

subject to all Federal laws and Federal and DOC policies, regulations, and procedures applicable to Federal assistance awards.

**D. Name Check Review** All non-profit and for-profit applicants are subject to a name check review process. Name checks are intended to reveal if any key individuals associated with the recipient have been convicted of, or are presently facing, criminal charges such as fraud, theft, perjury, or other matters that significantly reflect on the recipient's management, honesty, or financial integrity.

**E. Past Performance** Unsatisfactory performance under prior Federal awards may result in an application not being considered for funding.

**F. Pre-Award Activities** If applicants incur any costs prior to an award being made, they do so solely at their own risk of not being reimbursed by the Government. Notwithstanding any verbal or written assurance that may have been received, there is no obligation on the part of DOC to cover pre-award costs, should an award not be made or funded at a level less than requested.

**G. No Obligation for Future Funding** If the application is selected for funding, the Department of Commerce (DOC) has no obligation to provide any additional future funding in connection with that award. Renewal of an award to increase funding or extend the period of performance is at the total discretion of DOC.

**H. Delinquent Federal Debts** No award or Federal Funds will be made to an applicant who has an outstanding delinquent Federal debt until:

- (i) The delinquent account is paid in full;
- (ii) A negotiated repayment schedule is established and at least one payment is received; or
- (iii) Other arrangements satisfactory to DOC are made.

**I. Primary Applicant Certifications**

All organizations or individuals preparing grant applications must submit a completed Form CD-511 "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters; Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying," and explanations are hereby provided:

**Non-Procurement Debarment and Suspension** Prospective participants (as defined at 15 CFR part 26, section 105) are subject to 15 CFR part 26, "Non-procurement Debarment and Suspension" and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies.

**Drug-Free Workplace** Grantees (as defined at 15 CFR part 26, section 605)

are subject to 15 CFR part 26, subpart f, "Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)" and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies.

**Anti-Lobbying** Persons (as defined at 15 CFR part 28, section 105) are subject to the lobbying provisions of 31 U.S.C. 1352, "Limitation on use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracting and financial transactions," and the lobbying section of the certification form prescribed above applies to application/bids for grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts for more than \$100,000, and loans and loan guarantees for more than \$150,000.

**Anti-Lobbying Disclosures** Any applicant that has paid or will pay for lobbying using any funds must submit an SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," as required under 15 CFR part 28, appendix B.

**Lower-Tier Certifications** Recipients shall require applicants/bidders for subgrants, contracts, subcontracts, or other lower-tier-covered transactions at any tier under the award to submit, if applicable, a completed Form CD-512, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions and Lobbying" and disclosure form, SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities." Form CD-512 is intended for the use of recipients and should not be transmitted to DOC. SF-LLL submitted by any tier recipient or sub-recipient should be submitted to DOC in accordance with the instructions contained in the award document.

**False Statements** A false statement on an application is grounds for denial or termination of funds and grounds for possible punishment by a fine or imprisonment as provided in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

**Intergovernmental Review** Applications under this program are subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

## **XV. Classification**

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**Louisa Koch,**

*Chair, NOAA Minority Serving Institution Council.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

### **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**[I.D. 032701A]**

#### **Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will convene a public meeting of the Mackerel Stock Assessment Panel (MSAP).

**DATES:** This meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2001, and will conclude by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 18, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at NMFS Southeast Fisheries Science Center, 75 Virginia Beach Drive, Miami, FL.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Richard Leard, Senior Fishery Biologist, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: 813-228-2815.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The MSAP will convene to review stock assessment updates for Gulf and Atlantic group king and Spanish mackerel. The MSAP will consider available information, including but not limited to, commercial and recreational catches, natural and fishing mortality estimates, recruitment, fishery-dependent and fishery-independent data, bycatch and bycatch mortality, and data needs. These analyses will be used to determine the condition of the stocks and possibly the levels of acceptable biological catch (ABC) for the 2001-02 fishing year. The MSAP may also review estimates/proxies for maximum sustainable yield (MSY), overfishing and overfished definitions, management targets, and rebuilding schedules.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the agenda may come before the MSAP for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSFCMA), those issues may not be the subject of formal MSAP action during this meeting. MSAP action will

be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305 (c) of the MSFCMA, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency. A copy of the MSAP agenda can be obtained by calling (813) 228-2815.

#### Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Anne Alford at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) by April 9, 2001.

Dated: March 27, 2001.

**Richard W. Surdi,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 032201B]

#### South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of its Marine Protected Area Advisory Panel (AP) in Charleston, SC, to develop recommendations to send to the Council regarding areas that should be considered for Marine Protected Areas.

**DATES:** The Marine Protected Area AP will meet May 8-10, 2001. The meeting will begin on May 8, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., on May 9 from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., and on May 10 from 8:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** These meetings will be held at the Embassy Suites North Charleston Convention Center, 5055 International Boulevard, North Charleston, SC 29418; telephone: (843) 747-1882; fax: (843) 747-1895.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer; telephone: (843) 571-4366; fax: (843) 769-4520; email: kim.iverson@noaa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group

for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

#### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) by April 30, 2001.

Dated: March 23, 2001.

**Richard W. Surdi,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Membership of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Performance Review Board

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of Membership of NOAA Performance Review Board.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4), NOAA announces the appointment of three additional members to serve on the NOAA Performance Review Board (PRB). The NOAA PRB is responsible for reviewing performance appraisals and ratings of Senior Executive Service (SES) members and making written recommendations to the appointing authority on SES retention and compensation matters, including performance-based pay adjustments, awarding of bonuses and reviewing recommendations for potential Presidential Rank Award nominees, and SES recertification. The appointment of members to the NOAA PRB will be for a period of 24 months. **EFFECTIVE DATE:** The effective date of service of the three additional appointees to the NOAA Performance Review Board is April 9, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David M. Belt, Executive Resources Program Manager, Human Resources Management Office, Office of Finance

and Administration, NOAA, 1305 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, (301) 713-0530 (ext. 204).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The names and position titles of the additional members of the NOAA PRB are set forth below (all are NOAA officials):

Sonya S. Stewart, Chief Financial Officer/Chief Administrative Officer, Office of Finance and Administration  
Louisa Koch, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research  
Ted I. Lillestolen, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Ocean and Coastal Zone Management, National Ocean Service

Dated: March 27, 2001.

**Scott B. Gudes,**

*Acting Under Secretary/Administrator and Deputy Under Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### United States Patent and Trademark Office

#### Trademark Processing

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the submission of a revision of a currently approved information collection, 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 June 1, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Susan K. Brown, Records Officer, Office of Data Management, Data Administration Division, USPTO, Suite 310, Crystal Park 3, Washington, DC 20231; by telephone at 703-308-7400; or by e-mail at [susan.brown@uspto.gov](mailto:susan.brown@uspto.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be directed to Ari Leifman, United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), Washington, DC 20231, by telephone at 703-308-8900 (ext. 155).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) administers