

a significant increase in risk of childhood thyroid cancer at exposures of 5 cGy or greater.

The recommendations in the draft guidance were prepared by scientists from the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research and from the Center for Devices and Radiological Health of FDA in consultation with other governmental experts.

This draft guidance is being issued consistent with FDA's good guidance practices (65 FR 56468, September 19, 2000). The draft guidance represents the agency's current thinking on use of potassium iodide as a thyroid blocking agent in radiation emergencies. It does not create or confer any rights for or on any person and does not operate to bind FDA or the public. An alternative approach may be used if such approach satisfies the requirements of the applicable statutes and regulations.

Interested persons may submit to the Dockets Management Branch (address above) written comments on the draft guidance. Two copies of any comments are to be submitted, except that individuals may submit one copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. The draft guidance and received comments are available for public examination in the Dockets Management Branch between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Dated: December 26, 2000.

Margaret M. Dotzel,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

Endangered Species

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*). Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Applicant: Mitchel Kalmanson, Maitland, Florida, PRT-034041.

The applicant request a permit to export 4.8 captive born tigers (*Panthera tigris*) to Juan M. L. Salazar aka Johnny Lam, Mexico for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through propagation.

Applicant: Institute for the Conservation of Tropical Environments, Stony Brook, NY, PRT-035632.

The applicant request a permit to import biological samples of diademmed sifka (*Propithecus diadema*), lesser bamboo lemur (*Hapalemur griseus*), golden bamboo lemur (*Hapalemur aureus*), and greater bamboo lemur (*Hapalemur simus*) for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through scientific research. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant for a period of five years.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife has information collection approval from OMB through February 28, 2001. OMB Control Number 1018-0093. Federal Agencies may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a current valid OMB control number.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); Fax: (703/358-2281).

Dated: December 29, 2000.

Anna Barry,

Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological survey

Request for Public Comments on Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

A request extending the collection of information listed below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). Copies of the proposed collection of information and

related forms may be obtained by contacting the USGS Clearance Officer at the phone number listed below. OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection but may respond after 30 days; therefore, public comments should be submitted to OMB within 30 days in order to assure their maximum consideration. Comments and suggestions on the requirement should be made directly to the Desk Officer for the Interior Department, Office of Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503 and to the USGS Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 807 National Center, Reston, VA 20192.

As required by OMB regulations at CFR 1320.8(d)(1), the U.S. Geological Survey solicits specific public comments regarding the proposed information collection as to:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the USGS, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the USGS estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. The utility, quality, and clarity of the information to be collected; and,
4. How to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Title: Production Estimate, Quarterly Construction Sand and Gravel and Crushed and Broken Stone.

Current OMB approval number: 1028-0065.

Abstract: The collection is required to provide data on mineral production for annual reports published by commodity for use by Government agencies, industry, education programs, and the general public. One publication is the "Mineral Commodity Summaries," the first preliminary publication to furnish estimates covering the previous year's nonfuel mineral industry.

Bureau form numbers: 9-4042-A and 9-4124-A.

Frequency: Quarterly and Annual.

Description of respondents: Producers of industrial minerals and metals.

Annual Responses: 3,450.

Annual burden hours: 742.

Bureau clearance officer: John Cordyack, 703-648-7313.

John H. DeYoung, Jr.,

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