

copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Amy Gautam, NMFS ST1, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The data will be collected to estimate full- and part-time employment in commercial fisheries. This information is needed to identify how many individuals are affected by proposed commercial fishing regulations. Respondents will be commercial fishing vessel owners and captains.

II. Method of Collection

Respondents will complete a paper questionnaire to be mailed back to the NMFS or contractor conducting the survey on NMFS' behalf.

III. Data

OMB Number: None.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 833.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: 0.

IV. Request 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: April 24, 2003.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

[FR Doc. 03-10798 Filed 4-30-03; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3510-22-S

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Federal Consistency Appeal by Luz Torres DeRosa, Pedro Vidal, Frontera Colley and Fernando E. Otero Rodriguez From Objections by the Puerto Rico Planning Board

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

ACTION: Notice of appeals and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Luz Torres DeRosa, Pedro Vidal, Frontera Colley and Fernando E. Otero Rodriguez (Appellants), filed with the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) four separate notices of appeal pursuant to section 307(c)(3)(A) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (CZMA), as amended, 16 U.S.C. 1451 *et seq.*, and the Department of Commerce's implementing regulations, 15 CFR part 930, subpart H. The appeals are taken from objections by the Puerto Rico Planning Board (PRPB) to the Appellants' consistency certifications for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' permits for the reconstruction of stilt houses. The proposed projects are located within the maritime-terrestrial zone, territorial waters and submerged lands.

DATES: Public comments on the appeals are due within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to Mary Elliott Rolle, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Ocean Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1305 East-West Highway, Room 6111, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Public filings made by the parties to the appeals may be available at the NOAA Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Ocean Services and the Puerto Rico Planning Board, Minillas Government Center, North Building, De Diego Ave. Stop 22, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00940-1119.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Elliott Rolle, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Ocean Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1305 East-West Highway, Room 6111, Silver Spring, MD 20910 or at 301-713-2967, extension 216.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Notice of Appeals

Luz Torres DeRosa, Pedro Vidal, Frontera Colley and Fernando E. Otero Rodriguez (Appellants), filed with the

Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) four separate notices of appeal pursuant to section 307(c)(3)(A) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (CZMA), as amended, 16 U.S.C. 1451 *et seq.*, and the Department of Commerce's implementing regulations, 15 CFR part 930, subpart H. The regulations have been revised as of January 8, 2000. These matters fall under the old regulations in place at the time of the filings of these appeals. The appeals are taken from objections by the Puerto Rico Planning Board (PRPB) to the Appellants' consistency certifications for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' permits for the reconstruction of stilt houses. The proposed projects are located within the maritime-terrestrial zone, territorial waters and submerged lands.

The CZMA provides that a timely objection by a state precludes any federal agency from issuing licenses or permits for an activity unless the Secretary finds that the activity is either "consistent with the objectives" of the CZMA (Ground I) or "necessary in the interest of national security" (Ground II). Section 307(c)(3)(A). To make such a determination, the Secretary must find that the proposed project satisfies the requirements of 15 CFR 930.121 or 930.122.

The Appellants request that the Secretary override the Board's consistency objections based on Ground I. To make the determination that a proposed activity is "consistent with the objectives" of the CZMA, the Secretary must find that: (1) The proposed activity furthers one or more of the competing national objectives or purposes contained in section 302 or 303 of the CZMA; (2) the national interest furthered by the proposed activity outweighs the activity's adverse coastal effects, when those effects are considered separately or cumulatively; (3) the activity will not violate any requirements of the Clean Air Act, as amended, or the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended; and (4) no reasonable alternative is available that would permit the proposed activity to be conducted in a manner consistent with the enforceable policies of Puerto Rico's coastal zone management program. See 15 CFR 930.121.

II. Public Comments

Public comments are invited on the findings that the Secretary must make as set forth in the regulations at 15 CFR 930.121. Comments are due within 30 days of the publication of this notice and should be sent to Mary Elliott Rolle, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Ocean

Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1305 East-West Highway, Room 6111, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Copies of comments will also be forwarded to the Appellant and the State.

III. Appeal Documents

All nonconfidential documents submitted in this appeal are available for public inspection during business hours at the NOAA Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Ocean Services and the Puerto Rico Planning Board.

(Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog No. 11.419 Coastal Zone Management Program Assistance.)

Dated: April 23, 2003.

James R. Walpole,

General Counsel.

[FR Doc. 03-10754 Filed 4-30-03; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3510-08-M

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 041603C]

Vessel Monitoring Systems; Additional Approved Mobile Transmitting Unit

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

ACTION: Notice of vessel monitoring systems; approval.

