

ACTION: Modification no. 3 to scientific research permit no. 873 (P772#63).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a request for modification of scientific research permit no. 873 submitted by the Southwest Fisheries Science Center, NMFS, P.O. Box 271, La Jolla, CA 92038-0271, 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); and

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802, (310/980-4016).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 30, 1996, notice was published in the Federal Register (61 FR 3001) that a modification of permit no. 873, issued July 28, 1993 (58 FR 34038), had been requested by the above-named organization. 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 paragraphs (d) and (e) of § 216.33 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. 873 authorized the permit holder to biopsy several species of cetaceans off the Pacific, Southern, and Indian Oceans, and to import biopsy tissues collected outside of U.S. waters. The permit has been modified to authorize the importation of tissue biopsy samples from the following additional species: Bowhead whale (*Balaena mysticetus*), western Pacific gray whale (*Eschrichtius robustus*), and beluga whale (*Delphinapterus leucas*) from Russian territorial waters.

Issuance of this modification, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such modification: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which are the subject of this permit; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: March 27, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,

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

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Marine Mammals and Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Receipt of modification request for scientific research permit 968 (P557D); request for comments.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Scripps Institution of Oceanography has applied in due form for a modification to permit 968 for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before May 2, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The modification and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s): Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); and

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802, (310/980-4016).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request, should be submitted to the Director, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, 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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject modification 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.*), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR parts 217-222), the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*), and fur seal regulations at 50 CFR part 215.

The modification requests authorization to include a dual-

frequency transmission test 18.5 kilometers southwest of Pioneer Seamount for a period of approximately 2 weeks. Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, the National Marine Fisheries Service is forwarding copies of this modification to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: March 26, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division,
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Marine Fisheries Service.*

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Proposed Collection of Information; Comment Request—Safety Standard for Cigarette Lighters

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Consumer Product Safety Commission requests comments on a proposed request for an extension of approval of a collection of information from manufacturers and importers of disposable and novelty cigarette lighters. This collection of information consists of testing and recordkeeping requirements in certification regulations implementing the Safety Standard for Cigarette Lighters (16 CFR Part 1210). The Commission will consider all comments received in response to this notice before requesting an extension of approval of this collection of information from the Office of Management and Budget.

DATES: Written comments must be received by the Office of the Secretary not later than June 3, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be captioned "Cigarette Lighters" and mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207, or delivered to that office, room 502, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about the proposed extension of the collection of information, or to obtain a copy of 16 CFR Part 1210 without charge, call or write Nicholas V. Marchica, Director, Office of Planning and Evaluation, Consumer Product Safety Commission,

Washington, DC 20207; telephone (301) 504-0416, extension 2243.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1993, the Commission issued the Safety Standard for Cigarette Lighters (16 CFR Part 1210) under provisions of the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA) (15 U.S.C. 2051 *et seq.*) to eliminate or reduce risks of death and burn injury from fires accidentally started by children playing with cigarette lighters. The standard contains performance requirements for disposable and novelty lighters which are intended to make cigarette lighters subject to the standard resist operation by children younger than five years of age.

A. Certification Requirements

Section 14(a) of the CPSA (15 U.S.C. 2063(a)) requires manufacturers, importers, and private labelers of a consumer product subject to a consumer product safety standard to issue a certificate stating that the product complies with all applicable consumer product safety standards. Section 14(a) of the CPSA also requires that the certificate of compliance must be based on a test of each product or upon a reasonable testing program.

Section 14(b) of the CPSA authorizes the Commission to issue regulations to prescribe a reasonable testing program to support certificates of compliance with a consumer product safety standard. Section 16(b) of the CPSA (15 U.S.C. 2065(b)) authorizes the Commission to issue rules to require that firms "establish and maintain" records to permit the Commission to determine compliance with rules issued under the authority of the CPSA.

The Commission has issued regulations prescribing requirements for a reasonable testing program to support certificates of compliance with the standard for cigarette lighters. These regulations require manufacturers and importers to submit a description of each model of lighter, results of prototype qualification tests for compliance with the standard, and other information before the introduction of each model of lighter in commerce. These regulations also require manufacturers, importers, and private labelers of disposable and novelty lighters to establish and maintain records to demonstrate successful completion of all required tests to support the certificates of compliance which they issue. 16 CFR Part 1210, Subpart B.

The Commission uses the information compiled and maintained by manufacturers, importers, and private labelers of disposable and novelty lighters to protect consumers from risks

of accidental deaths and burn injuries associated with those lighters. More specifically, the Commission uses this information to determine whether lighters comply with the standard by resisting operation by young children. The Commission also uses this information to obtain corrective actions if disposable or novelty lighters fail to comply with the standard in a manner which creates a substantial risk of injury to the public.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the collection of information in the certification regulations for cigarette lighters under control number 3041-0116. OMB's most recent extension of approval will expire on March 31, 1996. The Commission proposes to request an extension of approval without change for these collection of information requirements.

B. Estimated Burden

The Commission staff estimates that about 45 firms are subject to the testing and recordkeeping requirements of the certification regulations. The Commission staff estimates further that the annual testing and recordkeeping burden imposed by the regulations on each of these firms on average is approximately 175 hours. Thus, the total annual burden imposed by the certification regulations on all manufacturers, importers and private labelers of disposable and novelty cigarette lighters is about 7,875 hours.

The Commission staff estimates that the average hourly cost to reporting firms for the time required to perform the required testing and to maintain the required records is about \$50, and that the annual total cost to the industry is approximately \$394,000.

During a typical year, the Commission expends approximately two months of professional staff time reviewing records required to be maintained by the certification regulations for disposable and novelty cigarette lighters. The annual cost to the Federal government of the collection of information in these regulations is estimated to be \$12,100.

It should be noted that the performance standard for disposable and novelty cigarette lighters is expected to have net benefits of \$400 million annually, and to prevent 80 to 105 fire deaths each year.

C. Request for Comments

The Commission solicits written comments from all interested persons about the proposed extension of approval of the collection of information in the certification and recordkeeping regulations for cigarette lighters. The Commission specifically solicits

information about the hourly burden and monetary costs imposed by the collection of information on firms subject to this collection of information. The Commission also seeks information relevant to the following topics:

- Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's functions;
- Whether the information will have practical utility for the Commission;
- Whether the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected could be enhanced; and
- Whether the burden imposed by the collection of information could be minimized by use of automated, electronic or other technological collection techniques, or other form of information technology.

Dated: March 28, 1996.

Sadye E. Dunn,

Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Foster Grandparent and Senior Companion Programs

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS).

ACTION: Notice of revision of income eligibility levels for the Foster Grandparent Program and Senior Companion Program.

SUMMARY: This Notice revises the schedules of income eligibility levels for participation in the Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) and Senior Companion Program (SCP), published in 60 FR 19393, April 18, 1995.

The revised schedules are based on changes in the Poverty Guidelines issued by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), published in 61 FR 8286, March 4, 1996.

In accordance with program regulations, the income eligibility level for each State and the District of Columbia is 125 percent of the HHS Poverty Guidelines, except in those areas determined by the Corporation to be of higher cost of living. In such instances, the guideline shall be 135 percent of the HHS Poverty levels. The level of eligibility is rounded to the next highest multiple of \$5.00.

In determining income eligibility, consideration should be given to the following, as set forth in 59 FR 15120, March 31, 1994: