

achieve controlled growth of nanostructures with desired morphology, size and functionalities. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: June 29, 2007.

Docket Number: 07-045. Applicant: Florida Fish and Wildlife Research Institute, Saint Petersburg, FL. Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model JEM-1400. Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: The instrument is intended to be used to visualize the ultrastructure of various organisms to understand growth and disease processes. Examples include studies of: screening for viruses in sea grass, fish testis and ovarian development, termination of harmful algal blooms and the reproductive developmental processes in the blue crab and in clams. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: June 11, 2007.

Docket Number: 07-046. Applicant: Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Chevy Chase, MD. Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model Tecnai G2 20 TWIN. Manufacturer: FEI Company, Czech Republic. Intended Use: The instrument is intended to be used initially for a large scale brain imaging effort based on thin sections of tissue from model organisms such as the rat, the fruit fly and the nematode. The objective is to provide complete brain circuitry information based on high resolution imaging of these organisms. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: July 16, 2007.

Docket Number: 07-048. Applicant: The University of Michigan, Department of Materials Science and Engineering, Ann Arbor, MI. Instrument: Low Voltage Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: DeLong Instruments, Czech Republic. Intended Use: The instrument is intended to be used for the design and optimization of materials that can be used to create a stable, sensitive interface between electrically active tissue and electronic devices and to characterize the thickness, morphology, crystallinity, and uniformity of coatings developed to accommodate the variations in mechanical properties, electrical activity, and bioactive response across the interface between a mechanical device and tissue. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: July 19, 2007.

Docket Number: 07-042. Applicant: University of Arizona, Department of Physics, Tucson, AZ. Instrument: Low Temperature Ultra-high Vacuum Scanning Tunneling Microscope. Manufacturer: Omicron NanoTechnology GmbH, Germany. Intended Use: The instrument is intended to be used to study several

low-dimensional materials including carbon nanotubes and semiconductor nanowires in order to: (1) Correlate electrical properties with optical techniques to understand the role of excitons in the measured optical properties, (2) Determine the limits to carbon nanotube device performance by measuring the scattering lengths which degrade their performance and (3) Develop a fundamental understanding of low-dimensional materials in particular unique aspects of one-dimensional metals.

The instrument must provide a temperature at the sample down to 5 K, cool down time to 5 K as low as 6 hours, with 15 hours between refills, Z-resolution to 0.01 nm and achievable vacuum to 10 to the 11th mbar with guaranteed atomic resolution in constant current and constant height on Au(111). Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: June 29, 2007.

Dated: July 25, 2007.

Faye Robinson,

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Import Administration.*

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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: National Marine Sanctuary Program (NMSP), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice and request for applications.

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): Education, Fishing, Hawaii County, Honolulu County, Kauai County, Maui County, Native Hawaiian, and Research. 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 2-year terms, pursuant to the Council's Charter.

DATES: Applications are due by August 31, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Application kits may be obtained from Mary Grady, 6600 Kalanianaʻole Hwy, Suite 301, Honolulu, HI 96825 or Mary.Grady@noaa.gov. Completed applications should be sent to the same address. Applications are also available online at: <http://hawaii.humpbackwhale.noaa.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Naomi McIntosh, 6600 Kalanianaʻole 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 twenty-four voting members represent a variety of local user groups, as well as the general public, plus ten local, state and federal governmental jurisdictions.

The Council is supported by three committees: a Research Committee chaired by the Research representative, and 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 Manager 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 Manager by keeping him or her informed about issues of concern throughout the Sanctuary, offering recommendations on specific issues, and aiding the Manager in achieving the goals of the Sanctuary program within the context of Hawaii's marine programs and policies.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1431, *et seq.*

(Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Number 11.429 Marine Sanctuary Program)

Dated: July 19, 2007.

Daniel J. Basta,

Director, National Marine Sanctuary Program, National Ocean Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Marine Mammals; File No. 633-1778

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Center for Coastal Studies, Principal Investigator: Richard Delaney, has been issued an amendment to scientific research Permit No. 633-1778.

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

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)427-2521;

Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-2298; phone (978)281-9300; fax (978)281-9394; and

Southeast Region, NMFS, 263 13th Avenue South, Saint Petersburg, Florida 33701; phone (727)824-5312; fax (727)824-5309.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brandy Hutnak or Carrie Hubbard, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 21, 2005, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 13481) that a scientific research permit (No. 633-1778), issued June 26, 2006 (71 FR 40995), had been requested by the above-named individual. A portion of the action area, as originally requested, was left out of the permit as an oversight, although it was previously analyzed. On March 11, 2007, the applicant requested that the permit be amended to include the entire action area, as requested in the original application. This amendment was issued on July 19, 2007. 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.*), the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222-226).

This amendment extends the action area to include all U.S. waters of the North Atlantic Ocean (with the exception of the Gulf of Mexico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico).

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), a supplemental environmental assessment was prepared analyzing the effects of the permitted activities. After a Finding of No Significant Impact, the determination was made that it was not necessary to prepare an environmental impact statement.

Issuance of this permit amendment, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit: (1) was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: July 25, 2007.

P. Michael Payne,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

Science Advisory Board; Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Science Advisory Board (SAB) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated September 25, 1997, and is the only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on strategies for research, education, and application of science to operations and information services. SAB activities and advice

provide necessary input to ensure that National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) science programs are of the highest quality and provide optimal support to resource management.

Time and Date: The meeting will be held Wednesday August 22, 2007, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Thursday August 23, 2007, from 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. These times and the agenda topics described below are subject to change. Please refer to the web page <http://www.sab.noaa.gov/Meetings/meetings.html> for the most up-to-date meeting agenda.

Place: The meeting will be held both days at the Mystic Hilton Hotel, 20 Coogan Boulevard, Mystic, Connecticut 06355, pending approval of a purchase order. Please check the SAB Web site <http://www.sab.noaa.gov> for confirmation of the venue.

Status: The meeting will be open to public participation with a 30-minute public comment period on August 22 (check Web site to confirm time). The SAB expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of five (5) minutes. Written comments (at least 35 copies) should be received in the SAB Executive Director's Office by August 15, 2007 to provide sufficient time for SAB review. Written comments received by the SAB Executive Director after August 15, 2007, will be distributed to the SAB, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Matters To Be Considered: The meeting will include the following topics: (1) the Merger of the Ocean Exploration and National Undersea Research Programs; (2) the Results from the Ocean Exploration Advisory Working Group Workshop on Planning the Maiden Voyage of the Okeanos Explorer; (3) Nekton Studies around Bear Seamount; (4) Extended Continental Shelf Exploration; (5) Update on the NOAA Response to the External Review of NOAA's Ecosystem Research and Science Enterprise; (6) Report on the NOAA Response to the National Research Council Decadal Survey; (7) Update on the NOAA Response to the Hurricane Intensity Research Working Group Reports; (8) the Results of the SAB Climate Working Group's Climate Observations and Analysis Program Review; (9) Report on the Recommendations from the Data Archive and Access Requirements Working Group; and (10) Updates from