

the capture, handling, and releasing of shortnose sturgeon. Handling entails genetic sample collection and external tagging. Modification 13 would increase the authorized magnitude of take for the purpose of implanting internal sonic transmitters in 30 adult sturgeon per year for 2 years.

Dated: October 10, 2001.

Phil Williams,

*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. 100301A]

Marine Mammals, File No. 756-1630

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Dan Tapster, BBC Natural History Unit, Broadcasting House, Whiteladies Road, Bristol, BS8 2LR, United Kingdom, has been issued a permit to take by Level B harassment one species, bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops truncatus*), of marine mammals for purposes of commercial/educational photography.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301)713-2289; and

Southeast Region, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432; phone (727)570-5301; fax (727)570-5320.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lynne Barre or Jill Lewandowski, (301) 713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 6, 2001, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 65687) that the above-named applicant had submitted a request for a permit to take one species of marine mammals by Level B harassment during the course of commercial photographic activities in Hilton Head, South Carolina. The requested permit has been issued, under the authority of §104(c)(6) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*).

Dated: October 5, 2001.

Ann D. Terbush,

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 100501A]

Marine Mammals; File No. 655-1652-00

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

ACTION: Receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Scott D. Kraus, Ph.D., Edgerton Research Laboratory, New England Aquarium, Central Wharf, Boston, MA 02110-3309, has applied in due form for a permit to take North Atlantic right whales (*Eubalaena glacialis*) for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before November 15, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 713-2289; fax (301) 713-0376;

Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-2298; phone (978) 281-9200; fax (978) 281-9371; and

Southeast Region, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432; phone (727) 570-5301; fax (727) 570-5320.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ruth Johnson or Tammy Adams (301) 713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222-226).

The applicant proposes to take up to 350 right whales in the Northern

Atlantic population annually for a 5-year period. Taking will involve photo-identification, biopsy darting, ultrasound measurements, suction-cup tagging, acoustic playbacks and radio tagging of live whales, biological and pathological sample collection from dead whales. The objectives are: to monitor the health and status of the population by annually documenting as many individuals as possible, identifying skin and body condition, documenting anthropogenic scarring, identifying calf production, tracking calving intervals and birth rates of individual females, identifying sex, age, and genetic patterns in movement, behavior, and habitat use, documenting rates and causes of mortality, examining hormone and stress levels, and examining behavior and association data for trends over time; and to minimize the effects of human activities on the survival of right whales by developing "whale-safe" fishing gear and methods, reducing the impacts of shipping activities on right whales, and by testing hypotheses on the potential links between contaminants, biotoxins, food supply, nutrition, global warming, acoustic disturbance, and habitat loss, and the decline in reproduction of right whales.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301)713-0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period. Please note that comments will not be accepted by e-mail or by other electronic media.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: October 10, 2001.

Ann D. Terbush,

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

**"FEDERAL REGISTER" CITATION OF
PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT:** Vol. 66, No.
193, Thursday, October 4, 2001, page
50620.

**PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED TIME AND DATE OF
MEETING:** 2 p.m., Monday, October 15,
2001.

CHANGES IN MEETING: The Commission
meeting was canceled and is
rescheduled for Tuesday, October 16,
2001 at 10 a.m.

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

**CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION:** Todd A. Stevenson, Office
of the Secretary, 4330 East West
Highway., Bethesda, MD 20207 (301)
504-0800.

Dated: October 12, 2001.

Todd A. Stevenson,

Acting Secretary.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 10 a.m., Tuesday, October
16, 2001.

LOCATION: Room 420, East West Towers,
4330 East West Highway, Bethesda,
Maryland.

STATUS: Open to the Public.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: *Bed Rails:*
The staff will brief the Commission on
options for Commission action to
address hazards associated with
portable bed rails.

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

**CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION:** Todd A. Stevenson, Office
of the Secretary, 4330 East West
Highway, Bethesda, MD 20207 (301)
504-0800.

Dated: October 12, 2001.

Todd A. Stevenson,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Revision of a Currently Approved Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant
Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs,
DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

In accordance with Section 3506
(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction
Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant
Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs)
announces the revision of a currently
approved collection, with revision and
seeks public comment on the provisions
thereof. Comments are invited on: (a)
Whether the proposed revision of
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 of the
information collection; (c) ways to
enhance the quality, utility, and clarity
of the information to be collected; and
(d) ways to minimize the burden of the
information collection on respondents,
including through the use of automated
collection techniques or other forms of
information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all
comments received December 17, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and
recommendations on the information
collection should be sent to Office of the
Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health
Affairs) TRICARE Management Activity,
Skyline Five, Suite 810, 5111 Leesburg
Pike, Falls Church, Virginia 22041-
3206.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To
request more information on this
proposed information collection, please
write to the above address or call
Duaine Goodno, Office of the Assistant
Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs),
TRICARE Management Activity at (703)
681-0039.

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB
Number:* TRICARE Prime Program;
TRICARE Prime Enrollment
Application, TRICARE Prime
Disenrollment Request, and TRICARE
Prime Change Request; OMB No. 0720-
0008.

Needs and Uses: These collection
instruments serve as application for the

enrollment, disenrollment and Primary
Care Manager Change for the
Department of Defense's TRICARE
Prime program established in
accordance with Title 10 U.S.C. Section
1099 (which calls for a healthcare
enrollment system). Monthly payment
options for retiree enrollment fees for
TRICARE Prime is established in
accordance with Title 10 U.S.C. Section
1097a(c). The information collected on
the TRICARE Prime Enrollment
Application provides the necessary data
to determine beneficiary eligibility and
to identify the selection of a health care
option. The TRICARE Prime
Disenrollment Request serves to
disenroll an enrollee from TRICARE
Prime on a voluntary basis. The
TRICARE Prime Change Request serves
to change the designated Primary Care
Manager (PCM) when the beneficiary is
relocating or merely requests a local
PCM change, in accordance with the
National Defense Authorization Act for
Fiscal Year 2001 (P.L. 106-398), Section
723(b)(E).

Affected Public: Individuals or
household.

Annual Burden Hours: 41,260.

Number of Respondents: 253,200.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response:

TRICARE Prime Enrollment
Application: 15 minutes; TRICARE
Disenrollment Request: 5 minutes;
TRICARE Prime PCM Change Request: 8
minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The
Department of Defense established
TRICARE Prime as an enrollment option
to give CHAMPUS-eligible beneficiaries
a DOD-sponsored military managed care
program. In order to simplify the
collection of information on enrollment
applications for TRICARE Prime, the
existing information collection is being
modified to create three separate forms:
Initial enrollment, changes to a PCM
and disenrollment. This modification
decreases the total amount of time to
complete forms by respondents. In order
to implement this program, it is
necessary that certain beneficiaries
electing to enroll/disenroll/change
PCMs complete an enrollment
application/disenrollment request/PCM
change request. Completion of these
forms is an essential element of the
TRICARE program.

Dated: October 9, 2001.

Patricia L. Toppings,

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

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