

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 050503A]

Marine Mammals; File No. 763-1534-01

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the National Zoological Park, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. 20008-2598 [Principal Investigator: Dr. Daryl Boness], has been issued an amendment to scientific research Permit No. 763-1534-00.

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

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

Assistant Regional Administrator for Protected Resources, Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-2298; phone (508)281-9346; fax (508)281-9371.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ruth Johnson or Jennifer Skidmore (301) 713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 28, 2003, notice was published in the *Federal Register* (68 FR 14585) that an amendment of Permit No. 763-1534-00 issued March 10, 2000 (65 FR 14947), had been requested by the above-named organization. The requested amendment has been granted under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The Permit authorizes the Holder to import/export samples taken from non-endangered species of the Orders Cetacea and Pinnipedia [except walrus].

Dated: May 29, 2003.

Stephen L. Leathery,

Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Continuing Collection; Comment Request

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance 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 extension of a currently approved collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 of the proposed 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 the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by August 4, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the continuing information collection should be sent to the TRICARE Management Activity, 5111 Leesburg Pike, Suite 810, Falls Church, VA. 22041-3206, Attn: Major Joann Kelsch.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the continuation of this information collection, please write to the above address or contact TRICARE Management Activity, DHP Management Control and Financial Studies at 703-681-3492.

Title, Associated Form and OMB

Number: Third Party Collection Program—Record of Other Health Insurance, DD Form 2569; OMB Number 0704-0323.

Needs and Uses: The information contained in the DD Form 2569 will be used to collect reimbursement from private insurers for medical care provided to family members of retirees and deceased Service members having health insurance. Such monetary benefits accruing to the Military Treatment Facility (MTF) will be used to enhance healthcare delivery in the MTF. Information will also be used by MTF staff and CHAMPUS Fiscal

Intermediaries to determine eligibility for care, deductibles, and co-payments and by Health Affairs for program planning and management.

Affected Public: Family members of retirees and deceased Service members having health insurance.

Annual Burden Hours: 115,096 hours (.041 × 2,807,212).

Number of Respondents: 2,807,212.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: .041 hrs (2.5 minutes).

Frequency: Annually or on occasion when insurance information changes.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

This is a reinstatement of a previously approved collection that will expire July 31, 2003.

The administration has placed increased emphasis upon recovery of health care expenses under the Federal Medical Care Recovery Act. Completion of this form, while increasing total burden hours, will aid in increasing revenues (O&M dollars), services, and operating efficiency and effectiveness within the Military Health Services System. This information is collected either during the inpatient stay admission and/or discharge process or during the visit when a patient presents for an outpatient procedure.

Dated: May 29, 2003.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the Advisory Panel To Assess the Capabilities for Domestic Response to Terrorist Attacks Involving Weapons of Mass Destruction

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and summary agenda for the next meeting of the Panel to Assess the Capabilities for Domestic Response to Terrorist Attacks Involving Weapons of Mass Destruction. Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. (Pub. L. 92-463).

DATES: June 16-17, 2003.

ADDRESSES: RAND, 1200 S. Hayes Street, 4th floor, Arlington, VA 22202-5050.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: RAND provides information about this

Panel on its Web site at <http://www.rand.org/organization/nsrd/terrpanel/>; it can also be reached at (703) 413-1100 extension 5683.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Proposed Schedule and Agenda

Panel to Assess the Capabilities for Domestic Response to Terrorist Attacks Involving Weapons of Mass Destruction will meet from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on June 16, 2003 and from 8:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. on June 17, 2003. Time will be allocated for public comments by individuals or organizations at the end of the meeting on June 17th. Public comment presentations will be limited to two minutes each and must be provided in writing prior to the meeting. Mail written presentations and requests to register to attend the open public session to: Hillary Peck, RAND, 1200 South Hayes Street, Arlington, VA 22202-5050. Public seating for this meeting is limited, and is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Dated: May 29, 2003.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board; Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board Task Force on the Smallpox Vaccine Down Select Process will meet in closed session on July 24, 2003, in Washington, DC. The Task Force will perform an independent evaluation of the Department of Defense and Department of Health and Human Services smallpox vaccine candidates.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At this meeting, the Task Force will evaluate each of the smallpox vaccine candidates to include the following type of issues: choice of cell line and viral strain used; preclinical data in appropriate animal models; review of vaccine production methodology to include rates of production and surge

capacity; review of protocols for clinical trials to include adverse reaction rates; review of cost issues as they relate to production of the vaccine; review of critical regulatory issues associated with the use of the vaccine; and any other issues that the Task Force feels, based on its experience, are relevant.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II), it has been determined that this Defense Science Board Task Force meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(4) and that, accordingly, the meeting will be closed to the public.

Dated: May 29, 2003.

Patricia Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Proposed Mandatory Use of USBank's PowerTrack System by Department of Defense Personal Property Transportation Service Providers

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC), as the Department of Defense (DOD) Traffic Manager for the Household Goods and Personal Property Program, proposes the mandatory use of USBank's PowerTrack System as the transaction and payment system for all DOD Transportation Service Providers (TSP), beginning with the implementation of Phase I of the Defense Future Personal Property Program, (Families First). Furthermore, the use of MTMC's Centralized Web Application (CWA) will also be mandatory. Implementation of PowerTrack at all Military Services and Coast Guard installations is the goal of Families First, which is the first step in moving toward the reengineered Personal Property Program of the future.

This announcement is being made to afford TSPs ample time to comment and plan for potential future data feeds to PowerTrack. The Electronic Billing and Payment portion of the Families First Web site is located at <http://www.mtmc.army.mil>, under the Personal Property Program. The site offers industry access to updates on the Business Rules, Concept of Operations (CONOPS), and System Interface Specifications.

DATES: The initial rollout of PowerTrack and CWA is proposed to begin October 1, 2003. Comments must be submitted on or before 30 days from publication.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent by e-mail to: thomasg@mtmc.army.mil; or by courier to: Headquarters, Military Traffic Management Command, ATTN: MTPP-PD, Room 10N35-58 (George Thomas), Hoffman Building II, 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, VA 22332-5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. George Thomas at (703) 428-2237.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The initial rollout (see **DATES**) is proposed to serve as the Evaluation Period for the Phase I process, and involve a limited number of Personal Property Shipping Office's (PPSO) and TSP's. Expansion to the remaining PPSO's and TSP's is proposed to commence on or about April 2004. It is important to note that not all PPSO's will be impacted during the Evaluation Period. For this reason, TSPs should file their rates for the Winter Cycle assuming that PowerTrack and CWA will not be used.

Transportation Providers wishing to transport personal property shipments for the DOD must have an agreement with USBank and be PowerTrack certified for the electronic payment of commercial transportation services. It is important that TPs begin the PowerTrack signup process by calling USBank at 1-800-417-1844. Additional information on PowerTrack is available at <http://www.usbank.com/powertrack>. Only those TPs that are PowerTrack certified will be eligible to receive personal property shipments.

I. Background

On 7 July 1997, the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) issued a memorandum, which required the reengineering of defense transportation documentation and financial processes as part of an effort to revolutionize DOD business practices across all Military Services and Agencies. A major component of the reengineering effort is the implementation of USBank's PowerTrack System. PowerTrack has been implemented for DOD freight shipments for all modes of transportation and now is under consideration for DOD personal property shipments. In June 2002, the USTRANSCOM Personal Property report was released, and USTRANSCOM directed that work begin on the future Personal Property program. USTRANSCOM tasked MTMC, in conjunction with the Military Services and Industry, to map our