

that the ARC provide an annual report to Congress that includes an assessment of Amtrak's progress on the resolution of productivity issues; and that, after two years, the ARC has the authority to determine whether Amtrak can meet certain financial goals specified under the ARAA and, if not, to notify the President and the Congress.

The ARAA provides that the ARC consist of eleven members, including the Secretary of Transportation and ten others nominated by the President and Congressional leaders. Members serve a five-year term.

Issued in Washington, DC, May 4, 2000.

Thomas A. Till,
Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Format for Petition Requesting Relief Under U.S. Countervailing Duty Law

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the continuing information collections, 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 July 10, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Email Lengelme@doc.gov, Department of Commerce, Room 5033, 14 & Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230. Phone number: (202)482-3272.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to: Norbert Gannon, Office of Policy, Import Administration, Room 3716, 14 & Constitution Ave, NW, Washington DC 20230; phone (202) 482-3605 and fax: (202) 482-2308.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Abstract:* The International Trade Administration, Import Administration, AD/CVD Enforcement, implements the U.S. anti-dumping and countervailing duty law. Import Administration investigates allegations of unfair trade practices by

foreign governments and producers and, in conjunction with the U.S. International Trade Commission, can impose duties on the product in question to offset the unfair practices. Form ITA 366-P—Format for Petition Requesting Relief Under the U.S. Countervailing Duty Law—is designed for U.S. companies or industries that are unfamiliar with the countervailing duty law and the petition process. The Form is designed for potential petitioners that believe a foreign competitor is being subsidized unfairly. Since a variety of detailed information is required under the law before initiation of a countervailing duty investigation, the Form is designed to extract such information in the least burdensome manner possible.

I. Method of Collection

Form ITA 366-P is sent by request to potential U.S. petitioners.

II. Data

OMB Number: 0625-0148.

Form Number: ITA-366P.

Type of Review: Regular Submission.

Affected Public: U.S. companies or industries that suspect the presence of unfair competition from subsidized foreign enterprises.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5.

Estimated Time per Response: 40 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 200.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: Assuming the number of petitioners remains the same, with a total of 40 hours per respondent, at an estimated cost of \$70 per hour, the total annual cost is \$14,000.

III. Requested for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 5, 2000.

Madeleine Clayton,
Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC)

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, US Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee will hold a plenary meeting from 9-4:30 on May 18, 2000. Lunch is not included. The ETTAC was created on May 31, 1994, to advise the U.S. government on policies and programs to expand U.S. exports of environmental products and services.

DATE AND PLACE: May 18, 2000. The meeting will take place in Room 6800 of the Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

The plenary meeting will welcome new members, include an ethics briefing, guest speaker on AID-Trade issues, and round table discussion on the international water sector with senior government officials.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Sage Chandler, Department of Commerce, Office of Environmental Technologies Exports. Phone: 202-482-1500.

Dated: May 1, 2000.

Sage Chandler,
Designated Federal Official, Office of Environmental Technologies Exports.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 042700B]

Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Receipt of an application for a scientific research/enhancement permit

(1250) and receipt of an application to modify a permit (1048).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following actions regarding permits for takes of endangered and threatened species for the purposes of scientific research and/or enhancement:

NMFS has received a permit application from the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission (CRITFC) at Portland, OR (1250); and NMFS has received an application for permit modifications from the Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA) in Santa Rosa, CA (1048).

DATES: Comments or requests for a public hearing on either the new application or modification request must be received at the appropriate address or fax number (see **ADDRESSES**) no later than 5:00 p.m. Pacific daylight time on June 12, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on either the new application or modification request should be sent to the appropriate office as indicated below. Comments may also be sent via fax to the number indicated for the request. Comments will not be accepted if submitted via e-mail or the internet. The applications and related documents are available for review in the indicated office, by appointment:

For permit 1250: Protected Resources Division, F/NWO3, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232-2737 (ph: 503-230-5400, fax: 503-230-5435).

For permit 1048: Protected Species Division, NMFS, 777 Sonoma Avenue, Room 325, Santa Rosa, CA 95404-6528 (ph: 707-575-6066, fax: 707-578-3435).

