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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Stacey Miller, Northwest Fisheries Science Center (NWFSC); telephone: 206-860-3480; or Mr. John DeVore, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: 503-820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to review draft whiting stock assessment documents and any other pertinent stock information, work with the Stock Assessment Team to make necessary revisions to the draft whiting stock assessment, and produce a STAR Panel report for use by the Council family and other interested persons. No management actions will be decided by the STAR Panel. The STAR Panel's role will be development of recommendations and reports for consideration by the Council at its March meeting in Seattle, Washington.

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Although nonemergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the STAR Panel meeting participants for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal STAR Panel meeting action during this meeting. STAR Panel 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the STAR Panel meeting participants' 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 Ms. Carolyn Porter at 503-820-2280 at least five days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: January 18, 2006.

Emily Menashes,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 011806E]

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Groundfish Management Team (GMT) and Groundfish Allocation Committee (Committee) will hold working meetings, which are open to the public.

DATES: The GMT meeting will be held Monday, February 6, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. until business for the day is completed. The GMT will reconvene Tuesday, February 7, 2006 at 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m., when both the GMT and Committee will meet until business for the day is completed. The GMT and Committee meeting will reconvene on Wednesday, February 8 and Thursday, February 9 at 8:30 a.m. each day until business for each day is completed. The GMT will reconvene on Friday, February 10, 2006 at 8:30 a.m. and continue until their business is completed.

ADDRESSES: The GMT and Committee meetings will be held at the Red Lion Hotel—Convention Center, St. Johns Room, 1021 NE Grand Avenue, Portland, OR 97232. Telephone: 503-235-2100.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, Oregon 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John DeVore, Groundfish Management Coordinator; telephone: 503-820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the GMT and Committee meetings are to develop 2007-2008 Pacific Coast groundfish fishery allocation options and other management measure alternatives for analysis. The GMT and Committee will discuss the types of provisions that may be necessary to prevent further overfishing, to reduce bycatch of depleted species in the various groundfish fisheries, and to reduce bycatch in non-groundfish fisheries, while considering the needs of West Coast fishing communities. No management actions will be decided by the GMT or Committee. The GMT's role and that of the Committee will be

development of recommendations and alternatives for analysis for consideration by the Council at its April 2006 meeting in Sacramento, California.

Although nonemergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the GMT or the Committee for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal GMT or Committee action during this meeting. GMT or Committee 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Committee's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 011806D]

Western Pacific 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 Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of the Hawaii-based members of the Council Bottomfish Plan Team (BPT) to consider alternatives to end bottomfish overfishing in the Main Hawaiian Islands.

DATES: The meeting of the BPT will be held on February 8, 2006, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For specific times, and the agenda, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The meeting of the BPT will be held at the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council conference room, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director;
telephone: (808)522-8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BPT will meet on February 8, 2006 to discuss the following agenda items.

February 8, 2006, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

1. Introductions.
2. Approval of draft agenda and assignment of rapporteurs.
3. Review of last plan team meeting and actions from the 129th Council Meeting.
4. Review the alternatives developed to address overfishing of bottomfish in the Main Hawaiian Islands.
5. Review Hawaii Division of Aquatic Resources proposed redefinition of bottomfish Restricted Fishing Areas in the Main Hawaiian Islands.
6. Review the Pacific Island Fisheries Science Center (PIFSC) report on Hawaii Bottomfish.
7. Status of PIFSC Bottomfish stock assessment.
8. Other business.

The order in which the agenda items are addressed may change. Public comment periods will be provided throughout the agenda.

The Agenda Background Information

On May 27, 2005, the Secretary of Commerce notified the Council of this overfishing determination and gave the Council until May 2006 to develop a plan to reduce fishing mortality for bottomfish in the MHI. Scientists at NMFS' Pacific Islands Fishery Science Center (PIFSC) report that the target level of effort reduction, based on 2003 fishery statistics, is 15 percent.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before the Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issue arising after publication of this document that requires 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

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522-8220 (voice) or (808) 522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Telecommunications and Information Administration****Notice: Request for Nominations, Spectrum Management Advisory Committee**

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

ACTION: Reopening of nomination period.

SUMMARY: On October 28, 2005, the Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration published a notice in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 62,099) announcing the formation of the Spectrum Management Advisory Committee (Committee) and soliciting nominations for persons to serve on the Committee. The October 28, 2005 notice provided that all nominations of potential members must be received by the Department no later than November 28, 2005. The October 28, 2005 notice also provided additional information concerning the Committee and membership on the Committee. This notice reopens the nomination period in order to provide the public with an additional opportunity to submit nominations. The evaluation criteria for selecting members contained in the October 28, 2005 notice shall continue to apply.

DATES: The Department will accept nominations postmarked or electronically transmitted on or before January 31, 2006. Please note that nominations previously submitted at any time prior to the date of this notice (including those submitted after the November 28, 2005 deadline) will be considered and should not be resubmitted.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to submit nominations should send the nominee's resume to the attention of Joe Gattuso, Office of the Assistant Secretary, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 4898, Washington DC 20230; by facsimile transmission to (202) 501-0536; or by electronic mail to spectrumadvisory@ntia.doc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joe Gattuso at (202) 482-0977 or jgattuso@ntia.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 29, 2004, the President issued a Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies on the subject of "Spectrum Management for the 21st Century."¹ Among other things, the Executive Memorandum directed the heads of the executive departments and agencies to implement the recommendations contained in two Commerce Department reports to the President identifying improvements in U.S. spectrum management.² The first recommendation in *Report 2* called for the establishment of a federal advisory committee within the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA).³

Pursuant to the Executive Memorandum, the Secretary of Commerce established the Spectrum Management Advisory Committee under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. 2, consistent with the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Act, 47 U.S.C. 904(b). The Committee will report to the Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information. It will advise the Assistant Secretary on a broad range of issues regarding spectrum policy and on needed reforms to domestic spectrum policies and management to enable timely implementation of evolving spectrum-dependent technologies and services to benefit the public. The Committee will function solely as an advisory body in compliance with the FACA. The Committee's Charter appears on NTIA's Web site at <http://www.ntia.doc.gov>.

The criteria for selecting members contained in the October 28, 2005 notice shall continue to apply. The Secretary of Commerce intends to appoint representatives from a balanced cross-

¹ *President's Memorandum on Improving Spectrum Management for the 21st Century*, 49 Weekly Comp. Pres. Doc. 2875 (Nov. 29, 2004) (Executive Memorandum).

² See Department of Commerce, *Spectrum Policy for the 21st Century-The President's Spectrum Policy Initiative: Report 1, Recommendations of the Federal Government Spectrum Task Force* (June 2004); Department of Commerce, *Spectrum Policy for the 21st Century-The President's Spectrum Policy Initiative: Report 2, Recommendations from State and Local Governments and Private Sector Responders* (June 2004) (Report 2), available at http://www.ntia.doc.gov/reports/specpolini/pressspecpolini_report2_06242004.pdf.

³ "The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) should establish the Department of Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee, consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act [5 U.S.C. App.2] and the NTIA Organization Act [47 U.S.C. §904(b)]." *Report 2* at ii, 14-15.