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Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

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Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Alaska Pacific Halibut Fisheries: Subsistence Registration and Marking of Gear.

OMB Control Number: 0648-0460.

Form Number(s): NA.

Type of Request: Regular submission (extension of a current information collection).

Number of Respondents: 8,598.

Average Hours per Response: Registration, 10 minutes; gear marking, 15 minutes.

Burden Hours: 1,709.

Needs and Uses: This request is for extension of information collection requirements that are part of the program for the Pacific halibut subsistence fishery. The program includes requirements for registration to participate in the fishery and the marking of certain types of gear used in this fishery. Eligibility and requirements are codified in 50 CFR 300.65. The registration requirement is intended to allow qualified persons to practice the long-term, customary, and traditional harvest of Pacific halibut for food in a noncommercial manner. The gear-marking requirement aids in enforcement and in actions related to gear damage or loss. The registration information may be submitted by an

individual or as a list of multiple individuals from an Alaska Native tribe.

Affected Public: State, local or tribal government.

Frequency: Every two or every four years.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer:

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Minority Business Development Agency

Meeting of the National Advisory Council on Minority Business Enterprise

AGENCY: Minority Business Development Agency, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Advisory Council for Minority Business Enterprise (NACMBE) will hold its seventh meeting to discuss final recommendations in support of accelerating the growth of minority-owned businesses. The members of the Council will come to a consensus regarding the final recommendations to fulfill NACMBE's charter mandate in preparation for submission to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Commerce. The agenda may change to accommodate Council business.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, December 6, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Time (ET).

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, 2660 Woodley Road Northwest, Washington, DC 20008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Demetria Gallagher, National Director's Office, Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA), U.S. Department of Commerce at (202) 482-1624 email: dgallagher@mbda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Secretary of Commerce established the NACMBE pursuant to his discretionary authority and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2) on April 28, 2010. The NACMBE is to provide the Secretary of Commerce with recommendations from the private sector on a broad range of policy issues that affect minority businesses and their ability to access successfully the domestic and global marketplace.

Topics to be considered: During the meeting the Council will discuss and deliberate on final recommendations to accelerate the growth of minority-owned businesses in domestic and global markets. Recommendations for proposed programs and new policies are centered on the areas of focus of each subcommittee. The subcommittee topics include: (1) Definition of Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) and MBDA's role, (2) Creation of an MBE Forum, and (3) Strategic Alliances and Exports.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Public seating is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting must notify Demetria Gallagher at the contact information above by 5 p.m. EST on Monday, December 3, 2012, to preregister. Please specify any requests for reasonable accommodation at least ten (10) business days in advance of the meeting. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may not be possible to fulfill.

A limited amount of time, in the afternoon, will be available for pertinent brief oral comments from members of the public attending the meeting. Any member of the public may submit pertinent written comments concerning affairs of the NACMBE at www.mbda.gov/main/nacmbe-submit-comments. To be considered during the meeting, comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. ET on Tuesday, December 4, 2012, to ensure transmission to the Council prior to the meeting. Comments received after that date will be distributed to the members but may not be considered at the meeting.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for

sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Demetria Gallagher, at (202) 482-1624, or dgallagher@mbda.gov, at least ten (10) days before the meeting date.

Copies of the NACMBE open meeting minutes will be available to the public upon request.

Dated: November 7, 2012.

David A. Hinson,

National Director, Minority Business Development Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XC355

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice; public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Habitat Oversight Committee to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: This meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 4, 2012 at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Fairfield Inn & Suites, 185 MacArthur Drive, New Bedford, MA 02740; telephone: (774) 634-2000; fax: (774) 634-2001.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee will continue to develop options and alternatives for Omnibus Essential Fish Habitat Amendment 2 (OA2). Specifically, the Committee will review Habitat Advisory Panel and Plan Development Team recommendations about Dedicated Habitat Research Areas and gear modification measures, and select options for inclusion in the OA2 document. In addition, the PDT will provide advice on combining management options into alternatives to

meet overall adverse effects minimization requirements. Other area-management options and combined alternatives may also be discussed.

As a reminder, the Habitat Committee's work will feed into a joint process between the Habitat and Groundfish Committees. This joint process will draft combined alternatives that merge habitat options with yet-to-be-developed groundfish productivity-related options. This range of alternatives will be presented to the Council early next year for their approval for analysis in the OA2 Environmental Impact Statement/Magnuson-Stevens Act document.

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management staff will provide a brief status update on the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Wind Energy Areas (WEA) where leasing is under consideration, and will solicit feedback on a recently completed Environmental Assessment for the MA WEA.

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 listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: November 13, 2012.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Monkfish Oversight Committee and Advisory Panel in December, 2012 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: This meeting will be held on Thursday, December 6, 2012 at 10 a.m.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held at the Providence Biltmore, 11 Dorrance Street, Providence, RI 02903; telephone: (401) 421-0700; fax: (401) 455-3050.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee and Advisory Panel will continue development of Amendment 6 to the Monkfish Fishery Management Plan, including modifications to the current system, incorporation of monkfish into groundfish sectors, and/or individually transferable quotas (ITQs). This meeting is a continuation of the discussions at the August 8th joint meeting. The Committee will provide further direction to the Plan Development Team in the development of a range of alternatives to be incorporated into a draft amendment document for consideration by the Councils.

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