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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**Application for Authorized Chart Agent**

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; Comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before July 21, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Pauline Coleman, N/ACC320, Room 100, 6501 Lafayette Avenue, Riverdale, MD 20737-1157 (301-436-8301).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

Nautical and aeronautical charts and publications produced by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) are made available to the public through businesses designated as authorized chart agents. An application form is necessary for NOAA to identify applicants and to determine whether those applicants are financially reliable and can meet minimal sales standards.

**II. Method of Collection**

Applicants submit a form with supporting documentation on their financial condition.

**III. Data**

*OMB Number:* 0648-0164.

*Form Number:* NOAA Form 49-74.

*Type of Review:* Regular Submission.

*Affected Public:* Businesses.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 600.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 15 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 150 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$0—Respondents will not be required to purchase equipment or materials to respond to this survey.

**IV. Request for Comments**

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 14, 1997.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**Foreign Fishing Reporting Requirements**

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; Comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Bob Dickinson, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, International Fisheries Division, 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, (301) 713-2337.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

Foreign fishing activities can be authorized under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*). Collection of information from permitted foreign vessels is necessary to monitor their activities and whereabouts in U.S. waters. Reports are also necessary to monitor the amounts of fish, if any, such vessels receive from U.S. vessels in joint venture operations (wherein U.S. vessels catch and transfer at-sea to permitted foreign vessels certain species for which U.S. demand is low relative to the abundance of the species) or otherwise receive for transfer outside U.S. waters.

**II. Method of Collection**

Information is collected by radio report.

**III. Data**

*OMB Number:* 0648-0075.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular Submission.

*Affected Public:* Foreign fishing companies.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 110.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 6 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 330.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$0—Respondents will not be required to purchase equipment or materials to respond to this survey.

**IV. Request for Comments**

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and