the PRC-wide entity to CBP 15 days after the date of publication of this

This notice serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order ("APO") of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

This notice is published in accordance with section 777(i)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: September 26, 2008.

#### Stephen J. Claeys,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

#### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[Docket No. 080626787-81262-05]

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#### Availability of Grants Funds for Fiscal Year 2009

AGENCY: National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce

**ACTION:** Notice

SUMMARY: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Ocean Service, publishes this notice on the Modeling the Causes of Hypoxia component of the Northern Gulf of Mexico program to extend the original proposal due date.

**DATES:** The new deadline for the receipt of proposals is 3 p.m. EST, November 20, 2008, for both electronic and paper applications.

ADDRESSES: The address for submitting proposals electronically is: http://www.grants.gov/. (Electronic submission is strongly encouraged). Paper submissions should be sent to the attention of, Center for Sponsored Coastal Ocean Research (N/SCI2), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 1305 East-West Highway, SSMC4, 8th Floor Station 8240, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Libby Jewett, (*libby.jewett@noaa.gov*, 301–713–3338 x 121).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This program was originally solicited in the Federal Register on July 11, 2008, as part of the July 2008 NOAA Omnibus solicitation. The original deadline for receipt of proposals was 3 p.m., EST, on October 20, 2008. NOAA is extending the solicitation period to provide the public more time to submit proposals. The new deadline for the receipt of proposals is November 20, 2008, for both electronic and paper applications. All other requirements for this solicitation remain the same.

#### **Award Notices**

The notice of award is signed by the NOAA Grants Officer and is the authorizing document. It is provided by postal mail or electronically through the Grants Online system to the appropriate business office of the recipient organization.

## Administrative and National Policy Requirements

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements contained in the **Federal Register** notice of February 11, 2008 (73 FR 7696) are applicable to this solicitation.

#### Limitation of Liability

In no event will NOAA or the Department of Commerce be responsible for proposal preparation costs if these programs fail to receive funding or are cancelled because of other agency priorities. Publication of this announcement does not oblige NOAA to award any specific project or to obligate any available funds.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

NOAA must analyze the potential environmental impacts, as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), for applicant projects or proposals which are seeking NOAA Federal funding opportunities. Detailed information on NOAA compliance with NEPA can be found at the following NOAA NEPA website: http:// www.nepa.noaa.gov/, including our NOAA Administrative Order 216-6 for NEPA, http://www.nepa.noaa.gov/ NAO216 6 TOC.pdf, and the Council on Environmental Quality implementation regulations, http:// ceq.eh.doe.gov/nepa/regs/ceq/ toc mceq.htm. Consequently, as part of an applicant's package, and under their description of their program activities, applicants are required to provide

detailed information on the activities to be conducted, locations, sites, species and habitat to be affected, possible construction activities, and any environmental concerns that may exist (e.g., the use and disposal of hazardous or toxic chemicals, introduction of nonindigenous species, impacts to endangered and threatened species, aquaculture projects, and impacts to coral reef systems).

In addition to providing specific information that will serve as the basis for any required impact analyses, applicants may also be requested to assist NOAA in drafting of an environmental assessment, if NOAA determines an assessment is required. Applicants will also be required to cooperate with NOAA in identifying and implementing feasible measures to reduce or avoid any identified adverse environmental impacts of their proposal. The failure to do so shall be grounds for the denial of an application.

In conformance with the Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements section 15 CFR 14.36, any data collected in projects supported by NCCOS/CSCOR should be delivered to a National Data Center (NDC), such as the National Oceanographic Data Center (NODC), in a format to be determined by the institution, the NDC, and the Program Officer. Information on NOAA NDCs can be found at http:// www.nesdis.noaa.gov/datainfo.html. It is the responsibility of the institution for the delivery of these data; the DOC will not provide additional support for delivery beyond the award. Additionally, all biological cultures established, molecular probes developed, genetic sequences identified, mathematical models constructed, or other resulting information products established through support provided by NCCOS/CSCOR are encouraged to be made available to the general research community at no or modest handling charge (to be determined by the institution, Program Officer, and DOC).

