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Applicant: Anthony Battaglia, Moscow, ID, PRT-099297.

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Applicant: Zoo Atlanta, Atlanta, GA, PRT-008519.

The applicant requests reissuance of their permit for scientific research with two captive-born giant pandas (*Ailuropoda melanoleuca*) currently held under loan agreement with the Government of China and under provisions of the USFWS Giant Panda Policy. The proposed research will cover all aspects of behavior, reproductive physiology, genetics, nutrition, and animal health and is a continuation of activities currently in progress. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a period of five years.

Applicant: David W. Hanna, Irvine, CA, PRT-100443.

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Applicant: Thomas Productions, Las Vegas, NV, PRT-066158, 066159, 097784, 097785, 097786, 097787.

The applicant requests permits to captive-born tigers (*Panthera tigris*) to worldwide locations for the purpose of enhancement of the species through conservation education. The animals and permit numbers are: Sampson, PRT # 066158; Starr, 066159; Maximillian, 097784; Morpheus, 097785; Rocky, 097786; and Mercury, 097787. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a three-year period and the import of any potential progeny born to these animals while overseas.

Dated: March 11, 2005.

Monica Farris,

Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*).

DATES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056, and must be received on or before April 25, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Peter Fasbender, (612) 713-5343.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Permit Number: TE100141.

Applicant: Melissa Yanek, Madison, Wisconsin.

The applicant requests a permit to take the Karner blue butterfly (*Lycæides melissa samuelis*) in Wisconsin. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Number: TE100143.

Applicant: Devetta Hill, Zanesfield, Ohio.

The applicant requests a permit to take the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), gray bat (*M. grisescens*), and Virginia big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii virginianus*) throughout Ohio. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Number: TE100148.

Applicant: Bradley Steffen, Carbondale, Illinois.

The applicant requests a permit to take the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) throughout Illinois. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Number: TE100150.

Applicant: Neil Bossart, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The applicant requests a permit to take the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) throughout seven states within U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Region 3. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Number: TE100155.

Applicant: Sanders Environmental Inc., Centre Hall Pennsylvania.

The applicant requests a permit to take the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), gray bat (*M. grisescens*), and Virginia big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii virginianus*) throughout seven states within U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Region 3. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Number: TE100159.

Applicant: Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis, Missouri.

The applicant requests a permit to take the following species: Cumberland false rosemary (*Conradina verticillata*), Cumberland stichwort (*Arenaria cumberlandensis*), Virginia spirea (*Spiraea virginiana*), Eggert's sunflower (*Helianthus eggertii*), Missouri bladderpod (*Lesquerella filiformis*), Price's potato bean (*Apios priceana*), Nevada rockcress (*Arabis perstellata*), Leafy prairie-flower (*Dalea foliosa*), Tennessee yellow-eyed grass (*Xyris tennesseensis*), Guthrie's ground plum (*Astragalus bibullatus*), and Tennessee purple coneflower (*Echinacea tennesseensis*). The applicant intends to collect seeds from the listed plant species within National Park Service properties within Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Number: TE101191.

Applicant: Russell A. Benedict, Pella, Iowa.

The applicant requests a permit to take the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) throughout Iowa. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Number: TE101192.

Applicant: Arthur Howard, Indiana Army National Guard, Edinburgh, Indiana.

The applicant requests a permit to take the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) at Camp Atterbury, Indiana. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Number: TE101193.

Applicant: Robert R. Kiser, Whitesburg, Kentucky.

The applicant requests a permit to take the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), gray bat (*M. grisescens*), Virginia big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii virginianus*), and the Blackside dace (*Phoxinus cumberlandensis*) throughout the species range. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Number: TE101297.

Applicant: Catherine E. Brown McCall, Georgetown University, Washington, DC.

The applicant requests a permit to take the Karner blue butterfly (*Lycaeides melissa samuelis*) in Wisconsin. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Number: TE091328.

Applicant: John Chengler, Bat Conservation and Management, Inc., Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) throughout Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Dated: March 14, 2005.

