

33400 MHz are available for airborne radionavigation devices.

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(ee) The frequency 978 MHz is authorized for Universal Access Transceiver data transmission.

8. Section 87.263 is amended by revising introductory paragraphs (d) and (e) and adding paragraph (g) to read as follows:

**§ 87.263 Frequencies.**

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(d) *International HF Service.* High frequencies for enroute stations serving international flight operations on the Major World Air Route Areas (MWARAs), as defined in the international Radio Regulations and the ICAO Assignment Plan, may be authorized in accordance with Appendix S27 to the Radio Regulations.

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(e) *Long distance operational control.* Long distance operational control frequencies provide communications between aeronautical enroute stations and aircraft stations anywhere in the world for control of the regularity and efficiency of flight and safety of aircraft. World-wide frequencies are not assigned by administrations for MWARA and Regional and Domestic Air Route Area (RDARA). Long distance operational control frequencies will be authorized in accordance with Appendix S27 of the international Radio Regulations.

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(g) The frequency 978 MHz is authorized for Universal Access Transceiver data transmission.

9. Section 87.345 is amended by adding paragraph (f) to read as follows:

**§ 87.345 Scope of service.**

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(f) Transmissions by aeronautical utility mobile stations for Universal Access Transceiver service are authorized.

10. Section 87.349 is amended by adding paragraph (e) to read as follows:

**§ 87.349 Frequencies.**

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(e) The frequency 978.0 MHz is authorized for Universal Access Transceiver data transmission.

11. Section 87.375 is amended by adding paragraph (e) to read as follows:

**§ 87.375 Frequencies.**

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(e) The frequency 978.0 MHz is authorized for Universal Access Transceiver data transmission.

12. Section 87.417 is amended by adding paragraph (c) to read as follows:

**§ 87.417 Scope of service.**

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(c) The frequency 978.0 MHz is authorized for Universal Access Transceiver data transmission.

13. Section 87.421 is amended by revising paragraph (c) to read as follows:

**§ 87.421 Frequencies.**

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(c) Frequencies in the bands 118.000–121.400 MHz, 121.600–121.925 MHz, 123.600–128.800 MHz, and 132.025–135.975 MHz are available to control towers and RCOs for communications with ground vehicles and aircraft on the ground. The antenna heights shall be restricted to the minimum necessary to achieve the required coverage. Channel spacing is 25 kHz.

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14. Section 87.475 is amended by adding paragraphs (b)(9) through (b)(15) and revising paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) to read as follows:

**§ 87.475 Frequencies.**

(b) \* \* \*

(9) 2700–2900 MHz: Non-Government land-based radars may be licensed. U.S. Government coordination is required. Applicants must demonstrate a need for the service which the Government is not prepared to render.

(10) 5000–5250 MHz: This band is to be used for the operation of the international standard system (microwave landing system).

(11) 9000–9200 MHz: This band is available to land-based radars. Stations operating in this band may receive interference from stations operating in the radiolocation service.

(12) 14,000–14,400 MHz: This band is available for use in the aeronautical radionavigation service.

(13) 15,400–15,700 MHz: This band is available for use of land stations associated with airborne electronic aids to air navigation.

(14) 24,250–25,250, 31.800–33.400 MHz: In these bands, land-based radionavigation aids are permitted where they operate with airborne radionavigation devices.

(15) 978.0 MHz is authorized for Universal Access Transceiver service.

(c) *Frequencies available for radionavigation land test stations.* (1) The frequencies set forth in § 87.187(c), (e) through (j), (r), (t), and (ee) and § 87.475(b)(6) through (10) and (12) may be assigned to radionavigation land test stations for the testing of aircraft transmitting equipment that normally operates on these frequencies and for the testing of land-based receiving equipment that operates with airborne radionavigation equipment.

(2) The frequencies available for assignment to radionavigation land test stations for the testing of airborne receiving equipment are 108.000 and 108.050 MHz for VHF omni-range; 108.100 and 108.150 MHz for localizer; 334.550 and 334.700 MHz for glide slope; 978 and 979 MHz (X channel)/1104 MHz (Y channel) for DME; 978 MHz for Universal Access Transceiver; 1030 MHz for air traffic control radar beacon transponders; and 5031.0 MHz for microwave landing systems.

