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List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Television broadcasting.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Chapter II and VI

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Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) and its Large Pelagic Committee, Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Committee, Habitat Committee, Atlantic Mackerel, Squid and Butterfish Committee, and Comprehensive Management Committee will hold public meetings.

DATES: The meetings will be held on April 1-3, 1997. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Brandywine Suites Hotel, 707 N. King Street, Wilmington, DE 19801; telephone: 1-800-756-0070.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: 302-674-2331.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David R. Keifer, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: 302-674-2331.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On Tuesday, April 1, the Large Pelagic Committee will meet from 10:00 a.m. until noon. The Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Committee will meet from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Habitat

Committee will meet from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. On Wednesday, April 2, the Council will meet from 8:00 a.m. until noon. The Atlantic Mackerel, Squid and Butterfish Committee will meet from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Comprehensive Management Committee will meet from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. On Thursday, April 3, the Council will meet from 8:00 a.m. until approximately noon.

The purpose of these meetings is to review proposed changes to Federal regulations on large pelagics, discuss surfclam and ocean quahog research, discuss proposed essential fish habitat regulations, discuss joint venture and internal waters processing policies, discuss vessel replacement criteria, and other fishery management matters.

The above agenda items may not be taken in the order in which they appear and are subject to change as necessary; other items may be added. The meetings may also be closed at any time to discuss employment or other internal administrative matters.

Special Accommodations

The meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Joanna Davis at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting dates.

Dated: March 13, 1997.

Bruce Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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50 CFR Part 600

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Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Foreign Fishing Vessels in Internal Waters; Reporting Requirements

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

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: NMFS proposes new reporting requirements for foreign fishing vessels (FFV) operating in the internal waters of a state. FFV's so authorized by the Governor of a state may engage in fish processing and support of U.S. fishing vessels within the internal waters of a state in compliance with the terms and conditions set by the authorizing

Governor. The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act (SFA), now requires that FFV's report the tonnage and harvest location of fish received from vessels of the United States. The intent of this rule is to implement the new statutory requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Act and collect landings information for management and conservation purposes.

DATES: Comments must be received by April 21, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to George H. Darcy, F/SF3, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Comments regarding the collection-of-information requirement contained in this rule should be sent to the above address and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20503 (Attention: NOAA Desk Officer).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George H. Darcy, 301-713-2341.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 11, 1996, the President signed into law the SFA (Public Law 104-297), which made numerous amendments to the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*). Section 112(c) of the SFA amended section 306(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act to require that the owner or operator of a FFV engaged in fish processing and support of U.S. fishing vessels within the internal waters of a state submit reports on the tonnage of fish received from vessels of the United States and the locations from which such fish were harvested, in accordance with such procedures as the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary), by regulation, shall prescribe. NMFS, on behalf of the Secretary, is proposing revisions to § 600.508(f), which pertains to foreign fishing operations in internal waters, to implement the SFA requirements.

The proposed provisions would require that the owner or operator of each FFV submit weekly reports to the NMFS Regional Administrator. Owners or operators would be required to request the requirements regarding the timing and method of submission of the reports from the Regional Administrator at least 15 days prior to the first receipt of fish from a vessel of the United States. Reports would require vessel identification information; date of receipt of fish; amount of fish received, by species; and location(s) from which the fish received were harvested. The

timing and method of submission of reports would be stipulated by the NMFS Regional Administrator in writing, upon request, and would be determined based on the data collection and fishery monitoring systems in place in the Region at that time.

Classification

This rule has been determined to be not significant for purposes of E.O. 12866.

The Assistant General Counsel for Legislation and Regulation of the Department of Commerce certified to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration that this proposed rule, if adopted, would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The only entities affected, namely owners and operators of FFV's, are not domestic entities and, according to regulations implementing the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), are not considered small entities under the RFA. There will be no impacts of this proposed rule on domestic small entities.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number.

This rule contains a collection-of-information requirement subject to the PRA. This collection-of-information requirement has been submitted to OMB for approval. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is

estimated to average 0.5 hours per response to fill out and submit each weekly report to the Regional Administrator, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

Public comment is sought regarding: Whether this proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; the accuracy of the burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Send comments regarding these burden estimates or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to NMFS and to OMB (see ADDRESSES).

List of Subjects in 50 CFR Part 600

Fisheries, Fishing.

Dated: March 13, 1997.

Rolland A. Schmitten,
*Assistant Administrator for Fisheries,
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

For the reasons set out in the preamble, 50 CFR part 600 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 600—MAGNUSON ACT PROVISIONS

1. The authority citation for part 600 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

2. In § 600.508, paragraph (f) is revised to read as follows:

§ 600.508 Fishing operations.

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(f) *Internal waters.* For FFV's authorized under section 306(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act:

(1) Each FFV may engage in fish processing and support of U.S. fishing vessels within the internal waters of that state in compliance with terms and conditions set by the authorizing Governor; and

(2) The owner or operator of each FFV must submit weekly reports on the amount of fish received from vessels of the United States and the location(s) where such fish were harvested.

(i) Reports must include:

(A) Vessel identification information for the FFV.

(B) Date of each receipt of fish.

(C) Amount of fish received, by species.

(D) Location(s) from which the fish received were harvested.

(ii) Owners or operators of FFV's processing fish in internal waters under the provisions of this paragraph (f) must request the requirements regarding the timing and submission of the reports from the Regional Administrator at least 15 days prior to the first receipt of fish from a vessel of the United States, who shall stipulate them in writing.

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