

Antarctic fur seal (*Arctocephalus gazella*) females captured for tooth extraction for age determination studies.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric
Administration**

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**Marine Mammals; Permit No. 982 (File
No. P254D)**

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that
Permit No. 982, issued to the Pacific
Whale Foundation, 101 N. Kihei Road,
Kihei, Maui, Hawaii 96753, was
amended.

ADDRESSES: The amendment and related
documents are available for review
upon written request or by appointment
in the following offices:

Permits and Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, NMFS,
1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130
Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-
2289);

Regional Administrator, Southwest
Region, National Marine Fisheries
Service, NOAA, 501 West Ocean
Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA
90802-4213 (562/980-4001); and

Protected Resources Program
Manager, Pacific Islands Area Office,
NOAA, NMFS, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd.,
Suite 1110, Honolulu, HI 96822-2396
(808/973-2937).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Jeannie Drevenak or Trevor Spradlin,
301/713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The
subject amendment has been issued
under the authority of the Marine
Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as
amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the
provisions of § 216.39 of the Regulations
Governing the Taking and Importing of
Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the
Endangered Species Act of 1973, as
amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*),
and the provisions of § 222.25 of the
regulations governing the taking,
importing, and exporting of endangered
fish and wildlife (50 CFR part 222).

Permit No. 982 authorizes the
harassment of humpback whales
(*Megaptera novaeangliae*) during the
conduct of observational and photo-
identification studies in Hawaii waters.
This amendment changes the expiration
date of the permit to September 13,
1999.

Dated: December 223, 1999.

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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING
COMMISSION**

**Applications of the Chicago Mercantile
Exchange for Designation as a
Contract Market in South Eastern,
South Western and Western Oriented
Strand Board Futures and Options**

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading
Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of terms
and conditions of proposed commodity
futures and options contracts.

SUMMARY: The Chicago Mercantile
Exchange (CME or Exchange) has
applied for designation as a contract
market in South Eastern Oriented
Strand Board, South Western Oriented
Strand Board and Western Oriented
Strand Board futures and options. The
proposals were submitted under the
Commission's 45-day Fast Track
procedures. The Acting Director of the
Division of Economic Analysis
(Division) of the Commission, acting
pursuant to the authority delegated by
Commission Regulation 140.96, has
determined that publication of the
proposals for comment is in the public
interest, will assist the Commission in
considering the views of interested
persons, and is consistent with the
purpose of the Commodity Exchange
Act.

DATE: Comments must be received on or
before January 14, 2000.

ADDRESS: Interested persons should
submit their views and comments to
Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity
Futures Trading Commission, Three
Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW,
Washington, DC 20581. In addition,
comments may be sent by facsimile
transmission to facsimile number (202)
418-5521 or by electronic mail to
secretary@cftc.gov. Reference should be
made to the CME Oriented Strand Board
(OSB) futures and option contracts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:
Please contact John Forkkio of the

Division of Economic Analysis,
Commodity Futures Trading
Commission, Three Lafayette Centre,
1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC
(202) 418-5281. Facsimile number:
(202) 418-5527. Electronic mail:
jforkkio@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The
designation applications were submitted
pursuant to the Commission's Fast
Track procedures for streamlining the
review of futures contract rule
amendments and new contract
approvals (62 FR 10434). Under those
procedures, the proposals, absent any
contrary action by the Commission, may
be deemed approved at the close of
business on February 7, 2000, 45 days
after receipt of the proposals. In view of
the limited review period under the Fast
Track procedures, the Commission has
determined to publish for public
comment notice of the availability of the
terms and conditions for 15 days, rather
than 30 days as provided for proposals
submitted under the regular review
procedures.

Copies of the terms and conditions
will be available for inspection at the
Office of the Secretariat, Commodity
Futures Trading Commission, Three
Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW,
Washington, DC 20581. Copies of the
proposed amendments can be obtained
through the Office of the Secretariat by
mail at the above address, by phone at
(202) 418-5100, or via the internet on
the CFTC website at www.cftc.gov
under "What's New & Pending".

Other materials submitted by the CME
in support of the applications for
contract market designation may be
available upon request pursuant to the
Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C.
552) and the Commission's regulations
thereunder (17 CFR Part 145 (1997)),
except to the extent they are entitled to
confidential treatment as set forth in 17
CFR 145.5 and 145.9. Requests for
copies of such materials should be made
to the FOI, Privacy and Sunshine Act
Compliance Staff of the Office of
Secretariat at the Commission's
headquarters in accordance with 17
C.F.R. 145.7 and 145.8.

Any person interested in submitting
written data, views, or arguments on the
proposed terms and conditions, or with
respect to other materials submitted by
the CME, should send such comments
to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity
Futures Trading Commission, Three
Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW,
Washington, DC 20581 by the specified
date.