### Reporting

All performance (i.e. technical progress) reports shall be submitted electronically through the Grants Online system unless the recipient does not have internet access. In that case, performance reports are to be submitted to the NOAA program manager. All financial reports shall be submitted in the same manner.

#### **Agency Contacts**

Technical Information: Libby Jewett, Program Manager, 301–713–3338/ext 121, Internet: libby.jewett@noaa.gov Business Management Information: Laurie Golden, NCCOS/CSCOR Grants Administrator, 301–713–3338/ext 151, Internet: laurie.golden@noaa.gov.

#### Other Information

Administrative Procedure Act

Notice and comment are not required under the Administrative Procedure Act, (5 U.S.C. 553), or any other law, for notices relating to public property, loans, grants, benefits or contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)). Because notice and comment is not required, a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis is not required and has not been prepared for this notice, (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.).

#### Paperwork Reduction Act

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. This notification involves collection-of-information requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act. The use of Standard Forms 424, 424A, 424B, and SF-LLL has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under control numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040 and 0348-0046, respectively.

Dated: September 24, 2008.

#### John Potts,

Chief Financial Officer, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Ocean Service.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

#### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

# Availability of Seats for the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council

AGENCY: Office of National Marine Sanctuaries (ONMS), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice and request for

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**SUMMARY:** The Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary (HIHWNMS or sanctuary) is seeking applicants for both primary and alternate members of the following seats on its Sanctuary Advisory Council (council): Business/Commerce, Citizen-

At-Large, Commercial Shipping, Conservation, Ocean Recreation, Tourism, and Whale Watching. The HIHWNMS is also seeking applicants for alternate members of the Native Hawaiian seat and the Fishing seat. Applicants are chosen based upon their particular expertise and experience in relation to the seat for which they are applying; community and professional affiliations; philosophy regarding the protection and management of marine resources; and possibly the length of residence in the area affected by the Sanctuary. Applicants who are chosen as members should expect to serve 2year terms, pursuant to the Council's Charter with the exception of the Native Hawaiian and Fishing seat alternates who will serve 1-yr terms.

**DATES:** Applications are due by November 15, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Application kits may be obtained from Christine Brammer, 6600 Kalanianaole Hwy., Suite 301, Honolulu, HI 96825 or Christine.Brammer@noaa.gov.
Completed applications should be sent to the same address. Applications are also available online at http://hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Naomi McIntosh, 6600 Kalanianaole Hwy., Suite 301, Honolulu, HI 96825 or *Naomi.McIntosh@noaa.gov* or 808.397.2651.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The HIHWNMS Advisory Council was established in March 1996 to assure continued public participation in the management of the sanctuary. Since its establishment, the council has played a vital role in the decisions affecting the Sanctuary surrounding the main Hawaiian Islands.

The council's 17 voting members represent a variety of local user groups, as well as the general public.

The council is supported by three committees: A Research Committee chaired by the Research Representative, an Education Committee chaired by the Education Representative, and a Conservation Committee chaired by the Conservation Representative, each respectively dealing with matters concerning research, education and resource protection.

The council represents the coordination link between the sanctuary and the state and federal management agencies, user groups, researchers, educators, policy makers, and other various groups that help to focus efforts and attention on the humpback whale and its habitat around the main Hawaiian Islands.

The council functions in an advisory capacity to the sanctuary management and is instrumental in helping to develop policies and program goals, and to identify education, outreach, research, long-term monitoring, resource protection and revenue enhancement priorities. The council works in concert with the sanctuary management by keeping him or her informed about issues of concern throughout the sanctuary, offering recommendations on specific issues, and aiding in achieving the goals of the sanctuary within the context of Hawai'i's marine programs and policies.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. Sections 1431, *et seq.* (Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Number 11.429, Marine Sanctuary Program)

Dated: September 22, 2008.

#### Daniel J. Basta,

Director, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

#### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN: 0648-XK84

## New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Research Steering Committee (Committee), in October, 2008, 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: The meeting will be held on Thursday, October 16, 2008, at 9:30 a.m. ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the The Westin, 70 Third Street, Waltham, MA 02451; telephone: (781) 290–5600; fax: (781) 890–5959.

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.