

Certificate was published in the **Federal Register** on June 9, 1986 (51 FR 20873).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: W. Dawn Busby, Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, (202) 482-5131. This is not a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 (15 U.S.C. Sections 4001-21) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue Export Trade Certificates of Review. The regulations implementing Title III are found at 15 CFR Part 325 (1996).

The Office of Export Trading Company Affairs ("OETCA") is issuing this notice pursuant to 15 CFR 325.6(b), which requires the Department of Commerce to publish a summary of a Certificate in the **Federal Register**. Under Section 305(a) of the Act and 15 CFR 325.11(a), any person aggrieved by the Secretary's determination may, within 30 days of the date of this notice, bring an action in any appropriate district court of the United States to set aside the determination on the ground that the determination is erroneous.

Description of Amended Certificate

Export Trade Certificate of Review No. 85-00018, was issued to USSA on June 3, 1986 (51 FR 20873, June 9, 1986), and previously amended on January 16, 1990 (55 FR 2543, January 25, 1990); November 13, 1990 (55 FR 48664, November 21, 1990); September 22, 1993 (58 FR 51061, September 30, 1993); and on June 28, 1994 (59 FR 34411, July 5, 1994).

USSA's Export Trade Certificate of Review has been amended to add the following companies as new "Members" of the Certificate within the meaning of section 325.2(1) of the Regulations (15 CFR 325.2(1) (1996)): NOVA Chemicals Inc., Monaca, PA (Controlling Entity: NOVA Corporation, Calgary, Alberta, Canada); Pecten Chemicals Inc., Houston, TX (Controlling Entity: Royal Dutch Petroleum Company, The Hague, The Netherlands); and Phillips Petroleum Company, Bartlesville, OK.

A copy of the amended Certificate will be kept in the International Trade Administration's Freedom of Information Records Inspection Facility, Room 4102, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

Dated: April 10, 1997.

W. Dawn Busby,

Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 040997C]

Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Receipt of applications for modification 6 to research/enhancement permit 848 (P507D) and modification 1 to research/enhancement permit 1011 (P211J).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife in Olympia, WA (WDFW) and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife in La Grande, OR (ODFW) have applied in due form for modifications to permits authorizing takes of threatened species for research/enhancement purposes.

DATES: Written comments or requests for a public hearing on either of these modification applications must be received on or before May 16, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The applications and related documents are available for review in the following offices, by appointment:

Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401); and

Environmental and Technical Services Division, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232-4169 (503-230-5400).

Written comments or requests for a public hearing should be submitted to the Chief, Environmental and Technical Services Division, Portland.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: WDFW and ODFW request modifications to permits under the authority of section 10 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) and the NMFS regulations governing ESA-listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-227).

Permit 848 (P507D) authorizes WDFW takes of adult and juvenile, threatened, Snake River spring/summer chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) associated with a supplementation hatchery program and scientific research/monitoring. For modification 6 to permit 848, WDFW requests takes of juvenile, threatened, Snake River fall chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) associated with scientific research designed to answer questions on fall chinook salmon production in

the lower Tucannon River. ESA-listed fish are proposed to be captured, handled, and released; captured, marked with fin clips or tagged with passive integrated transponders, transported, and released; or captured and sacrificed for genetic analysis or pathologic studies. An indirect mortality of ESA-listed juvenile salmon associated with the research is requested. Also for modification 6, WDFW requests to return adult, ESA-listed, Snake River spring/summer chinook salmon carcasses from the supplementation program back to the Tucannon River for nutrient enrichment. Modification 6 is requested for the duration of the permit. Permit 848 expires on March 31, 1998.

Permit 1011 (P211J) authorizes ODFW takes of juvenile, threatened, Snake River spring/summer chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) associated with a captive broodstock program for Catherine Creek, upper Grande Ronde River, and Lostine River populations. For modification 1 to permit 1011, ODFW requests to collect a percentage of the returning adult, ESA-listed, naturally-produced fish from these watersheds in 1997 to begin a supplementation program. ODFW anticipates sufficient adult returns to these watersheds in 1997 to allow the collection of ESA-listed adults for hatchery broodstock. ODFW proposes to transport the collected adults to Lookingglass Hatchery where they will be spawned, the resulting eggs incubated, and the juveniles reared. ODFW believes that the collection of ESA-listed adults for hatchery supplementation will increase the probability of the persistence of the populations because of the survival advantage provided by the hatchery. Releases of fish from the supplementation program is not requested at this time. ODFW will request a modification to permit 1011 for authorization to release fish prior to any fish releases. The future request for a modification to the permit will include a detailed plan on proposed fish releases and a plan for the disposition of any excess hatchery fish. The collection of ESA-listed adults for broodstock is proposed for 1997 only. The incubation of eggs and the rearing of ESA-listed juveniles is requested for the duration of the permit. Permit 1011 expires on December 31, 2000.

Those individuals requesting a hearing on either of these permit modification requests should set out the specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate (see **ADDRESSES**). The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant

Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in the above application summaries are those of the applicants and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Dated: April 10, 1997.

Robert C. Ziobro,

*Acting Chief, Endangered Species Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 041097B]

Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Notice of receipt of application for a research permit (P45Z).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Jorgen E. Skjeveland of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (P45Z) has applied in due form for a scientific research permit to take listed shortnose sturgeon.

DATES: Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application must be received on or before May 16, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review by appointment in the following offices:

Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Hwy., Room 13307, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401); and

Director, Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-2298 (508-281-9250).

Written comments, or requests for a public hearing on this application should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Jorgen E. Skjeveland, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (P45Z), requests a research permit under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) and NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-227).

The applicant requests a five year permit to take listed shortnose sturgeon to determine the status of the species in Maryland waters of the Chesapeake Bay with emphasis on the waters around the Aberdeen Proving Grounds (APG). The

sturgeon will be tagged, measured, tissue sampled and released to collect range, migration and genetic information, and to identify dredged material disposal sites that will have minimal environmental impact to sturgeon species.

Those individuals requesting a hearing should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular application would be appropriate (see **ADDRESSES**). The holding of such hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in this application summary are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Dated: April 10, 1997

Robert C. Ziobro,

*Acting Chief, Endangered Species Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

TIME AND DATE: Friday, April 25, 1997 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Room 410, East West Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

STATUS: Closed to the Public.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Compliance Status Report

The staff will brief the Commission on the status of various compliance matters.

For a recorded message containing the latest agenda information, call (301) 504-0709.

CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL

INFORMATION: Sadye E. Dunn, Office of the Secretary, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20207 (301) 504-0800.

Dated: April 14, 1997.

Sadye E. Dunn,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 97-12]

Section 36(b)(1) Arms Sale Notification

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Assistance Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a section 36(b)(1) arms sales notification. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of P.L. 104-164 dated 21 July 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. J. Hurd, DSAA/COMPT/FPD, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 97-12, with attached transmittal, policy justification, and sensitivity of technology pages.

Dated: April 10, 1997.

L.M. Bynum,

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison
Officer, Department of Defense.*

In reply refer to: I-04140/97.

April 8, 1997.

Honorable Newt Gingrich,
*Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C. 20515-6501.*

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 97-12, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Israel for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$200 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,

Thomas G. Rhame,
Lieutenant General, USA, Director.

Attachments

Same ltr to:

House Committee on International
Relations

Senate Committee on Appropriations
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations
House Committee on National Security
Senate Committee on Armed Services
House Committee on Appropriations

Transmittal No. 97-12

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

- (i) *Prospective Purchaser:* Israel.
- (ii) *Total Estimated Value:*