

9. Refusals to Deal

Refuse to quote prices for export products, or to market or sell export products, to or for any customer in the export processed tomato market, or any countries or geographical areas in the export markets;

10. Market and Customer Allocation

Allocate geographic areas or countries in the export markets and/or customers in the export markets among members of the California Tomato Export Group;

11. Exclusive and Nonexclusive Export Intermediaries

Enter into exclusive and nonexclusive agreements appointing one or more export intermediaries for the sale of export products with price, quantity, territorial and/or customer restrictions. "Export Intermediary" means a person who acts as a distributor, sales representative, sales or marketing agent, broker, or who performs similar functions including providing or arranging for the provision of export trade facilitation services;

12. Meetings

Meet with members of the Certificate and manager of the Certificate present;

13. Non-Member Activities

a. Enter into agreements with non-members, whether or not exclusive, to provide export trade facilitation services;

b. Purchase tomatoes from non-members to fulfill specific export sales obligations, provided that CTEG and/or its members shall make such purchases only on a transaction-by-transaction basis and when the members are unable to supply, in a timely manner, the requisite products at a price competitive under the circumstances. In no event shall a non-member be included in any deliberations concerning any export activities and operations; and

14. Government Liaison

Advise and cooperate with the United States and foreign governments in:

a. Establishing procedures regulating the export of processed tomato products, and

b. Fulfilling the phytosanitary and/or funding requirements imposed by foreign governments for export of the processed tomato products.

CTEG may exchange the following information with and among the Members as necessary to carry out export trade activities and methods of operation:

1. Information about export sales and marketing efforts; selling strategies,

contract and spot pricing in the export markets;

2. Information regarding projected demand in the export markets;

3. Information about the customary terms of sales in export markets;

4. Information about export prices and availability of competitor's processed tomato products for sale in the export markets;

5. Specifications for processed tomato products by customers in the export markets;

6. Information about terms and conditions of contracts for sale in the export markets to be considered and/or bid on by CTEG and its members;

7. Information about the price, quality, source, and delivery dates of processed tomato products available for export by CTEG members;

8. Information about joint bidding and/or selling arrangements for export markets;

9. Information regarding terms, conditions, and specifications of particular export contracts for sale or to be considered and/or bid on by the CTEG;

10. Information about expenses specific to exporting to and within the export markets, sales and distribution networks established by CTEG or its members in export markets;

11. Information about export customer credit terms and credit history;

12. Information about United States and foreign legislation and regulations, including federal marketing order programs, affecting sales to the export markets;

13. Information about joint bidding or selling arrangements for the export markets and allocations of sales resulting from such arrangements among the members;

14. Information about expenses specific to exporting to and within the export markets, including without limitation, transportation, trans-or intermodal shipments, insurance, inland freight to port, port storage, commissions, export sales, documentation; financing, customs, duties, and taxes;

15. Information about CTEG's or its members' export operations, including without limitation, sales and distribution networks established by CTEG or its members in the export markets, and prior export sales by members (including export price information);

16. Information regarding the forecasted quantity of processed tomatoes secured through contracts by each member for upcoming seasons;

17. Information regarding the potential available supply of processed

tomato products available for export and not committed to domestic markets in upcoming seasons; and

18. Information about global tomato crop supply, including planting intentions, growing conditions, weather, disease, transportation, consumer trends, health news, regulatory impacts and information that impacts on the availability, conditions and costs to foreign buyers.

Dated: December 1, 2005.

Jeffrey Anspacher,

Director, Export Trading Company Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Vessel Monitoring System for Atlantic Highly Migratory Species

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

ACTION: Notice.

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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before February 6, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Chris Rilling, Highly Migratory Species Management Division (F/SF1), Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, phone (301) 713-2347 or Chris.Rilling@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Vessels fishing for Atlantic highly migratory species (HMS) with pelagic longline, bottom longline, or gillnet gear on board are required to install and

operate a vessel monitoring system (VMS). VMS is required in these fisheries to aid in enforcement and protection of closed areas. These areas were closed to reduce bycatch in HMS fisheries, to aid in rebuilding overfished stocks, and to protect protected species such as right whales. The automatic position reports are required to be submitted on an hourly basis whenever the vessel is at sea. The placement of VMS units on fishing vessels allows the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to determine vessel locations and complements the Agency's efforts to monitor and enforce compliance with applicable regulations, including time/area closures. Vessel operators who are purchasing and installing a VMS unit for the first time are required to follow an equipment installation checklist and submit it to NMFS. The checklist provides information on the hardware and communications service selected by each vessel. NMFS uses the returned checklists to ensure that position reports are received and to aid NMFS in troubleshooting problems.

The regulations implementing the VMS requirements are at 50 CFR 635.69(a). Further information can be found in the final rules 68 FR 45619, 68 FR 74746, 69 FR 19979 and 69 FR 51010.

II. Method of Collection

Checklists will be submitted in paper form for vessels installing VMS for the first time. Position reports will be automatically sent electronically by the vessel monitoring system units.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0372.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business and other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 329.

Estimated Time Per Response: 4 hours for VMS installation; 2 hours for annual maintenance of the equipment; 0.033 seconds per automated position report from the automated equipment, and 5 minutes to complete and return a one-time installation checklist.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 15,667.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$775,251. This is a maximum figure based upon the total number of vessels in the fleet (329), VMS maintenance (\$500/year), and position reports (\$1.39/day).

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: November 30, 2005.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Large Pelagic Fishing Survey

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Dr. Ronald J. Salz, (301) 713-2328 or ron.salz@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Large Pelagic Fishing Survey consists of dockside and telephone surveys of recreational anglers for large pelagic fish (tunas, sharks, and billfish) in the Atlantic Ocean. The survey provides National Marine Fisheries Service with information to monitor catch of bluefin tuna, marlin and other Federally-managed species. The catch monitoring in these fisheries and collection of catch and effort statistics for all pelagic fish is required under the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act and the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The information collected is essential for the U.S. to meet its reporting obligations to the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tuna.

II. Method of Collection

Dockside and telephone interviews are used. In lieu of telephone interviews, respondents may also provide information via faxed logsheets or online via a Web tool.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0380.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 17,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 8 minutes for a telephone interview; 5 minutes for a dockside interview; 1.5 minutes to respond to a follow-up validation call for dockside interviews; 1 minute for a biological sampling of catch; and 28 minutes for a headboat effort and catch survey; 6 minutes for North Carolina winter bluefin tuna dockside interview.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,371.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0.

IV. Request for Comments

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