

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[RTID 0648–XD643]

**Marine Mammals and Endangered Species**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; issuance of permits and permit amendments.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that permits and permit amendments have been issued to the following entities under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) and the Endangered Species Act (ESA), as applicable.

**ADDRESSES:** The permits and related documents are available for review upon written request via email to [NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov](mailto:NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shasta McClenahan, Ph.D. (Permit No. 21636–01), Carrie Hubbard (Permit No. 27460), and Jennifer Skidmore (Permit No. 26667–01); at (301) 427–8401.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notices were published in the **Federal Register** on the dates listed below that requests for a permit or permit amendment, had been submitted by the below-named applicants. To locate the **Federal Register** notice that announced our receipt of the application and a complete description of the activities, go to <https://www.federalregister.gov> and search on the permit number provided in table 1 below.

TABLE 1—ISSUED PERMITS AND PERMIT AMENDMENTS

Permit No.	RTID	Applicant	Previous <b>Federal Register</b> notice	Issuance date
21636–01	0648–XG493	Joshua Schiffman, M.D., University of Utah, 2000 Circle of Hope Drive, Salt Lake City, UT 84112.	84 FR 4441, February 15, 2019.	December 19, 2023.
26667–02	0648–XD507	North Slope Borough Department of Wildlife Management, P.O. Box 69, Barrow, AK 99723 (Taqluk Hepa, Responsible Party).	88 FR 77083, November 8, 2023.	December 19, 2023.
27460 .....	0648–XD363	José Vázquez-Medina, Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley, 3040 Valley Life Sciences Bldg, No. 3140, Berkeley, CA 94720.	88 FR 64413, September 19, 2023.	December 14, 2023.

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

As required by the ESA, as applicable, issuance of these permit was based on a finding that such permits: (1) were applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

**Authority:** The requested permits have been issued under the MMPA 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 ESA of 1973, as amended (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), as applicable.

Dated: January 8, 2024.

**Julia M. Harrison,**

Chief, Permits and Conservation Division,  
Office of Protected Resources, National  
Marine Fisheries Service.

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**COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED****Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletions**

**AGENCY:** Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

**ACTION:** Proposed additions to and deletions from the Procurement List.

**SUMMARY:** The Committee is proposing to add service(s) to the Procurement List that will be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and deletes product(s) and service(s) previously furnished by such agencies.

**DATES:** *Comments must be received on or before:* February 11, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, 355 E Street SW, Suite 325, Washington, DC 20024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information or to submit comments contact: Michael R. Jurkowski, Telephone: (703) 785–6404 or email [CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov](mailto:CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 8503(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51–2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed actions.

**Additions**

If the Committee approves the proposed addition, the entities of the Federal Government identified in this notice will be required to procure the service(s) listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

In accordance with 41 CFR 51–5.3(b), the Committee intends to add this services requirement to the Procurement List as a mandatory purchase only for the contracting activity listed at the location shown, with the proposed qualified nonprofit agency as the authorized source of supply. Prior to adding the service to the Procurement List, the Committee will consider other pertinent information, including information from Government personnel and relevant comments from interested parties regarding the Committee's intent to geographically limit this services requirement.

The following service(s) are proposed for addition to the Procurement List for delivery by the nonprofit agencies listed:

**Service(s)**

**Service Type:** Custodial & Grounds Maintenance

**Mandatory for:** Defense Contract Management Agency, Hancock Field Air National Guard Base, Building 613, Syracuse, NY

**Designated Source of Supply:** Oswego Industries, Inc., Fulton, NY

**Contracting Activity:** DEFENSE CONTRACT

MANAGEMENT AGENCY (DCMA),  
DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT  
OFFICE

### Deletions

The following product(s) and service(s) are proposed for deletion from the Procurement List:

#### Product(s)

##### NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

7530-01-516-7577—Pad, Writing Paper, Glue Bound Top, Legal Rule, White, 8½" x 13¼"

7530-01-516-7572—Pad, Writing Paper, Glue Bound Top, Legal Rule, Canary, 5" x 8"

*Designated Source of Supply:* Blind Industries & Services of Maryland, Baltimore, MD

*Contracting Activity:* GSA/FAS ADMIN SVCS ACQUISITION BR(2, NEW YORK, NY

##### NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

3030-01-375-8087—Belt, Micro-V, V-ribbed, 4 Ribs, EPDM Rubber, 35.5" long  
3030-01-466-9476—Belt, V-shaped, Micro, EPDM Rubber, 8 Ribs, 98.07"