Jeffery C. Gosse,

Acting Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Guidance for Distributing Fiscal Year 2005 Contract Support Funds and Indian Self-Determination Funds

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of methodology for distribution and use of FY 2005 Contract Support Funds and Indian Self-Determination Funds.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Affairs (Bureau) is publishing this notice to inform the public, the tribes, and Federal staff of the methodology that will be used for the distribution of CSF and ISDF for FY 2005. These funds are distributed as authorized by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975, as amended, and financed with funds appropriated under the Snyder Act. This distribution methodology is published to ensure eligible recipients and responsible federal employees are aware of program operations for this fiscal year. This is a guidance document, it is not establishing regulations.

DATES: The "FY 2005 CSF Needs Report" is due June 30, 2005. Final distribution of CSF will be made on a pro-rata basis on or about July 19, 2005. FY 2005 ISDF will be distributed on a first come, first served basis, until funds are depleted.

ADDRESSES: Submit the "FY 2005 CSF Needs Report" to: Harry Rainbolt, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Tribal Services, 1951 Constitution Avenue

NW., Mail Stop 320-SIB, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Harry Rainbolt, (202) 513-7630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title I and title IV of Public Law 93-638, the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975, as amended, authorizes the Bureau to annually distribute CSF and ISDF. In making these distributions for FY 2005, the Bureau will follow the procedures in this notice.

The request for FY 2005 ISDF for new and expanded contracts and self-governance funding agreements may be submitted to the Bureau throughout the year as the need arises. Approved requests will be funded until the ISDF is depleted.

Part 1—Contract Support Funds

1.1 What Is the Purpose of Contract Support Funds (CSF)?

The Bureau provides CSF to meet the indirect cost need identified for ongoing/existing self-determination contracts and self-governance compacts that are financed with funds appropriated pursuant to the Snyder Act (25 U.S.C. 13). [Note that 25 U.S.C. 450j-3, restricts the use of CSF for only self-determination contracts and self-governance compacts. Congress directed in the FY 2005 appropriations bill, however, that the Secretary continue to distribute indirect and administrative cost funds to Tribes and tribal organizations that received such funds in FY 2003 or FY 2004.

1.2 How Does BIA Determine Eligibility for CSF?

All self-determination contractors and self-governance tribes/consortia with either an approved indirect cost rate, a current indirect cost proposal on file with the National Business Center (NBC), or an approved current lump sum agreement are eligible to receive CSF.

1.3 How Does the Bureau Determine Indirect Cost Need and CSF Amounts for Contracts and Annual Funding Agreements?

The methodology used to determine indirect cost amount and CSF need is as follows:

(1) Total current year Program fund amount;

(2) Less exclusions; exclusions are determined as follows:

(a) For Construction under Public Law 93-638, as amended, title I, section 106(h), the amount of construction funding provided for the actual "on-the-

ground" construction activities is an exclusion.

(b) For a Direct Cost Base consisting of Salaries and Wages, all costs except "Salaries and Wages" are exclusions.

(c) For a Direct Cost Base consisting of "total direct costs less capital expenditures and pass-through, such as those items requiring minimal administrative effort," capital expenditures and pass-through items are considered exclusions.

Capital Expenditure: The acquisition of items of personal property with an individual value of \$5,000 or more, and real property acquisition, renovation or repair with a value of \$5,000 or more.

Pass-Through: Those programs expenditures for items requiring minimal level of effort to be performed by tribal administrative personnel, such as: grants to individuals (i.e., scholarship grants, general assistance grants, etc.); leases; subcontracts; management and/or professional agreements; etc.

- (3) Direct Cost Base amount;
- (4) Times indirect cost rate;
- (5) Indirect cost amount;
- (6) Times current CSF funding percentage; and
- (7) CSF amount.

1.4 What Is Designated as an Ongoing/Existing Contract or Funding Agreement?

An ongoing/existing contract or annual funding agreement is a Bureau program operated under a self-determination contract or a self-governance compact on an ongoing basis, which was entered into before the current fiscal year. Examples:

(1) All contracted or compacted programs, functions, services, activities or those included in annual funding agreements in the previous fiscal year and continued in the current fiscal year that are financed with funds appropriated to the Bureau;

(2) Direct funding increases for programs financed with funds appropriated to the Bureau; and

(3) Programs, functions, services, or activities started or expanded in the current fiscal year that are a result of a change in priorities from other already contracted, annual funding agreement programs, functions, services, or activities financed with funds appropriated to the Bureau.

1.5 Does an Increase or Decrease in the Level of Funding From Year to Year Affect the Designation of a Contract or Annual Funding Agreement?

No.