Additionally, the frequencies in paragraph (b) of this section may be assigned to radionavigation land test stations after coordination with the FAA. The following conditions apply:

(i) The maximum power authorized on the frequencies 108.150 and 334.550 MHz is 1 milliwatt. The maximum power authorized on all other frequencies is one watt.

(ii) The pulse repetition rate (PRR) of the 1030 MHz ATC radar beacon test set will be 235 pulses per second (pps) ±5pps.

(iii) The assignment of 108.000 MHz is subject to the condition that no interference will be caused to the reception of FM broadcasting stations and stations using the frequency are not protected against interference from FM broadcasting stations.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**50 CFR Parts 300 and 635**

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**International Fisheries; Atlantic Highly Migratory Species**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public hearings.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS will hold six public hearings to receive public comment regarding proposed regulations to establish the Highly Migratory Species International Trade Permit and implement reporting requirements associated with the international trade of bluefin tuna, bigeye tuna, southern bluefin tuna, and swordfish. The proposed rule for this action was published in the **Federal Register** on March 29, 2004.

**DATES:** The public hearings will be held in April and May 2004. For specific dates and times, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. Comments on the proposed rule must be received no later than 5 p.m. on May 10, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** The public hearings will be held in Miami, FL; New York City, NY; Honolulu, HI; Piti, Guam; and Long Beach, CA. For specific locations, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. Written comments should be mailed to Dianne Stephan, Highly Migratory Species Management Division, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA, 01930. Comments may be submitted by e-mail. The mailbox address for providing e-mail comments is [NeroHMSTrade@noaa.gov](mailto:NeroHMSTrade@noaa.gov). Include in the subject line of the e-mail comment the following document identifier: Nero HMS Trade Rule.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dianne Stephan (Atlantic coast or other), 978-281-9397; Raymond Clarke (Western Pacific), 808-973-2935; David Hamm (Guam) 808-983-5330, Lori Robinson (Gulf coast), 228-769-8964; or Patricia J. Donley (West coast), 562-980-4033.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The proposed regulations would implement the recommendations of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) to track the international trade of swordfish and bigeye tuna, would

implement the recommendation of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) to track the international trade of bigeye tuna, would require dealers to comply with the southern bluefin tuna statistical document program adopted by the Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna, and would expand the current bluefin tuna statistical document program to include the re-export of bluefin tuna. The Atlantic Tuna Conventions Act of 1975 (16 U.S.C. 971 *et seq.*) authorizes the promulgation of regulations as may be necessary and appropriate to implement ICCAT recommendations. The Tuna Conventions Act of 1950 (16 U.S.C. 951 *et seq.*) authorizes rulemaking to carry out IATTC recommendations. A complete description of the proposed regulatory measures, as well as the purpose and need for the proposed actions, is contained in the proposed rule (March 29, 2004, 69 FR 16211) and is not repeated here.

#### **Schedule of Public Hearings**

The dates, times, and locations of the meetings are scheduled as follows:

1. *Wednesday, April 21, 2004 - Miami, FL, 1-3 p.m.*

Embassy Suites Hotel, 3974 NW South River Drive, Miami, FL

2. *Thursday, April 22, 2004 - New York City, NY, 9:30-11:30 a.m.*

Holiday Inn Wall Street, 15 Gold Street, New York City, NY

3. *Thursday, April 29, 2004 - Honolulu, HI, 1-3 p.m.*

NOAA Fisheries Pacific Islands Regional Office, 1601 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 1110, Honolulu, HI

4. *Tuesday, May 4, 2004 - Piti, Guam, 1-3 p.m.*

Port Authority of Guam, 1026 Cabras Highway, Piti, Guam

5. *Thursday, May 6, 2004 - Long Beach, CA, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.*

NOAA Fisheries, Southwest Regional Office, Glen M. Anderson Federal Building, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA

#### **Special Accommodations**

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Dianne Stephan, (978) 281-9397, at least 7 days prior to the hearing in question.

Dated: April 6, 2004.

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