

Program	Ad valorem rate
Category D .....	0.29
Category A & B (Promissory Notes) .....	0.44
Regional Incentives:	
Labor Program .....	0.01
Interest Program .....	0.01
Housing Program .....	0.01
DC Loan Program .....	0.05
Total .....	0.81

Therefore, the Department will instruct the Customs Service to assess countervailing duties of zero for shipments from CMI, and 0.81 percent *ad valorem* on all other shipments from South Africa of the subject merchandise exported on or after January 1, 1991 and on or before December 31, 1991.

Further, as a result of removing from the countervailing duty rate the bounty or grant conferred by the Category A and B programs, we determine the cash deposit rate of estimated countervailing duties to be 0.37 percent *ad valorem*. This rate is *de minimis* as defined by 19 CFR 355.50. Therefore, as provided for by section 751(a)(1) of the Act, the Department will instruct the Customs Service to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties of zero for all shipments of the subject merchandise from South Africa entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of this notice. This deposit requirement shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

This administrative review and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1) and 19 CFR 355.22).

Dated: January 31, 1995.

**Susan G. Esserman,**  
Assistant Secretary for Import  
Administration.

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## National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Marine Mammals; Small Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities

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

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of an incidental harassment authorization.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) as amended, notification is hereby given that an Incidental Harassment Authorization to take small numbers of harbor seals by harassment incidental to the nonexplosive demolition of the Still Harbor Dock Facility on McNeil Island in southern Puget Sound has been issued to the Washington State Department of Corrections (WDOC).

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This authorization is effective from 0001 hours January 20, 1995 until 2400 hours January 19, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** The application and authorization are available for review in the following offices: Marine Mammal Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 and the Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, WA 98115.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kenneth Hollingshead, Marine Mammal Division, Office of Protected Resources at 301-713-2055, or Brent Norberg, Northwest Regional Office at 206-526-6733.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 101(a)(5)(A) of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) directs the Secretary of Commerce to allow, upon request, the incidental, but not intentional taking of marine mammals by U.S. citizens who engage in a specified activity (other than commercial fishing) within a specified geographical region if certain findings are made and regulations are issued.

Permission may be granted if NMFS finds that the taking will have a negligible impact on the species or stock(s); will not have an unmitigable adverse impact on the availability of the species or stock(s) for subsistence uses; and the permissible methods of taking and requirements pertaining to the monitoring and reporting of such taking are set forth.

On April 30, 1994, the President signed Public Law 103-238, the Marine Mammal Protection Act Amendments of 1994. One part of this law added a new subsection 101(a)(5)(D) to the MMPA to establish an expedited process by which citizens of the United States can receive an authorization, without regulations, to incidentally take small numbers of marine mammals by harassment. New subsection 101(a)(5)(D) establishes a 45-day time limit for NMFS review of an application followed by a 30-day public notice and comment period on any proposed authorizations for the incidental harassment of small numbers of marine mammals. Within 45 days of the close of the comment period, NMFS

must either issue or deny issuance of the authorization.

On August 18, 1994, the WDOC applied for an authorization under section 101(a)(5)(D) of the MMPA, for the take of a small number of harbor seals by harassment incidental to the demolition of the existing dock facility and the driving of approximately 152 concrete, plastic, and steel piles (90 concrete, 40 plastic, and 22 steel) of the Still Harbor Dock Facility on McNeil Island in southern Puget Sound, WA. Notice of receipt of the application and the proposed authorization was published on November 8, 1994 (59 FR 55639) and a 30-day public comment period was provided on the application and proposed authorization. In addition, an Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared for this action by NMFS and made available at that time. During the comment period, one comment was received. The Marine Mammal Commission recommended that the proposed small take exemption not be issued until the uncertainties and details of the monitoring program have been worked out and NMFS is able to reasonably conclude that the (monitoring) program is appropriate to detect any possible harmful effects on the local harbor seal population. In part as a result of this comment, a condition of the Incidental Harassment Authorization is for WDOC to notify both NMFS and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) at least 48 hours prior to commencement of work in order to allow observations of harbor seals prior to work beginning. To ensure that observations take place during demolition work, if NMFS and/or WDFW biologists are not available during demolition, the WDOC is required to contract for behavioral observations to be made during any work on the McNeil Island Dock. The Commission also questioned the scheduling of the proposed activities and noted that while documentation states that "[t]he dock removal and construction schedules were developed to avoid reproductively sensitive life history periods of several species of wildlife, including harbor seals" the documents did not indicate what other wildlife species were considered or discussed. As a result, the Commission was concerned that they were not able to determine whether the proposed authorization would meet the requirements of section 101(a)(5)(D)(ii) of the MMPA. As explained to the Commission, these other species were not discussed in the EA because they were discussed in the Environmental

Impact Statement prepared by the WDOC (which was incorporated by reference into the EA). It should be noted that the dock construction schedule was developed by the applicant in cooperation with the WDFW to ensure the least impact on the various protected species. Once NMFS was assured that the taking would not result in more than the harassment (as defined by the MMPA Amendments of 1994) of a small number of harbor seals, would have a negligible impact on the species, and would result in the least practicable impact on the stock, NMFS determined that the requirements of section 101(a)(5)(D) had been met and the authorization could be issued.

Additional background information on the activity and request can be found in the notice of receipt and proposed authorization (59 FR 55639, November 8, 1994) and need not be repeated here.

Dated: January 30, 1995.

**Patricia A. Montanio,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA No. 84.031A, CFDA No. 84.031G]

### Closing Date for Receipt of Applications for Designation as an Eligible Institution for Fiscal Year (FY) 1995 for the Strengthening Institutions and Endowment Challenge Grant Programs

The Department of Education published a notice in the **Federal Register** of December 6, 1994 (59 FR 62964-62966) that established January 23, 1995 as the closing date for the submission of applications to be designated as an eligible institution under the Strengthening Institutions and Endowment Challenge Grant programs for Fiscal Year 1995. The Department is reopening and extending the application period to March 27, 1995 because the requisite application forms will not be available until February 21, 1995.

#### FOR APPLICATIONS OR INFORMATION

**CONTACT:** Strengthening Institutions Program Branch, Division of Institutional Development, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Suite 600, Portals Building, Washington, D.C. 20202-5335. Telephone: (202) 708-8839. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339

between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Information about the Department's funding opportunities, including copies of application notices for discretionary grant competitions, can be viewed on the Department's electronic bulletin board (ED Board), telephone (202) 260-9950; or on the Internet Gopher Server at GOPHER.ED.GOV (under Announcements, Bulletins and Press Releases). However, the official application notice for a discretionary grant competition is the notice published in the **Federal Register**.

*Program Authority:* 20 U.S.C. 1057, 1059c and 1065a.

Dated: January 30, 1995.

**David A. Longanecker,**

*Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.*

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### Advisory Council on Education Statistics; Meeting

**AGENCY:** Advisory Council on Education Statistics.

**ACTION:** Teleconference.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Advisory Council on Education Statistics. This notice also describes the functions of the Council. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend.

**DATES AND TIME:** February 13, 1995 at 10:00 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** 555 New Jersey Avenue, NW., room 400F, Washington, DC 20208.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barbara Marenus, Executive Director, Advisory Council on Education Statistics, 555 New Jersey Avenue, room 400J, Washington, DC 20208-7575, telephone: (202) 219-1839.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Advisory Council on Education Statistics (ACES) is established under Section 406(c)(1) of the Education Amendments of 1974, Pub. L. 93-380. The Council is established to review general policies for the operation of the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) in the Office of Educational Research and Improvement and is responsible for advising on standards to insure that statistics and analyses disseminated by NCES are of high quality and are not subject to political

influence. The meeting of the Council is open to the public.

The proposed agenda includes the following:

- A discussion of draft NCES guidelines on standards-based reporting.
- Discussion of the Council's new legislated responsibilities.
- Expanding the membership of the Council.

Records are kept of all Council proceedings and are available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Director, Advisory Council on Education Statistics, 555 New Jersey Avenue NW., room 400J, Washington, DC 20208-7575.

**Sharon P. Robinson,**

*Assistant Secretary for Educational Research and Improvement.*

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### Indian Education National Advisory Council; Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Advisory Council on Indian Education, Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the National Advisory Council on Indian Education. This notice also describes the functions of the Council. Notice of this meeting is required under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

**DATES:** February 11, 1995 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. or until the conclusion of business.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Quality Inn Capitol Hill, 415 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, (202) 638-1616.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John W. Cheek, Acting Director, National Advisory Council on Indian Education, 330 C Street, SW., room 4072, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-7556. Telephone: (202) 205-8353.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Advisory Council on Indian Education is established under section 5342 of the Indian Education Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. 2642). The Council is established to, among other things, assist the Secretary of Education in carrying out responsibilities under the Indian Education Act and to advise Congress and the Secretary of Education with regard to federal education programs in which Indian children or adults participate or from which they can benefit.

The Chairman of the National Advisory Council on Indian Education