

whales, 250 individual fin whales, 50 individual sei whales, and 50 individual right whales in the Western North Atlantic. Proposed taking will be by close approach (within 100 yards) for photo-identification to continue long-term studies of distribution, demography, behavior, and ecology of the cetaceans inhabiting the Northeastern coastal waters of the United States.

Dated: March 10, 1995.

Art Jeffers,

Acting Chief, Permits & Documentation Division, 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 application for a scientific research permit (P773#54).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Bradford E. Brown, Ph.D., of the National Marine Fisheries Service, Southeast Fisheries Science Center, 75 Virginia Beach Drive, Miami, FL 33149, has applied in due form for a permit to take Atlantic bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops truncatus*) for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before April 17, 1995.

ADDRESSES: The application 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);

Director, Southeast Region, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive, N., St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432 (813/893-3141).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request, should be submitted to the Chief, Permits Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, 1335 East-West Highway, 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 this particular request would be appropriate.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Secretary of Commerce is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine

Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

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

The applicant seeks authorization to take by harassment a maximum of 2,000 Atlantic bottlenose dolphins per year for the purpose of locating a maximum of 500 (over a 5-year period) dolphins suitable for take by capture for examination, sampling, marking, and release. The objectives of this study are to develop health assessment indices of dolphin populations and individuals in the southeast, and ultimately to assess the impact of human activities on specific populations.

Dated: March 10, 1995.

Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits & Documentation Division, 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 application for a scientific research permit (P532B).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Texas A&M University, Department of Marine Biology, Galveston, TX 77553-1675 (Principal Investigators: Dr. Randall W. Davis, Texas A&M, Dr. Michael A. Castellini, University of Alaska, and Dr. Terrie M. Williams, University of California-Santa Cruz) has applied in due form for a permit to take Steller sea lions (*Eumetopias jubatus*) for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before April 17, 1995.

ADDRESSES: The application 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);

Director, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (907/586-7221).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request, should be submitted to the Chief, Permits Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected

Resources, 1335 East-West Highway, 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 this particular request would be appropriate.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is 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.*), and the Regulations Governing the Taking, Importing, and Exporting of Endangered Fish and Wildlife (50 CFR part 222).

The applicants request authority to take up to 120 Steller sea lions (*Eumetopias jubatus*) annually for 5 years. Of these 40, each of the pups, females, and juveniles will be flipper tagged and dye marked, physiologically handled, blood, blubber and muscle biopsy sampled, and metabolic rate measured. Twenty each of the females and juveniles will carry a radio transmitter and miniature time-depth-stomach temperature recorder, be injected with Evans blue dye to determine plasma volume, have their lung volume measured using the helium dilution method, have an upper premolar no. 2 extracted for aging, and one - two whiskers clipped for stable isotope analysis. Each year up to 1,000 animals may be inadvertently harassed and up to six animals may accidentally die during the course of the research.

Dated: March 10, 1995.

Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits & Documentation Division, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the Semiconductor Technology Council

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Public Law 92-463, the "Federal Advisory Committee Act," notice is hereby given that the Semiconductor Technology Council will hold its initial