*Designated Source of Supply:* Northeastern Association of the Blind at Albany, Inc., Albany, NY

*Contracting Activity:* DLA LAND AND MARITIME, COLUMBUS, OH

##### NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

8445-01-436-2695—Belt, Trousers, Women's, Type XII, Black, Size 45

*Designated Source of Supply:* Travis Association for the Blind, Austin, TX

*Contracting Activity:* DLA TROOP SUPPORT, PHILADELPHIA, PA

##### NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

8140-00-NSH-0014—Tube, Cardboard, Grenade, 155mm Projectile

*Designated Source of Supply:* SVRC Industries, Inc., Saginaw, MI

*Contracting Activity:* W4MM USA JOINT MUNITIONS CMD, ROCK ISLAND, IL

#### Service(s)

*Service Type:* Document Destruction

*Mandatory for:* VA Medical Clinic: 25 North Spruce, NULL, Colorado Springs, CO

*Designated Source of Supply:* Bayaud Enterprises, Inc., Denver, CO

*Contracting Activity:* VETERANS AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF, 259-NETWORK CONTRACT OFFICE 19

*Service Type:* Document Destruction

*Mandatory for:* Department of Veterans Affairs, Network Contracting Office, NCO 19, Glendale, CO

*Designated Source of Supply:* Bayaud Enterprises, Inc., Denver, CO

*Contracting Activity:* VETERANS AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF, 259-NETWORK CONTRACT OFFICE 19

**Michael R. Jurkowski,**

*Acting Director, Business Operations.*

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## COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

### Quarterly Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**DATES:** January 25, 2024, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. ET.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held virtually only via Zoom webinar.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Angela Phifer, 355 E Street SW, Suite 325, Washington, DC 20024, (703) 798-5873, [CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov](mailto:CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Background:* The Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled is an independent government agency operating as the U.S. AbilityOne Commission. It oversees the AbilityOne Program, which provides employment opportunities through Federal contracts for people who are blind or have significant disabilities in the manufacture and delivery of products and services to the Federal Government. The Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. chapter 85) authorizes the contracts.

*Registration:* Attendees *not* requesting speaking time should register not later than 11:59 p.m. ET on January 24, 2024. Attendees requesting speaking time must register not later than 11:59 p.m. ET on January 16, 2024, and use the comment fields in the registration form to specify the intended speaking topic/s. The registration link will be available by December 15, 2023, on the Commission's home page, [www.abilityone.gov](http://www.abilityone.gov), under News and Events.

*Commission Statement:* This regular quarterly meeting will include updates from the Commission Chairperson, Executive Director, and Inspector General.

*Public Participation:* The public engagement session will address how the AbilityOne Program supports, and can increasingly support, the Federal Government's hiring of individuals with disabilities. Scheduled speakers will include Federal agency partners as well as former AbilityOne Program employees who now work for the Federal Government.

The Commission invites public comments and suggestions on the public engagement topic. During registration, you may choose to submit comments, or you may request speaking time at the meeting. The Commission may invite

some attendees who submit advance comments to discuss their comments during the meeting. Comments submitted will be reviewed by staff and the Commission members before the meeting. Comments posted in the chat box during the meeting will be shared with the Commission members after the meeting. The Commission is not subject to the requirements of 5 U.S.C. 552(b); however, the Commission published this notice to encourage the broadest possible participation in its meeting.

*Personal Information:* Speakers should not include any information that they do not want publicly disclosed.

**Michael R. Jurkowski,**

*Acting Director, Business Operations.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Adoption of Department of Navy Categorical Exclusion Pursuant to Section 109 of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

**AGENCY:** Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice of adoption of the Department of Navy's (DoN) categorical exclusion for passive scientific measurement devices pursuant to section 109 of the NEPA.

**SUMMARY:** DARPA is adopting the DoN's categorical exclusion 19 for the installation and operation of passive scientific measurement devices. This notice describes the proposed action for which DARPA intends to use the DoN categorical exclusion and details the consultation between the agencies.

**DATES:** This action is effective January 12, 2024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Catherine Campbell, 703-526-2044 (Voice), [Catherine.Campbell@darpa.mil](mailto:Catherine.Campbell@darpa.mil) (Email).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

##### *National Environmental Policy Act and Categorical Exclusions*

NEPA, 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347, requires all Federal agencies to assess the environmental impacts of their actions. Congress enacted NEPA to encourage productive and enjoyable harmony between humans and the environment, recognizing the profound impact of human activity and the critical