

scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as the instrument is intended to be used, was being manufactured in the United States at the time the instrument was ordered. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument is a conventional transmission electron microscope (CTEM) and is intended for research or scientific educational uses requiring a CTEM. We know of no CTEM, or any other instrument suited to these purposes, which was being manufactured in the United States at the time of order.

Gerald A. Zerdy,

Program Manager, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-580-837]

Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon-Quality Steel Plate From the Republic of Korea: Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce

ACTION: Notice of rescission of countervailing duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: On March 22, 2001, in response to a request from Dongkuk Steel Mill Co., Ltd. (DSM) (respondent), the Department of Commerce (Department) initiated an administrative review of the countervailing duty order on certain cut-to-length carbon-quality steel plate from the Republic of Korea. The review covers the period July 26, 1999 through December 31, 2000. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), the Department is rescinding this review because respondent has withdrawn its request for review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 25, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tipten Troidl or Darla Brown, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement VI, Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 4012, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-2786.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 28, 2001, the Department received from DSM a request for an administrative review of the countervailing duty order on certain cut-to-length carbon-quality steel plate from Korea for the period July 26, 1999 through December 31, 2000. On March

22, 2001, the Department published in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 6587) a notice of "Initiation of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review" initiating the administrative review.

On June 15, 2001, respondent withdrew its request for review. The applicable regulation, 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), states that if a party that requested an administrative review withdraws the request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review, the Secretary will rescind the review. Because DSM requested that the Department withdraw the administrative review within the appropriate time period stated in 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), and it was the only party to request this review, we find it reasonable to accept the party's withdrawal of its request for review. Therefore, we are rescinding the review of the countervailing duty order on certain cut-to-length carbon-quality steel plate from the Republic of Korea for DSM covering the period July 26, 1999 through December 31, 2000.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4) and Section 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: July 18, 2001.

Bernard T. Carreau,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Request for Research Proposals (RFP)

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

ACTION: Notice of solicitation for applications.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces a research set-aside program and describes how the application and selection process for research projects to be funded by a set-aside from the Total Allowable Landings (TAL) of selected species will operate. The award of set-aside from the TAL of selected species is contingent upon the approval of Framework Adjustment 1 to the Mid-Atlantic

Fishery Management Council's (Council's) Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish; Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass; Bluefish; and Tilefish Fishery Management Plans (FMPs) (Framework 1). Framework 1 and the Council setting appropriate research quotas will be the subject of future rulemaking. In anticipation of final approval of Framework 1, which is not the subject of this notice, NMFS is soliciting proposals for research activities concerning the summer flounder, scup, black sea bass, *Loligo* squid, *Illex* squid, Atlantic mackerel, butterfish, bluefish, and tilefish fisheries.

DATES: All research proposals to be considered under this solicitation must be received between July 25 2001 and 5:00 p.m., EST, on August 24, 2001, in the Northeast Regional Office (see **ADDRESSES**). Postmarks will not be sufficient. Facsimile applications will not be accepted. For further information related to the timeframe for review and selection of proposals to be conducted with research quota set-asides, see Section A, Background, under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: Proposals must be submitted to Patricia A. Kurkul, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Northeast Regional Office, 1 Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark proposals "Attention: Mid-Atlantic Research Proposals."

Copies of the Standard Forms for submission of research proposals may be found on the Internet in a PDF (Portable Document Format) version at <http://www.ofa.noaa.gov/grants/index.html> under the title "Grants Management Forms," or by contacting the Council office (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Furlong, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, (302) 674-2331 or David Gouveia, Fishery Policy Analyst, NMFS, (978) 281-9280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

Framework 1 to the FMPs has been submitted by the Council to NMFS for review. If approved, Framework 1, which will be the subject of a rulemaking published in the **Federal Register** at a later date, would establish a procedure through which research set-aside amounts would be set annually as part of the Council's quota-setting process. The set-asides could range between 0 and 3 percent of each species' TAL. It is intended that the set-aside allocated for a given species be utilized