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 August 13, 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 the 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 Mr. Ajay Mehta, SARSAT Program Manager, E/SP3, Rm 3320, FB-4 NOAA, 5200 Auth Road, Suitland, MD 20746-4304 (phone 301-457-5678).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

An international system exists to use satellites to detect and locate ships, aircraft, or individuals in distress if they are equipped with an emergency radio beacon. Persons purchasing such a beacon must register it with NOAA. The data provided by registration can assist in identifying who is in trouble and in suppressing false alarms.

II. Method of Collection

Respondents complete a paper form (also available off of a Web site) and mail or fax the form to NOAA.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0295.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions, and state, local, or tribal government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,500.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$3,000.

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

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Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 061101E]

Recovery and Implantation of Archival Tags

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)).

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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 Christopher Rogers, F/SF1, Room 13563, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3282 (phone 301-713-2347, ext. 109).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) authorizes programs to implant archival tags in, or affix archival tags to, selected Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (tunas, sharks, swordfish, and billfish). Archival tags are miniature data loggers that acquire information about the

movements and behavior of the fish. Persons catching tagged fish are exempted from other normally applicable regulations, such as immediate release of the fish, but must notify NOAA, return the archival tag or make it available to NOAA personnel, and provide information about the location and method of capture. The information obtained is used by NOAA in the formation of international and domestic fisheries policy and regulations.

Persons who affix or implant archival tags must obtain prior authorization from NOAA and submit subsequent reports about the tagging of fish. NOAA needs the information to evaluate the effectiveness of archival tag programs, to assess the likely impact of regulatory allowances for tag recovery, and to ensure that the research does not produce undue mortality.

II. Method of Collection

Catch notifications are provided to a toll-free telephone number. Tags and associated information are mailed in (a reward is given for tag recoveries). Notifications and reports of archival tagging efforts are provided in written form, meeting requirements set forth in regulations.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0338.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit organizations, and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20.

Estimated Time Per Response: 30 minutes for reporting on an archival tag recovery, 30 minutes for notification of planned archival tagging activity, and one hour for reports of archival tagging activity.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 15.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0.

IV. Request for Comments

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 061101D]

Pacific Billfish Angler Survey

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)).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Southwest Fishery Science Center operates a billfish resource and assessment program. As part of this program, billfish anglers in the Pacific and Indian Oceans are asked to respond