

to essential fish habitat, bycatch, overfishing, and other provisions required by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The Groundfish Management Team will also discuss stock assessment and fishery evaluation preparation plans and assignments.

### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Eric Greene at (503) 326-6352 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: May 21, 1997.

#### Bruce C. Morehead,

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Pacific Offshore Cetacean Take Reduction Plan; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces its intent to reconvene the Pacific Offshore Cetacean Take Reduction Team to review and evaluate the efficacy of two marine mammal bycatch reduction strategies implemented voluntarily by the fishery during the 1996/1997 fishing season and to evaluate the need for effort reduction and potential implementation mechanisms.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on May 29, 1997, from 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., and May 30, 1997, from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, CA 90802. Requests for additional information should be sent to Irma Lagomarsino, NMFS, Southwest Regional Office, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Irma Lagomarsino, (310) 980-4016, fax (310) 980-4027, or Victoria Cornish, (301) 713-2322, fax (301) 713-0376.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 118(f) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) requires NMFS to develop

and implement a take reduction plan designed to assist in the recovery or prevent the depletion of each strategic marine mammal stock(s) which interacts with certain fisheries. The immediate goal of a take reduction plan is to reduce, within 6 months of its implementation, the incidental mortality or serious injury of strategic marine mammal stocks incidentally taken in the course of commercial fishing to levels less than the Potential Biological Removal level, or PBR, established for that stock. The long term goal of the plan shall be to reduce, within 5 years of its implementation, the incidental mortality or serious injury of marine mammals incidentally taken in the course of commercial fishing to insignificant levels approaching a zero mortality and serious injury rate, taking into account the economics of the fishery, the availability of existing technology, and existing state or regional fishery management plans.

In accordance with section 118(f)(6)(A), NMFS established the Pacific Offshore Cetacean Take Reduction Team for the California/Oregon thresher shark and swordfish drift gillnet fishery on February 12, 1996 (61 FR 5385). This fishery interacts with several strategic marine mammal stocks including: *Mesoplodont sp.* beaked whales, Baird's beaked whale, Cuvier's beaked whale, the sperm whale, the humpback whale, the pygmy sperm whale, and the short-finned pilot whale. These stocks are considered strategic under the MMPA, because they are either listed as an endangered or threatened species under the Endangered Species Act or because the levels of human-caused mortality are greater than their PBR levels.

The team submitted a draft take reduction plan to NMFS on August 12, 1996. NMFS subsequently published a proposed rule implementing the team's draft plan on February 14, 1997 (62 FR 6931). NMFS intends to reconvene the team in accordance with section 118(f)(7)(E) and the recommendation of the team in their draft plan to review and evaluate the efficacy of two marine mammal bycatch reduction strategies implemented voluntarily by the fishery during the 1996/1997 fishing season. These include an acoustic deterrent device (pinger) experiment and setting nets at a minimum of 6 fathoms below the surface of the water. At the meeting, the team will also evaluate the need for effort reduction and potential implementation mechanisms.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend. Background materials may be requested from the NMFS office

indicated in the ADDRESSES section. The meeting is open to the public and is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Irma Lagomarsino at (310) 980-4016 by May 27, 1997.

Dated: May 22, 1997.

#### Patricia Montanio,

*Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Chicago Board of Trade Futures Contracts in Corn and Soybeans; Notice That Delivery Point Specifications Must Be Amended

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**TIME AND DATE:** 2:00-5:00 p.m., Thursday, June 12, 1997.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C. Lobby Level Hearing Room located at Room 1000.

**STATUS:** Open.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission") will convene a public meeting at which the Chicago Board of Trade ("CBT") and interested members of the public may appear before it to give oral and written statements relating to the Commission's consideration of amendments proposed by the CBT to the delivery specifications of the CBT corn and soybean futures contracts.

**ADDRESSES:** Requests to appear and statements of interest should be mailed to the Commodity Futures Trading Commissions, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21 Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20581, attention Office of the Secretariat; transmitted by facsimile at (202) 418-5521; or transmitted electronically to [secretary@cftc.gov]. Reference should be made to "Delivery Specifications Meeting."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul M. Architzel, Chief Counsel, Division of Economic Analysis, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20581, (202) 418-5260, or electronically, [PArchitzel@cftc.gov].

