

species listed as threatened. The ESA salmon and steelhead 4(d) rule (50 CFR 223.203) specifies categories of activities that are adequately regulated to provide for the conservation of listed salmonids and sets out the criteria for such activities. The rule further provides that the prohibitions of paragraph (a) of the (4) (d) rule do not apply to actions undertaken in compliance with a RMP developed jointly by the State of Washington and the Tribes and determined by NMFS to be in accordance with the salmon and steelhead 4(d) rule, 50 CFR 223.203(b)(6).

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 061803E]

Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

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

ACTION: Issuance of five scientific research permits/modifications (1140, 1156, 1309, 1315, 1376).

SUMMARY: Between April 21 and May 6, 2003, NMFS' Northwest Region issued the above noted research permits and permit modifications allowing endangered and threatened species of Pacific salmon and steelhead to be taken for scientific research purposes under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The research actions and the species they affect are listed in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below.

ADDRESSES: The permits, permit applications, and related documents are available for review during business hours by appointment at NMFS' Protected Resources Division, F/NWO3, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232-2737 (phone: 503-230-5400, fax: 503-230-5435).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

The ESA requires that permits and permit modifications be issued based on findings that such actions: (1) are applied for in good faith; (2) would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species that are the subject of the actions; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA. Authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits. Permits,

modifications, and amendments are issued in accordance with, and are subject to, the ESA and NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 222-226).

Species Covered in This Notice

The ESA-listed species/evolutionarily significant units (ESUs) covered by this notice are identified below and listed in the subsequent table by the numbers that precede each of them in the following text:

- (1) Threatened Puget Sound chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*)
- (2) Threatened Lower Columbia River chinook salmon
- (3) Threatened Snake River spring/summer chinook salmon
- (4) Threatened Snake River fall chinook salmon
- (5) Endangered Upper Columbia River spring-run chinook salmon
- (6) Threatened Upper Willamette River chinook salmon
- (7) Threatened Lower Columbia River steelhead (*O. mykiss*)
- (8) Threatened Middle Columbia River steelhead
- (9) Threatened Snake River steelhead
- (10) Threatened Upper Willamette River steelhead
- (11) Endangered Upper Columbia River steelhead
- (12) Threatened Southern Oregon/Northern California Coasts coho salmon (*O. kisutch*)
- (13) Threatened Oregon Coast coho salmon

Permits/Modifications Issued

TABLE 1. FIVE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PERMIT/MODIFICATION ACTIONS AFFECTING THREATENED AND ENDANGERED PACIFIC SALMON AND STEELHEAD

Permit Number	Affected Species/ ESU	Permittee	FEDERAL REGISTER Notice of Application Receipt
1140	1	Northwest Fisheries Science Center	March 14, 2003 (68 FR 12342).
1156	1-13	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	March 14, 2003 (68 FR 12342).
1309	1	King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks	March 14, 2003 (68 FR 12342).
1315	1	U.S. Corps of Engineers Seattle District	March 14, 2003 (68 FR 12342).
1376	1	Washington Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit	April 2, 2003 (68 FR 15997).

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP02-361-007]

Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C.; Notice of Compliance Filing

June 25, 2003.

Take notice that on June 18, 2003, Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C. (Gulfstream) tendered for filing a

revised Precedent Agreement between Gulfstream and Florida Power Corporation (FPC).

Gulfstream states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the order issued by the Commission on June 9, 2003, in Docket Nos. RP02-361-000, *et al.* (June 9 Order).

Gulfstream states that the instant filing complies with the directives of the June 9 Order by deleting certain provisions from the Precedent Agreement filed in this proceeding.