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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Tammy Adams or Amy Sloan, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit and permit amendment are requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

File No. 1065-1749: The applicant requests a 5-year permit to develop a heart rate logger and surgical procedures for implanting instruments in pinnipeds in general and in Steller sea lions (*Eumetopias jubatus*) in particular. The applicant proposes to use California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*), Northern elephant seals (*Mirounga angustirostris*), and Northern fur seals (*Callorhinus ursinus*) from animals in rehabilitation at The Marine Mammal Center (TMMC) in Sausalito, California, for development and monitoring trials. The purpose of the implantable heart rate logger is to measure heart rate and body temperature over periods of months to years, allowing estimation of field metabolic rates which will enable greatly improved assessment of food requirements of free-ranging individuals over more representative samples of their life histories than has been possible thus far. While actual numbers will vary depending on availability, the total number of marine mammals proposed for the trials is up to six individuals of each species over five years.

Permit No. 1034-1685: Permit No. 1034-1685, issued on March 17, 2003 (68 FR 20117) and which expires on April 30, 2008, currently authorizes the holder to surgically implant transmitters in 30 rehabilitated California sea lions at TMMC to determine long-term post-release survival rates; attach external tags for short-term monitoring; blood sample to assess stress and health; and assess body condition through blubber biopsies, bioelectrical impedance analysis, deuterium dilution determinations, and blubber ultrasound measurements. Researchers may perform blood and blubber sampling, bioelectrical impedance analyses, deuterium dilutions, and blubber

ultrasound measurements on an additional 90 control animals. The permit holder requests an amendment to study the adrenal response of California sea lions. A total of up to six sea lions undergoing rehabilitation at TMMC would be injected intramuscularly with adrenocorticotrophic hormone and have pre-injection and post-injection blood samples taken while under anesthesia for analysis of glucocorticoids. Feces would also be collected for analysis.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activities proposed are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of the applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: June 8, 2004.

Stephen L. Leathery,
Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education
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, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Guatemala

June 14, 2004.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection adjusting limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 18, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, 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 board of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection website at <http://www.cbp.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota reopenings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

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 for swing and carryover.

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 69 FR 4926, published on February 2, 2004). Also see 68 FR 65231 published on November 19, 2003.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

June 14, 2004.

Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,
Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 11, 2003, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Guatemala and exported during the period which began on January 1, 2004 and extends through December 31, 2004.

Effective on June 18, 2004, you are directed to adjust the current limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

| Category | Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹ |
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| 340/640 | 2,650,706 dozen. |
| 347/348 | 3,336,111 dozen. |
| 351/651 | 592,538 dozen. |
| 443 | 84,770 numbers. |
| 448 | 55,099 dozen. |

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 2003.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception of 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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