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** By letter dated May 8, 1997, the CBT requested an opportunity to appear before the

Commission in connection with the Commission's consideration of amendments to the delivery specifications of the corn and soybean futures contracts proposed by the CBT. The proposed amendments were submitted in response to a notification to the CBT by the Commission finding that those contracts no longer meet the statutory requirements of section 5a(a)(10) of the Commodity Exchange Act. 61 F.R. 67998 (December 26, 1996). The Commission has requested comment from interested members of the public on issues raised by the proposed amendments. The comment period will remain open until June 16, 1997. 62 FR 19992 (April 24, 1997).

The Commission is of the view that, in addition to the receipt of written comments, an opportunity for the CBT and interested members of the public to appear before it will assist it in its consideration of these issues and is in the public interest. Accordingly, the Commission will convene a public meeting on June 12, 1997, for that purpose.

In its request for comment, 62 FR 12156 (March 14, 1997), the Commission described the four alternatives included in the original section 5a(a)(10) notification to the CBT and the CBT's proposed amendments to the contracts' delivery specifications. The Commission also posed a number of questions. 62 FR at 12158. Persons appearing before the Commission are invited specifically to address those questions and to provide relevant factual data.

All individuals or organizations wishing to appear before the Commission should submit to the Commission at the above address, by June 5, 1997, a concise statement of interest and qualifications and a brief summary or abstract of the content of his or her statement. The Commission will invite a representative number of individuals or organizations to appear from those submitting such statements. A transcription of the meeting will be made and entered into the Commission's public comment files, which as noted above, will remain open for the receipt of written comment until June 16, 1997.

Issued in Washington, D.C., this 22nd day of May 1997.

By the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**Jean A. Webb,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Privacy Act of 1974: System of Records

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of new systems of records.

**SUMMARY:** This notice adds five systems to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's systems of records maintained under the Privacy Act: The Commission's internal and Internet e-mail system, the Internet web and news group browsing system, the Lexis/Westlaw billing system, the Library automated circulation system, and the telephone system. The notice informs the public of the existence and character of these systems and the routine uses which the Commission may make of the information contained in the systems.

**DATES:** Comments on the establishment of the new system of records must be received no later than June 30, 1997. The new system of records will be effective July 8, 1997, unless the Commission receives comments which would result in a contrary determination.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments concerning routine uses should be addressed to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW., Washington, DC 20581. Comments may also be sent via the Internet via [secretary@cftc.gov](mailto:secretary@cftc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stacy Dean Yochum, Office of the Executive Director, (202) 418-5157, or Glynn Mays, Office of General Counsel, (202) 418-5120, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW., Washington, DC 20581.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a, and the Commission's implementing regulations, 17 CFR part 146, the Commission is publishing a description of five new systems of records. Each is described in detail below.

1. **Telephone System.** The Commission is establishing this system to enhance its ability to assess employee use of the telephone systems provided by the Commission. Since parts of this system may be used to retrieve information about an individual through the telephone number assigned to that individual, the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, requires a general notice of the existence of this system of records

to the public. The information may be used for telecommunication traffic studies, cost projections or other management studies and to enable the Commission to determine responsibility for placement of specific calls in connection with inquiries into possible employee or contractor misconduct, including misuse of government-provided telephones.

The new system includes records relating to calls made from Commission telephones or charged to CFTC issued calling cards. The Commission keeps a record of the telephone number or calling card number assigned to each employee or on-site contractor. Local telephone services provide a monthly bill which includes a list of local toll call activity. For local toll calls, the bill shows the number from which the call was made, the date and time of the call, the city or service and the number to which the call was made, the length of the call and the charge for the call.

For long distance calls placed through the Federal Telecommunications System, the General Services Administration (GSA) provides the Commission with a monthly report by line number that shows the city and telephone number for each call placed, the date, time and duration of the call and the cost for that call. This system also contains telephone assignment records, records reflecting the location of government telephones and requests for information concerning calls made to or from particular line numbers. OAS also receives reports, listed by calling card number, of employee long-distance calls placed through AT&T, MCI, and Sprint which are charged to an employee's government issued calling card.

2. **Interoffice and Internet E-mail.** The Commission is establishing a system of records for its electronic mail system. The e-mail system allows each employee to send and receive messages and document attachments at his or her personal computer. Because this system allows information on individuals to be retrieved through the address assigned to each employee or on-site contractor, the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, requires a general notice of the existence of this system of records to the public.

The interoffice system allows messages to be sent and received by CFTC employees or on-site contractors. Through gateway software, employees also may use their e-mail system to send and receive external messages and document attachments via the Internet. Each employee has an interoffice mail address based on his or her name, division or office and location. Each employee also has an Internet address