SUMMARY: This document provides notice of additional vessel monitoring systems (VMS) approved by NOAA for use by pelagic longline vessels in the Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Fisheries and sets forth relevant features of the VMS. This notification is being issued in addition to the approval notice published on March 11, 2003, and provides updated address information for one of the VMS providers.

ADDRESSES: To obtain copies of the list of NOAA approved VMS mobile transmitting units and NOAA approved VMS communications service providers, or information regarding the status of VMSs being evaluated by NOAA for approval, write to NMFS Office for Law Enforcement (OLE), 8484 Georgia Avenue, Suite 415, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

To submit a completed and signed checklist, mail or fax it to NOAA Enforcement, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, Koger Building, St.

Petersburg, FL 33702, fax 727-570-5575.

For more addresses regarding approved VMS, see the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section, under the heading VMS Provider Addresses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For current listing information Mark Oswell, Outreach Specialist, phone 301-427-2300, fax 301-427-2055. For questions regarding VMS installation, activation checklists, and status of evaluations, contact Jonathan Pinkerton, National VMS Program Manager, phone 301-427-2300, fax 301-427-2055. For questions regarding the checklist, contact Fred Kyle, Special Agent, NMFS Office for Law Enforcement, Southeast Division, phone 727-570-5344.

The public may acquire this notice, installation checklist, and relevant updates via the "fax-back" service, or at the OLE website <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/ole/vms.html>. Telephone requests can be made by calling 301-427-2300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. The VMS Requirement

Information regarding the VMS requirement was described in the VMS approval notice published March 11, 2003 (68 FR 11534) and is not repeated here. This approval notice is being issued in addition to that notice.

II. VMS Mobile Transceiver Unit

The additional Inmarsat-C satellite communications VMS transmitting unit that meets the minimum technical requirements for the HMS Fisheries is the Thrane & Thrane Fishery "Mini-C" (part number TT-3026-NMFS). The address for the Thrane & Thrane distributor (LandSea Systems) dealer contact is provided under the heading VMS Provider Addresses.

Pursuant to 50 CFR 635.69(d), NMFS will provide an installation and activation checklist for the below listed units which the vessel owner must follow. The vessel owner must sign a statement on the checklist certifying compliance with the installation procedures and return the checklist to NMFS. Installation can be performed by experienced crew or by an electronics specialist, and the installation cost is paid by the owner.

The owner may confirm that automated position reports are being received by calling the NMFS Office for Law Enforcement in St. Petersburg, FL at 727-570-5344.

Thrane & Thrane TT-3026-NMFS features: The transceiver consists of an integrated GPS/Inmarsat-C unit mounted atop the vessel. The unit is

factory pre-configured for NMFS VMS operations (non-Global Maritime Distress & Safety System (non-GMDSS)). Satellite commissioning services are provided by LandSea Systems personnel.

Automatic GPS position reporting starts after transceiver installation and power activation onboard the vessel. The unit is an integrated transceiver/antenna/GPS design using a floating 10 to 32 VDC power supply. The unit is configured for automatic reduced position transmissions when the vessel is stationary (i.e., in port). It allows for port stays without power drain or power shut down. The unit restarts normal position transmission automatically when the vessel goes to sea.

A configuration option is available to automatically send position reports to a private address, such as a fleet management company. Another available option is the ability to send and receive private e-mail and other messages with the purchase and installation of an input device such as a laptop or personal computer.

A vessel owner wishing to purchase this system may contact the entity identified under the heading VMS Provider Addresses for Thrane & Thrane TT-3026-NMFS. The owner should identify himself or herself as a vessel owner in the "United States HMS Fishery." The Thrane & Thrane unitized transceiver the vessel owner purchases will be configured for the HMS Fisheries.

To use the Mini-C, the vessel owner will need to establish an Inmarsat-C system use contract with an approved Inmarsat-C communications service provider. The owner will be required to complete the Inmarsat-C "Registration for Service Activation for Maritime Mobile Earth Station." The owner should consult with LandSea Systems when completing this form.

LandSea Systems personnel will perform the following before shipment: (a) configure the TT-3026-NMFS according to NMFS OLE specifications for the HMS Fisheries; (b) download the predetermined NMFS position reporting and broadcast command identification numbers into the unit; (c) test the unit to ensure operation when installation has been completed on the vessel; and (d) forward the Inmarsat service provider and TT-3026-NMFS identifying information to the NOAA Office for Law Enforcement.

III. Communications Service Providers

This information was provided in an earlier notice published March 11, 2003 (68 FR 11534) and is not repeated here. As a convenience to the vessel owner