

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, January 12, 1995.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Marine Mammals

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

**ACTION:** Modification no. 2 to scientific research permit no. 716 (P466).

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that a request for modification of scientific research permit no. 716 submitted by Mr. Scott D. Kraus, Edgerton Research Laboratory, New England Aquarium, Central Wharf, Boston, MA 02110-3309 has been granted.

**ADDRESSES:** The modification and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Suite 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Director, Southeast Region, NMFS, NOAA, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702 (813/570-5312); and

Director, Northeast Region, NMFS, NOAA, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930 (508/281-9200).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On December 14, 1994, notice was published in the Federal Register (59 FR 64393) that a modification of permit no. 716, issued October 29, 1990 (55 FR 46543), had been requested by the above-named individual. The requested modification has been granted under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the provisions of §§ 216.33(d) and (e) of the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the provisions of § 222.25 of the Regulations Governing the Taking, Importing, and Exporting of Endangered Fish and Wildlife (50 CFR part 222).

Permit no. 466 authorized the permit holder for the inadvertent harassment of up to 350 right whales during the course of photo-identification and aerial survey activities. The permit holder was also authorized to biopsy up to 50 right whales, and to import/export right whale tissues for scientific research purposes. The permit has now been modified to authorize the permit holder to attach radio tags to up to ten right whales, in order to determine their whereabouts while outside of the present survey area.

Issuance of this modification, 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 the endangered species which is the subject of this permit; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: January 12, 1995.

**P.A. Montanio,**

*Acting Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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#### Marine Mammals

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

**ACTION:** Receipt of applications to modify permit nos. 838 (P535), 717 (P77#44), and 789 (P135C).

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the following permittees have requested a modification to their permits:

Permit No. 838 (File No. P535)—Mr. Stephen J. Insley, Animal Communication Laboratory, University of California, Davis, CA 95616-8761;

Permit No. 717 (File No. P77#44)—The National Marine Mammal Laboratory, Alaska Fisheries Science Center, NMFS, NOAA, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE., BIN C15700, Seattle, WA 98115; and

Permit No. 789 (File No. P135C)—James H.W. Hain, Ph.D., Northeast Fisheries Science Center, NMFS, 166 Water Street, Woods Hole, MA 02543-1026.

**ADDRESSES:** The modification requests and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

File No. P535—Director, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802 (907/586-7221);

File No. P77#44—Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 W. Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4016); and

File No. P135C—Director, Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930 (508/281-9200); and Director, Southeast Region, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432 (813/893-3141).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on these requests should be submitted to the Director, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1335 East-West Highway, F/PR1, Silver Spring, MD 20910, within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on the particular modification request would be appropriate.

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject modifications to permit Nos. 838 (58 FR 29810) issued May 17, 1993; 717, as modified, (58 FR 27270) issued May 7, 1993; and 789, as modified, (58 FR 6116), issued January 26, 1993, are requested 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 (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking, Importing, and Exporting of Endangered Fish and Wildlife (50 CFR part 222), the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*), and the fur seal regulations (50 CFR part 215).

#### Summary of Permit/Modification Requests

Permit No. 838 (Stephen Insley, P535) authorizes the permit holder to mark/tag up to 100 northern fur seals (*Callorhinus ursinus*) and inadvertently harass up to 110 over a 2-year period. The permit holder requests a 2-year extension of the take authority and an increase of 75 animals per year for inadvertent harassment during vocal playback activities.

Permit No. 717 (National Marine Mammal Laboratory, NMFS, P77#44) authorizes the take of 2,600 California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*) over