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Dated: January 29, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 012698A]

Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Receipt of an amendment to an application for a scientific research permit (1116).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Public Utility District No. 1 of Douglas County (PUDDC) at East Wenatchee, WA has submitted in due form an amendment to an application for a permit that would provide authorization for takes of an endangered anadromous fish species for the purpose of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments or requests for a public hearing on the amended application must be received on or before March 6, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The amended application and related documents are available for review in the following offices, by appointment:

Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401); and

Protected Resources Division, F/NWO3, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232-4169 (503-230-5400).

Written comments or requests for a public hearing should be submitted to the Chief, Protected Resources Division in Portland, OR.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom Lichatowich (503-230-5438).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: PUDDC requests a permit under the authority of section 10 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) and the NMFS regulations

governing ESA-listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-227).

On January 15, 1998, a notice was published (63 FR 2364) that NMFS received an application for a 5-year permit from PUDDC that would provide authorization for takes of juvenile, endangered, naturally-produced and artificially-propagated, upper Columbia River steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) associated with scientific research. NMFS has received an amendment to the application requesting an additional annual take of ESA-listed juvenile steelhead associated with a study designed to understand the status of juvenile salmonid migration at Wells Dam on the Columbia River in WA. ESA-listed juvenile fish are proposed to be lethally taken by fyke nets.

Those individuals requesting a hearing (see ADDRESSES) should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate. The holding of such hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in this application summary are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Dated: January 27, 1998.

Nancy I. Chu,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

Trademark Processing

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (DoC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), and by the Patent and Trademark Office (Office) in the performance of its statutory functions of examining, registering and maintaining trademarks as required by the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. 1051, *et seq.*

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 6, 1998.

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 should be directed to the attention of Nancy L. Omelko, Administrator for Petitions, at the Office of the Assistant Commissioner for Trademarks, 2900 Crystal Drive, Arlington, Va. 22202-3513, telephone number (703) 308-8910 ext. 39 or by facsimile transmission to (703) 308-9395.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Patent and Trademark Office (Office) administers the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. 1051 *et seq.*, which provides for the Federal registration of trademarks; as well as, service marks; collective trademarks and service marks; collective membership marks; and certification marks. Individuals and businesses who use their marks, or intend to use their marks, in commerce regulable by Congress, may file an application with the Office to register their mark. The mark will remain on the register for ten years. However, the registration will be canceled unless the owner files an affidavit with the Office attesting to the continued use (or excusable non-use) of the mark in commerce. The registration may be renewed for periods of ten years.

The Trademark Act mandates that each register entry contain the mark; the goods and/or services that the mark is used in connection with; identifying ownership information; dates of use; and certain other information. The Office also provides similar information concerning pending applications. The register and pending application information may be accessed by an individual, or by businesses, to determine availability of a mark. By accessing the Office's information, potential trademark owners may reduce the possibility of initiating use of a mark previously adopted by another. The Federal Trademark Registration process serves to reduce the filing of papers in court and between parties.

II. Method of Collection

By mail, facsimile, or electronic transmission. A pilot program is currently in progress to study the use of electronic technology in filing trademark/service mark applications. After evaluation of the pilot, the Office will implement a full-scale program to accept trademark/service mark registration applications filed electronically by the public. At this stage, only the intent-to-use and use-based trademark/service mark

registration applications are being accepted electronically. In time, the electronic filing may be expanded to include other forms. The time estimates shown for the electronic forms in this notice are based on the average amount of time needed to complete and electronically file a trademark/service mark application. The estimated number of annual responses are a projection of how many electronic applications are expected to be filed per year.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0651-0009.
Type of Review: Renewal with change.
Affected Public: Individuals or households, businesses or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions, farms, state, local or tribal governments, and the Federal Government. The forms are used by potential trademark owners and trademark practitioners. However, use of the forms is not mandatory and many law firms and corporations develop their own forms. The information collected is a matter of public record, and is used by the public for a variety

of private business purposes related to establishing and enforcing trademark rights. This information is important to the public, since both common law trademark owners and Federal trademark registrants must actively protect their own rights.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 302,818.

Estimated Time Per Response: 10 to 45 minutes, depending on the form.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 112,887 hours per year.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost Burden: \$11,570,918 per year.

Title of form	Form No(s).	Estimated time for response (minutes)	Est. annual burden hours	Est. annual responses
*Intent-to-Use trademark/service mark registration applications	1478, 1478(a), 4.8&4.9	20	37,857	114,719
*Electronic Intent-to-Use trademark/service mark registration application	TBD	18	18	60
*Use-Based trademark/service mark registration applications	1478,1478(a),4.8&4.9	30	38,230	76,459
*Electronic Use-Based trademark/service mark registration application	TBD	27	27	60
Allegation of Use for Intent-To-Use Application	1553	20	8,652	26,218
Request for Extension of Time to File a Statement of Use ...	1581	10	8,141	47,887
Affidavits of Use/Combined Declaration of Use and Incontestability	PTO-FB-TM205/TM209	30	10,391	20,781
Application for Renewal	PTO-FB-TM201	30	3,360	6,720
Amendments/Corrections/Surrenders	No Forms Associated.	30	2,449	4,898
Opposition to the Registration of a Mark	4-17a	45	3,762	5,016
Totals	112,887	302,818

*The same application is used for both types of registration; however, different information is required.

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.

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Dated: January 30, 1998.
Linda Engelmeier,
Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.
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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of an Import Limit for Certain Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Egypt

January 29, 1998.
AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting a limit.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 4, 1998.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Helen L. LeGrande, International Trade

Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of this limit, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port or call (202) 927-5850. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The current limit for Category 448 is being increased by recrediting unused carryforward.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 62 FR 66057, published on December 17, 1997). Also