

Involving Products From the PRC" ("Index of Factor Values"), were adjusted for inflation using the Wholesale Price Index (WPI) published in the International Monetary Fund's *International Financial Statistics*.

Because the PRC is considered a non-market economy (NME) country under section 771(18) of the Act, the petitioners based normal value (NV) on the factors of production valued in a surrogate country, in accordance with section 773(c)(3) of the Act. For purposes of the petition, the petitioners selected India as the most appropriate surrogate market economy. The petitioners calculated NV using publicly available Indian prices to value all unit costs associated with the factors of production. The petitioners established estimates for per-unit consumption based on BCC's production experience adjusted for differences in the PRC production process according to information reasonably available to the petitioners.

Materials were valued based on Indian prices obtained from publicly available information and published price lists, principally chemical prices in the Indian publications *Chemical Weekly* and *Monthly Statistics of the Foreign Trade of India*, and adjusted using the WPI published in the *International Financial Statistics*, where appropriate. Labor was valued using the regression-based wage rate for the PRC provided by the Department, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.408(c)(3). The values for water and electricity were obtained from international publications containing the prices applicable to India, and adjusted using the WPI published in the *International Financial Statistics*. The fuel oil and natural gas values were based on the Department's Index of Factor Values, and adjusted using the WPI published in the *International Financial Statistics*. To determine factory overhead, selling, general and administrative expenses, and profit, the petitioners relied on data from an Indian producer of hydrogen peroxide, which experiences similarly high fixed costs relative to direct manufacturing costs, as those incurred by producers of synthetic indigo. The valuation of packing factors was based on the Department's Index of Factor Values and international publications containing the prices applicable to India, and adjusted using the WPI published in the *International Financial Statistics*, where appropriate.

#### *Fair Value Comparisons*

Based on the data provided by the petitioners, there is reason to believe that imports of indigo from the PRC are

being, or are likely to be, sold at less than fair value. Based on a comparison of EP to NV, the petitioners' calculated dumping margins ranging from 124.69 percent to 129.60 percent.

#### *Allegations and Evidence of Material Injury and Causation*

The petition alleges that the U.S. industry producing the domestic like product is being materially injured, and is threatened with further material injury, by reason of the imports of the subject merchandise sold at less than NV. The allegations of injury and causation are supported by relevant evidence including U.S. Customs import statistics, lost sales, trade and financial data, and pricing information. The Department assessed the allegations and supporting evidence regarding material injury and causation and determined that these allegations are supported by accurate and adequate evidence and meet the statutory requirements for initiation.

#### *Initiation of Antidumping Investigation*

Based on our examination of the petition, we have found that the petition meets the requirements of section 732 of the Act. Therefore, we are initiating an antidumping duty investigation to determine whether imports of indigo from the PRC are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value. Unless this deadline is extended, we will make our preliminary determination by December 7, 1999.

#### *Distribution of Copies of the Petition*

In accordance with section 732(b)(3)(A) of the Act, a copy of the public version of the petition has been provided to the representatives of the government of the PRC.

#### *International Trade Commission Notification*

We have notified the ITC of our initiation, as required by section 732(d) of the Act.

#### *Preliminary Determination by the ITC*

The ITC will determine by August 16, 1999, whether there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured, or is threatened with material injury, by reason of imports of indigo from the PRC. A negative ITC determination will result in the investigation being terminated; otherwise, this investigation will proceed according to statutory and regulatory time limits.

This notice is published in accordance with section 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: July 20, 1999.

**Robert S. LaRussa,**

*Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Judges Panel of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of closed meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that there will be a closed meeting of the Judges Panel of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award on Wednesday, August 4, 1999. The Judges Panel is composed of nine members prominent in the field of quality management and appointed by the Secretary of Commerce. The purpose of this meeting is to review the stage I process and selection of applicants for the consensus stage of the evaluation. The applications under review contain trade secrets and proprietary commercial information submitted to the Government in confidence.

**DATES:** The meeting will convene August 4, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 4:30 p.m. on August 4, 1999. The entire meeting will be closed.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the National Institute of Standard and Technology, Administration Building Tenth Floor Conference Room, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Harry Hertz, Director, National Quality Program, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899, telephone number (301) 975-2361.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Counsel, formally determined on April 26, 1999, that the meeting of the Judges Panel will be closed pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, as amended by Section 5(c) of the Government in the Sunshine Act, P.L. 94-409. The meeting which involves examination of records and discussion of Award applicant data, may be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b(c)(4) of Title 5, United States Code,

since the meeting is likely to disclose trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential.

Dated: July 7, 1999.

**Karen H. Brown,**  
Deputy Director.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a public meeting with the limited access permit holders in the golden crab fishery in the South Atlantic region.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 17, 1999, from 7:30 p.m. until all business is concluded.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Best Western-Miami Airport, 1550 NW LeJeune Road, Miami, FL; telephone: 305-871-2345.

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, One Southpark Circle, Suite 306; Charleston, SC 29407-4699.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Mahood, Executive Director; telephone: (843) 571-4366; fax: (843) 769-4520; email: robert.mahood@noaa.gov

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this meeting is for Council staff to meet with the limited access permit holders in the golden crab fishery to gather information on fishing areas and discuss current issues in the fishery.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before the Council 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 listed in this notice.

#### Special Accommodations

This meeting is 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 10, 1999.

Dated: July 22, 1999.

**Bruce C. Morehead,**  
Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 072099C]

#### South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (Council) Marine Reserves Advisory Panel (AP) will hold a meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 24, 1999, from 1:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, August 25, 1999, from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., and Thursday, August 26, 1999, from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Town and Country Inn, 2001 Savannah Highway, Charleston, SC; telephone: 843-571-1000.

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, One Southpark Circle, Suite 306; Charleston, SC 29407-4699.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Mahood, Executive Director; telephone: (843) 571-4366; fax: (843) 769-4520; email: robert.mahood@noaa.gov

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this meeting is for the AP to hear presentations on the status of snapper grouper stocks in the southeast, to discuss the Council's Habitat Plan and Comprehensive Amendment, to review the Revised Marine Reserves Discussion Document, and to discuss, revise and take action on the document "The Use of Marine Reserves in the South Atlantic Council's Area of Authority." The AP will also make recommendations to the Council regarding these issues.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before the Council 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 listed in this notice.

#### Special Accommodations

This meeting is 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 17, 1999.

Dated: July 22, 1999.

**Bruce C. Morehead,**  
Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 072099D]

#### South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (Council) Joint Executive/Finance Committee (Committee) will hold a public meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Monday, August 23, 1999, from 1:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m., and Tuesday, August 24, 1999, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Town and Country Inn, 2001 Savannah Highway, Charleston, SC; telephone: 843-571-1000.

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, One Southpark Circle, Suite 306; Charleston, SC 29407-4699.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Mahood, Executive Director; telephone: (843) 571-4366; fax: (843) 769-4520; email: robert.mahood@noaa.gov

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this meeting is for the Committee to discuss the status of calendar year 1999 Council activities schedule and budget, to review and approve proposed changes to the 1999 activities schedule and budget, and to review and approve the proposed 2000 activities schedule and budget.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before the Council for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act,