

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will convene public meetings of the Standing and Special Mackerel Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) and the Mackerel Advisory Panel (AP) on January 9 and January 10, 2002.

DATES: The Council's Standing and Special Mackerel SSC meeting will be convened at 8:30 a.m. EST on Wednesday, January 9, 2002 will conclude by 3 p.m. The Mackerel AP will be convened at 8:30 a.m. EST on Thursday, January 10, 2002 and will conclude by 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Hilton Tampa Airport Hotel, 2225 Lois Avenue, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: 813-877-6688.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 3018 U.S. Highway 301 North, Suite 1000, Tampa, FL 33619.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Richard Leard, Senior Fishery Biologist, the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: 813-228-2815.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Mackerel AP and SSC will review the 2001 stock assessment analyses for Gulf group king and Spanish mackerel, as well as an assessment of cobia stocks in the Gulf of Mexico. They will also review the Mackerel Stock Assessment Panel (MSAP) reports for mackerels and cobia, and the report of the Socioeconomic Panel (SEP) that includes economic and social information. Based on this review, the Mackerel AP and SSC may recommend to the Council status criteria including maximum sustainable yield (MSY), optimum yield (OY), as well as overfishing and overfished criteria. The Mackerel AP and SSC may also make recommendations for total allowable catch (TAC), bag limits, size limits, commercial quotas, and other measures under the framework procedure of the Coastal Migratory Pelagics Fishery Management Plan.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the AP/SSC for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions of the AP/SSC will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agendas and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the

Council's intent to take action to address the emergency.

Copies of the agenda can be obtained by calling 813-228-2815.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Anne Alford at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) by January 2, 2002.

Dated: December 19, 2001.

Richard W. Surdi.

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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Gulf of Mexico 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 Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene a public meeting of the Deep Water Crab Advisory Panel (AP).

DATES: This meeting will begin at 9 a.m. on Thursday, January 9, 2002 and will conclude by 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at NMFS Southeast Fisheries Science Center, 75 Virginia Beach Drive, Miami, FL.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 3018 U.S. Highway 301 North, Suite 1000, Tampa, FL 33619.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peter Hood, Fishery Biologist, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: 813-228-2815.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council will convene its Deep-water Crab AP to review a preliminary issues and options paper for the development of a Deep-water Crab Fishery Management Plan (FMP).

The species that would be managed under the Deep-water Crab FMP will be the golden crab (*Chaceon fenneri*) and red crab (*Chaceon quinque-dens*). The preliminary issues and options paper for the development of a Deep-water Crab FMP examines fisheries issues including management needs, gear

requirements and restrictions, crab size and sex limitations for harvest, and requirements for fishery participants. Based on its review, the Deep-water Crab AP may recommend to the Council management criteria that will benefit the fishery while preserving the resource under the provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The Council will consider these recommendations at its January meeting to be held in Brownsville, TX, from January 21-24, 2002.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agendas may come before the AP for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions of the AP will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agendas and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take action to address the emergency.

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Dated: December 19, 2001.

Richard W. Surdi.

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION**Request of the Merchants Exchange (ME) for Approval of Six Cash-Settled Energy Futures Contracts**

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of terms and conditions of commodity futures contracts.

SUMMARY: The Merchants Exchange (ME or Exchange) has requested that the Commission approve six new cash settled energy futures contracts pursuant to the provisions of Section 5c(c)(2)(A) of the Commodity Exchange Act as amended: Brent crude oil futures, European gas oil futures, light "sweet" crude oil futures, natural gas futures, no. 2 heating oil (New York Harbor

delivery) futures, and unleaded gasoline (New York Harbor delivery) futures. The Acting Director of the Division of Economic Analysis (Division) of the Commission, acting pursuant to the authority delegated by the Commission Regulation 140.96, has determined that publication of the proposal for comment is in the public interest, will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons, and is consistent with the purposes of the Commodity Exchange Act.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 10, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit their views and comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to facsimile number (202) 418-5521 or by electronic mail to secretary@cftc.gov. Reference should be made to the ME cash-settled energy futures contracts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Please contact Joseph Storer of the Division of Economic Analysis, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC (202) 418-5282. Facsimile number: (202) 418-5527. Electronic mail: jstorer@cftc.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Copies of the terms and conditions will be available for inspection at the Office of the Secretariat, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581. Copies of the terms and conditions can be obtained through the Office of the Secretariat by mail at the above address or by phone at (202) 418-5100.

Other materials submitted by the ME in support of the request for approval may be available upon request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Commission's regulations thereunder 17 CFR part 145 (2000)), except to the extent they are entitled to confidential treatment as set forth in 17 CFR 145.5 and 145.9. Requests for copies of such materials should be made to the FOI, Privacy and Sunshine Act Compliance Staff of the Office of Secretariat at the Commission's headquarters in accordance with 17 CFR 145.7 and 145.8.

Any person interested in submitting written data, views, or arguments on the proposed terms and conditions, or with respect to other materials submitted by the ME should send such comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity

Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581 by the specified date.

Issued in Washington, DC on December 18, 2001.

Richard A. Shilts,

Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 25, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Lauren Wittenberg, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, N.W., Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address Lauren.Wittenberg@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5)

Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: December 19, 2001.

John Tressler,

Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Part B Complaint Procedures.

Frequency: On Occasion; Annually.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 1,079.

Burden Hours: 10,790.

Abstract: States are required to implement complaint procedures to resolve complaints or allegations that a State (grantee) or a subgrantee that participates in the program funded under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act is violating any requirement of Part B.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, or should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO.RIMG@ed.gov or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request. Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Sheila Carey at (202) 708-6287 or via her internet address Sheila.Carey@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 25, 2002.