

at a rate equal to the cash deposit of (or bond for) estimated antidumping or countervailing duties required on those entries at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption and to continue to collect the cash deposit previously ordered.

This notice is not required by statute but is published as a service to the international trading community.

Dated: June 14, 2000.

Holly A. Kuga,

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Group II,
for Import Administration.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Allegheny-Singer Research Institute; Notice of Decision on Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instrument

This decision is made pursuant to section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Docket Number: 00-013. Applicant: Allegheny-Singer Research Institute, Pittsburgh, PA 15212-4772. Instrument: Robot and Microplate Manipulator, Model Q-Bot. Manufacturer: Genetix Limited, United Kingdom. Intended Use: See notice at 65 FR 26583, May 8, 2000.

Comments: None received. Decision: Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as it is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States. Reasons: The foreign instrument provides a unique multi-tasking robotic system for the production, gridding and regridding of DNA arrays with: (1) A pneumatic picking head for sampling 3500 colonies per hour, (2) ability to create high density arrays on nylon filters, (3) replication of plates (96 or 384 wells) for distributing clones and (4) picking of both colonies or plaques. The National Institutes of Health advised in its memorandum of May 5, 2000 that (1) these capabilities are pertinent to the applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument for the applicant's intended use.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument which is being manufactured in the United States.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

University of Michigan; Notice of Decision on Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instrument

This decision is made pursuant to section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Docket Number: 00-011. Applicant: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1055. Instrument: Electron Beam Evaporator, Model EGN4. Manufacturer: Oxford Applied Research, United Kingdom. Intended Use: See notice at 65 FR 26583, May 8, 2000.

Comments: None received. Decision: Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as it is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States. Reasons: The foreign instrument provides: (1) Capability to evaporate four different materials and (2) an interface to a vacuum chamber via a 2³/₄ inch CF flange. Two domestic manufacturers of similar equipment advise that (1) These capabilities are pertinent to the applicant's intended purpose and (2) they know of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument for the applicant's intended use.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument which is being manufactured in the United States.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Notice of Prospective Grant of Exclusive Patent License

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Prospective Grant of Exclusive Patent License.

SUMMARY: This is a notice in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c)(1) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i) that the National Institute of Standards and Technology ("NIST"), U.S. Department of Commerce, is contemplating the grant of an exclusive license in the United States of America, its territories, possessions and commonwealths, to NIST's interest in the invention embodied in U.S. Patent Application 09/016,668, titled, "Temperature Calibration Wafer For Rapid Thermal Processing Using Thin-Film Thermocouples", filed January 27, 1998; NIST Docket No. 97-021US to Claud S. Gordon Co., having a place of business at 5710 Kenosha St., Richmond, IL. The grant of the license would be for the field of use of Semiconductor Manufacturing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: J. Terry Lynch, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Office of Technology Partnerships, Building 820, Room 213, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within sixty days from the date of this published Notice, NIST receives written evidence and argument which establish that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The availability of the invention for licensing was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, No. 42 (March 4, 1998).

U.S. Patent application 09/016,668 is owned by the U.S. Government, as represented by the Secretary of Commerce. The present invention enables the measurement of temperature and the calibration of temperature measurements in rapid thermal processing tools for silicon wafer processing to a greater accuracy than previously possible. The invention is a device which is a calibration wafer of novel construction and capabilities. The calibration wafer is comprised of an array of junctions of thin film thermocouples which traverse the

silicon wafer (typically 300 mm in diameter) and are welded to thermocouple wires of the same composition as the thin films. The advantages of very low mass thin-film thermocouples in making these measurements are greatest under the extremely high heat flux conditions present in rapid thermal processing tools (100 w/cm²). In order to achieve these measurements with thin-film thermocouples at temperatures ranging up to 900 degrees celsius a novel approach was taken in the design and fabrication of the wafer including the incorporation of an adhesion film for the thermoelements, diffusion barriers, and high temperature dielectric insulators.

Dated: June 8, 2000.

Karen H. Brown,

Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 061500A]

At-sea Scale Certification Program

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

ACTION: Proposed information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before August 21, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6066, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at lengelme@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Alan Kinsolving, NOAA/NMFS, F/AKR2, PO BOX 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668; phone 907-586-7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) manages the commercial groundfish harvest off Alaska based on an annual total allowable catch for each species. This is based on "round" weight, or the weight of the fish prior to processing. However, much of the fish harvested off Alaska is harvested by vessels that process the catch at-sea and do not land whole fish. One way that NMFS uses to estimate the total weight of fish harvested by processing vessels is by requiring the vessel to weigh all or part of their catch on a motion-compensated scale. At this time, two groups of vessels are required to weigh all catch at-sea: catcher processors and motherships that are listed under the American Fisheries act as eligible to harvest pollock; and trawl catcher processors and motherships that are harvesting fish under the Community Development Quota Program (CDQ quota). Non-trawl catcher/processors that harvest CDQ quota are not required to weigh all catch, but they are required to weigh samples of catch. All of these vessels must also provide an observer sampling station where NMFS-certified observers can work. The station must be inspected and approved annually by NMFS.

II. Method of Collection

Scale manufacturers must submit documentation if they wish to have a scale approved by NMFS. Vessel owners required to weigh catch must use NMFS-inspected scales and sampling stations. To schedule an inspection, they must submit a request form. Vessels required to weigh all catch must test their scales daily and maintain documentation verifying that the testing took place. These vessels must also maintain a printed record of the weight of each haul that was required to be weighed. Finally, inspectors employed by other Federal, state, or local weights and measures agencies may request authority to inspect scales on behalf of NMFS.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0330.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business and other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 49.

Estimated Time Per Response: 176 hours for the scale type evaluation, 45 minutes for conducting and maintaining a record of the daily scale test, 6 minutes to retain a daily printed scale

output, 6 minutes for the request for scale inspection, 6 minutes for maintenance of a scale approval sticker, 6 minutes for an application to inspect scales on behalf of NMFS, and 2 hours to make a request for observer sampling station inspection and maintaining the results.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 3,508.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$8,184.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and /or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: June 13, 2000.

Madeleine Clayton,

Management Analyst, Office of Chief Information Officer.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products and Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Apparel Produced or Manufactured in the Philippines

June 14, 2000.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 21, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and