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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XG81

Marine Mammals; File No. 1121-1900

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 NOAA Fisheries Office of Science and Technology (Principal Investigator: Dr. Brandon Southall), Silver Spring, MD, has been issued an amendment to Permit No. 1121-1900 to conduct research on marine mammals.

ADDRESSES: The permit amendment and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

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; <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/permits/review.htm>; and

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Tammy Adams or Jolie Harrison,
(301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 2, 2008, notice was published in the *Federal Register* (73 FR 17957) that a request for an amendment to Scientific Research Permit No. 1121-1900 to take beaked whales (*Ziphius cavirostris* and *Mesoplodon* spp.) and other odontocete species had been submitted by the above-named institution (permit holder). The requested permit amendment has been issued 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 parts 222-226).

The permit amendment extended the duration of the permit to allow conduct of three additional annual field seasons, and modified the protocols for playback experiments as requested by the permit holder. The amended permit authorizes research involving temporary attachment of scientific instruments (digital archival recording tags), photo-identification, and exposure to controlled levels of natural and anthropogenic underwater sounds, including signals simulating mid-frequency sonar. Sloughed skin samples collected from the detached instrument would be imported into the U.S. for analysis. The permit is valid through January 1, 2011.

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, 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: August 6, 2008.

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

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

(CPSA Docket No. 08-COO 16)

A & R Knitwear, Inc., Provisional Acceptance of a Settlement Agreement and Order

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: It is the policy of the Commission to publish settlements which it provisionally accepts under the Consumer Product Safety Act in the

Federal Register in accordance with the terms of 16 CFR 1118.20(e). Published below is a provisionally accepted Settlement Agreement with A & R Knitwear, Inc., containing a civil penalty of \$35,000.00.

DATES: Any interested person may ask the Commission not to accept this agreement or otherwise comment on its contents by filing a written request with the Office of the Secretary by August 27, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to comment on this Settlement Agreement should send written comments to the Comment 08-C0016, Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Room 502, Bethesda, Maryland 20814-4408.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dennis C. Kacoyanis, Trial Attorney, Legal Division, Office of Compliance and Field Operations, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland 20814-4408; telephone (301) 504-7587.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The text of the Agreement and Order appears below.

August 5, 2008.

Todd A. Stevenson,
Secretary.

United States of America

Consumer Product Safety Commission

In the Matter of A & R Knitwear, Inc., CPSC Docket No. 08-C0016

Settlement Agreement

1. In accordance with 16 CFR 1118.20, A & R Knitwear, Inc. ("A & R") and the staff ("Staff") of the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission ("Commission") enter into this Settlement Agreement ("Agreement"). The Agreement and the incorporated attached Order ("Order") settle the Staff's allegations set forth below.

Parties

2. The Commission is an independent federal regulatory agency established pursuant to, and responsible for the enforcement of, the Consumer Product Safety Act, 15 U.S.C. 2051-2084 ("CPSA").

3. A & R is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of New York, with its principal offices located in New York, NY. At all times relevant hereto, A & R imported and sold apparel.

Staff Allegations

4. In 2007, A & R imported and sold to a nationwide retailer at least 5,214 Personal Identity V-neck sweaters with hood and neck drawstrings ("Drawstring Sweaters").

5. The nationwide retailer sold the Drawstring Sweaters to consumers.

6. The Drawstring Sweaters are "consumer product[s]," and, at all times relevant hereto, A & R was a "manufacturer" of those