Documents may also be reviewed by appointment in the Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For permit 1048: Dan Logan, Protected Resources Division, Santa Rosa, CA (ph: 707-575-6053, fax: 707-578-3435, e-mail: Dan.Logan@noaa.gov).

For permit 1250: Herbert Pollard, Boise, ID (ph: 208-378-5614, fax: 208-378-5699, e-mail: Herbert.Pollard@noaa.gov)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

Issuance of permits and permit modifications, as required by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) (ESA), is based on a finding that such permits/modifications: (1) Are applied for in good faith; (2) would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species which are the

subject of the permits; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA. Authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits. Permits and modifications are issued in accordance with and are subject to the ESA and NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 222-226).

Those individuals requesting a hearing on an application listed in this notice should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on that application would be appropriate (see **ADDRESSES**). The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in the permit action summaries are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Species Covered in This Notice

The following species, evolutionarily significant units (ESU's), and runs are covered in this notice:

Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*): threatened Snake River (SnR) spring/summer, threatened SnR fall.

Coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*): threatened Central California Coast (CCC).

Sockeye salmon (*Oncorhynchus nerka*): endangered SnR.

Steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*): threatened CCC, threatened SnR.

To date, protective regulations for threatened SnR steelhead under section 4(d) of the ESA have not been promulgated by NMFS. Protective regulations are currently proposed for threatened CCC and SnR steelhead (64 FR 73479, December 30, 1999). This notice of receipt of applications requesting takes of these species is issued as a precaution in the event that NMFS issues final protective regulations. The initiation of a 30-day public comment period on the applications, including their proposed takes of CCC or SnR steelhead, does not presuppose the contents of the eventual final protective regulations.

New Application Received

CRITFC (1250) requests a 5-year permit that would authorize annual takes of adult and juvenile naturally produced and artificially propagated SnR spring/summer chinook salmon associated with a hatchery supplementation program at Johnson Creek (JoCr), a tributary of the South Fork Salmon River in Idaho. The primary goal of CRITFC's proposed hatchery supplementation program is to

forestall the extinction of the summer chinook salmon population in JoCr and to avoid further losses of the genetic variation that may be necessary to recover the stock. The objectives of CRITFC's program are to: (1) Establish an annual supply of chinook salmon broodstock capable of meeting annual supplementation production criteria, (2) maintain and restore natural spawning populations of chinook salmon in JoCr, (3) increase the species' chances for long-term survival by supplementing the natural production of chinook salmon in JoCr with hatchery-produced fish, (4) increase nutrient enrichment in JoCr, and (5) ultimately reestablish sport and tribal fisheries for chinook salmon in the Salmon River Basin. ESA-listed adult chinook salmon that return to the watershed each year are proposed to be captured at the JoCr weir, anesthetized, marked with external identifiers, and maintained in holding ponds for up to 24 hours. CRITFC proposes to retain a percentage of the ESA-listed adult chinook salmon that return to the weir each year for hatchery broodstock and to release all of the ESA-listed adult chinook salmon not retained for broodstock above the weir to spawn naturally. ESA-listed adult chinook salmon retained for broodstock are proposed to be transferred to adult holding ponds at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's McCall Fish Hatchery or adjacent to the JoCr weir, inoculated for diseases, and spawned. The resulting progeny are proposed to be reared in the hatchery, tagged and/or marked with identifiers (coded wires, visual implant elastomer tags, passive integrated transponders), and released as smolts in the JoCr watershed where they will be allowed to acclimate prior to their volitional emigration to the ocean. Annual incidental takes of SnR sockeye salmon, SnR fall chinook salmon, and SnR steelhead associated with annual releases of juvenile fish from the program are also requested.

