

Department will direct United States Customs officers to terminate suspension of liquidation and release any cash deposit, bond or other security for vector supercomputers from Japan on shipments entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption prior to October 16, 1997, the date of the publication of the ITC's final determination in the **Federal Register**. Effective on the publication date of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the U.S. Customs Service must require the following cash deposits for the subject merchandise:

Manufacturer/producer/exporter	Margin percent-age rate
Fujitsu Ltd.	173.08
NEC Corp.	454.00
All Others	313.54

This notice constitutes the antidumping duty order with respect to vector supercomputers from Japan, pursuant to section 736 (a) of the Act. Interested parties may contact the Central Records Unit, Room B-099 of the Main Commerce Building, for copies of an updated list of antidumping duty orders currently in effect.

This order is published pursuant to section 736 (a) of the Act (19 USC 1673e (a)) and 19 CFR 353.21.

Dated: October 20, 1997.

Robert S. LaRossa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Announcement of a Meeting to Discuss an Opportunity to Join a Cooperative Research and Development Consortium on Flammability of Polymer Nanocomposites

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology; Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) invites interested parties to attend a meeting on November 21, 1997 to discuss the possibility of setting up a cooperative research consortium on Polymer Nanocomposite Flammability technology. The Consortium is dedicated to further research on the

basic science of the technology as applied to specific applications.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday November 21, 1997 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Room B245, Building 224, at NIST in Gaithersburg, MD. Interested parties should contact NIST to confirm their attendance at the address, telephone number or FAX number shown below no later than November 14, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m., Room B245, Building 224, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Jeffrey Gilman, Building 224, Room B256, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD. 20899. Telephone: 301-975-6573; FAX: 301-975-4052; e-mail: jeffrey.gilman@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Any program undertaken will be within the scope and confines of the Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99-502, 15 U.S.C. 3710a), which provides federal laboratories including NIST, with the authority to enter into cooperative research agreements with qualified parties. Under this law, NIST may provide "personnel, service, facilities, equipment or other resources with or without reimbursement (but not funds to non-federal parties)" to the cooperative research program.

The meeting will be held on Friday November 21, 1997 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Room B245, Building 224, at NIST in Gaithersburg, MD, for interested parties. The meeting will discuss the possible formation of a research consortium including NIST and manufacturing industry to conduct research in this area.

Members will be expected to make a contribution to the consortium's efforts in the form of personnel, data, and/or funds. This is not a grant program.

Dated: October 16, 1997.

Elaine Buntin-Mines,

Director, Program Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 101597B]

International Whaling Commission: Final Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Final Environmental Assessment (EA) on Makah Whaling.

SUMMARY: The Makah Tribe (Tribe) has indicated that it wishes to harvest up to five gray whales per year for subsistence and ceremonial purposes. NOAA prepared a draft EA that weighed the impacts of supporting the Makah interest in whaling and considered alternatives to concurrence. Comments were solicited from the public. NOAA, having first considered the public's comments, has concluded that there will be no significant effect on the human environment.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the final EA may be obtained from the Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910; telephone: 301-713-2332.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Payne, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Phone: (301) 713-2322.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Tribe has indicated that it wishes to harvest up to five gray whales per year for subsistence and ceremonial purposes. Within the U.S. Government, whaling is managed by the Department of Commerce, which must therefore consider whether to support the Makah interest in continuing its tradition of whaling. This EA weighs the impacts of supporting the Makah interest in whaling and considers alternatives to concurrence. The EA analyzes alternatives, including the proposed action. The alternatives are (1) support the Tribe's decision to whale after receiving approval from the International Whaling Commission (IWC) [proposed action]; (2) delay consideration of support until the 5 year monitoring program of the eastern Pacific stock of gray whales is complete; (3) persuade the Tribe to engage in alternative activities, such as ecotourism instead of whaling; and (4) take no action. NMFS published a draft EA on August 22, 1997, and solicited comments from the public. The public comment period ended on September 22, 1997. The final EA incorporates comments from the public and concludes that the proposed action will have no significant effect on the human environment.

Dated: October 20, 1997.

Hilda Diaz-Soltero,

*Director, Office of Protected Resources,
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric
Administration**

[I.D. 100797C]

Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Receipt of an application for a scientific research permit (1095).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation at Denver, CO (USBR) has applied in due form for a permit that would authorize a take of a threatened species for scientific research.

DATES: Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application must be received on or before November 24, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The application 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

Protected Resources Division, F/NWO3, NMFS, 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, Protected Resources Division, Portland.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Koch, Protected Resources Division, (503-230-5400).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: USBR requests a permit 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).

USBR (1095) requests a 1-year permit for a take of juvenile, threatened, Southern Oregon/Northern California coast coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*) associated with research designed to collect data on seasonal fish distribution and abundance, particularly during spring and late summer, in Bear Creek and its principal tributaries, Little Butte Creek and its tributaries, and Big

Butte Creek in southwest Oregon. The information is needed to support management decisions associated with a water conservation feasibility study in the Rogue River Basin, authorized by the U.S. Congress and the Oregon Water Resources Congress. The purpose of the feasibility study is to support a proposal to implement habitat enhancement activities designed in part to increase instream flows, improve the reliability and efficiency of existing water supplies, improve water quality and environmental values, and conserve water. Data to analyze the potential impacts of proposed activities on salmonid distribution and abundance are inadequate, as are the fisheries data needed to develop and compare alternatives. ESA-listed juvenile fish are proposed to be captured by electrofishing, handled (identified, measured, weighed, and scanned for injuries or diseases), allowed to recover, and released. An indirect mortality of ESA-listed juvenile fish associated with the research is also requested.

Those individuals requesting a hearing (see **ADDRESSES**) should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate. 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: October 9, 1997.

Nancy Chu,

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. 100697D]

Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Receipt of request to modify scientific research permit 1051.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Jorgen Skjveland, of the Maryland Fisheries Resource Office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has applied in due form for a modification to Permit 1051 to take listed species for the purpose of scientific research, subject to

certain conditions set forth in the permit.

DATES: Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this request must be received on or before November 24, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The application, permit, 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); or

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Terri Jordan, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, (301-713-1401).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 29, 1997, Mr. Jorgen Skjveland was issued Permit 1051 take shortnose sturgeon (*Acipensery brevirostrum*) for scientific research activities, subject to certain conditions set forth therein, as authorized under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. §§ 1531-1543) and the NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-227).

The applicant has requested authorization to increase the take of shortnose sturgeon in Chesapeake Bay from 25 to 30; as well as adding the Delaware River and Bay system to his permit and to take 30 fish in the same manner described in Permit 1051. In addition, the applicant has requested the permission to determine the genetic relationship between the Chesapeake and Delaware Bay sturgeons and determine if there is migration through the Chesapeake and Delaware (D and C) Canal.

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: October 15, 1997.

Nancy Chu,

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

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