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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

A final rule was published in the July 9, 1997 *Federal Register* (62 FR 36704-36738) that revised multiple parts of the NASA FAR Supplement (NFS). The published version of that rule did not include the dates for a number of solicitation provisions and contract clauses. This final rule makes the appropriate corrections.

Impact

NASA certifies that this regulation will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*). This final rule does not impose any reporting or record keeping requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act.

List of Subjects in 48 CFR 1852

Government procurement.

Tom Luedtke,

Associate Administrator for Procurement.

Accordingly, 48 CFR Part 1852 is amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Part 1852 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2473(c)(1).

PART 1852—SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CONTRACT CLAUSES

1852.216-89, 1852.219-73, 1852.219-75, 1852.219-76, 1852.219-77, 1852.219-79, 1852.227-72, 1852.242-73, 1852.243-70, 1852.245-70, 1852.245-71, 1852.245-77, 1852.245-79 [Amended]

2. The dates of the provisions and clauses in sections 1852.216-89, 1852.219-73, 1852.219-75, 1852.219-76, 1852.219-77, 1852.219-79, 1852.227-72, 1852.242-73, 1852.245-70, 1852.245-71, 1852.245-77, 1852.245-79, and Alternate I within the

clause in section 1852.243-70, are revised to read "(JUL 1997)".

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 961107312-7021-02; I.D. 072297D]

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Greenland Turbot in the Bering Sea Subarea

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

ACTION: Closure.

SUMMARY: NMFS is prohibiting retention of Greenland turbot in the Bering Sea subarea of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands management area (BSAI). NMFS is requiring that catch of Greenland turbot in this area be treated in the same manner as prohibited species and discarded at sea with a minimum of injury. This action is necessary because the Greenland turbot 1997 total allowable catch (TAC) in this area has been reached.

DATES: Effective 1200 hrs, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), July 23, 1997, until 2400 hrs, A.l.t., December 31, 1997.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The groundfish fishery in the BSAI exclusive economic zone is managed by the NMFS according to the Fishery Management Plan for the Groundfish Fishery of the Bering Sea and Bering Sea Area (FMP) prepared by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council under authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Fishing by U.S. vessels is governed by regulations implementing the FMP at

subpart H of 50 CFR part 600 and 50 CFR part 679.

The 1997 TAC of Greenland turbot in the Bering Sea subarea was established by the Final 1997 Harvest Specifications of Groundfish for the BSAI (62 FR 7168, February 18, 1997) and subsequent reserve apportionment (62 FR 31369, June 9, 1997) as 6,030 metric tons (mt). See § 679.20(c)(3)(iii).

In accordance with § 679.20(d)(2), the Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS, has determined that the 1997 TAC for Greenland turbot in the Bering Sea subarea has been reached. Therefore, NMFS is requiring that further catches of Greenland turbot in the Bering Sea subarea be treated as prohibited species in accordance with § 679.21(b).

Classification

This action responds to the best available information recently obtained from the fishery. It must be implemented immediately to prevent overharvesting the 1997 TAC for Greenland turbot in the Bering Sea subarea of the BSAI. Providing prior notice and an opportunity for public comment on this action is impracticable and contrary to public interest. The fleet has already taken the directed fishing allowance for Greenland turbot. Further delay would only result in overharvest and disrupt the FMP's objective of allowing incidental catch to be retained throughout the year. NMFS finds for good cause that the implementation of this action cannot be delayed for 30 days. Accordingly, under 5 U.S.C. 553(d), a delay in the effective date is hereby waived.

This action is required by § 679.20 and is exempt from review under E.O. 12866.

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

Dated: July 22, 1997.

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

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