Modification Request Received

SCWA requests a modification to permit 1048 for takes of adult and juvenile CCC steelhead associated with population studies, carcass counts, redd surveys, genetic analyses, and habitat quality evaluation. SCWA proposed to develop and implement a monitoring program to identify long-term population trends and stock size estimates that can be used to assist in the restoration of salmonid populations in the Russian River basin. Presently, permit 1048 authorizes intentional takes of adult and juvenile CCC coho salmon for projects within the Russian River basin. This requested modification

would add intentional takes of adult and juvenile CCC steelhead to the SCWA permit.

Dated: May 3, 2000.

Wanda L. Cain,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the United Arab Emirates

May 5, 2000.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 12, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roy Unger, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The current limits for certain categories are being adjusted, variously, for swing, carryover, carryforward, carryforward used and the recrediting of unused carryforward.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 64 FR 71982, published on December 22, 1999). Also

see 64 FR 70225, published on December 16, 1999.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

May 5, 2000.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on December 10, 1999, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in the United Arab Emirates and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 2000 and extends through December 31, 2000.

Effective on May 12, 2000, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
219	1,659,976 square meters.
226/313	2,838,600 square meters.
317	45,792,385 square meters.
334/634	338,298 dozen.
335/635/835	209,221 dozen.
336/636	280,808 dozen.
338/339	881,953 dozen of which not more than 535,311 dozen shall be in Categories 338-S/339-S ² .
340/640	469,758 dozen.
341/641	432,944 dozen.
342/642	360,854 dozen.
347/348	596,492 dozen of which not more than 313,583 dozen shall be in Categories 347-T/348-T ³ .
351/651	233,660 dozen.
352	346,837 dozen.
369-O ⁴	827,787 kilograms.
369-S ⁵	124,337 kilograms.
647/648	418,424 dozen.
847	287,181 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1999.

² Category 338-S: only HTS numbers 6103.22.0050, 6105.10.0010, 6105.10.0030, 6105.90.8010, 6109.10.0027, 6110.20.1025, 6110.20.2040, 6110.20.2065, 6110.90.9068, 6112.11.0030 and 6114.20.0005; Category 339-S: only HTS numbers 6104.22.0060, 6104.29.2049, 6106.10.0010, 6106.10.0030, 6106.90.2510, 6106.90.3010, 6109.10.0070, 6110.20.1030, 6110.20.2045, 6110.20.2075, 6110.90.9070, 6112.11.0040, 6114.20.0010 and 6117.90.9020.

³ Category 347-T: only HTS numbers 6103.19.2015, 6103.19.9020, 6103.22.0030, 6103.42.1020, 6103.42.1040, 6103.49.8010, 6112.11.0050, 6113.00.9038, 6203.19.1020, 6203.19.9020, 6203.22.3020, 6203.42.4005, 6203.42.4010, 6203.42.4015, 6203.42.4025, 6203.42.4035, 6203.42.4045, 6203.49.8020, 6210.40.9033, 6211.20.1520, 6211.20.3810 and 6211.32.0040; Category 348-T: only HTS numbers 6104.12.0030, 6104.19.8030, 6104.22.0040, 6104.29.2034, 6104.62.2006, 6104.62.2011, 6104.62.2026, 6104.62.2028, 6104.69.8022, 6112.11.0060, 6113.00.9042, 6117.90.9060, 6204.12.0030, 6204.19.8030, 6204.22.3040, 6204.29.4034, 6204.62.3000, 6204.62.4005, 6204.62.4010, 6204.62.4020, 6204.62.4030, 6204.62.4040, 6204.62.4050, 6204.69.6010, 6204.69.9010, 6210.50.9060, 6211.20.1550, 6211.20.6810, 6211.42.0030 and 6217.90.9050.

⁴ Category 369-O: all HTS numbers except 6307.10.2005 (Category 369-S); 5601.10.1000, 5601.21.0090, 5701.90.1020, 5701.90.2020, 5702.10.9020, 5702.39.2010, 5702.49.1020, 5702.49.1080, 5702.59.1000, 5702.99.1010, 5702.99.1090, 5705.00.2020 and 6406.10.7700 (Category 369pt.).

⁵ Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Proposed Information Collection; Commander, Navy Recruiting Command

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Navy Recruiting Command announces a proposed extension of an approved public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.