

negligible impact on the seal and sea lion populations off the Vandenberg coast and on the Northern Channel Islands.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit 1387.

SUMMARY: Notice is given that NMFS has issued permit 1387 to Thomas Gaffney, Special Agent of the NMFS Office of Law Enforcement in Santa Maria, California, that authorizes takes of Endangered Species Act-listed anadromous fish species for enhancement purposes (rescue and salvage), subject to certain conditions set forth in this document.

ADDRESSES: The applications and related documents are available for review in the following office, by appointment: Protected Resources Division, NMFS, 777 Sonoma Avenue, Room 325, Santa Rosa, California 95404-6528.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Logan, Protected Resources Division, NMFS, Santa Rosa, California, (707) 575-6053, or e-mail: dan.logan@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Species Covered in this Notice

The following species and evolutionarily significant units (ESUs) are covered in this notice: Southern California steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) ESU.

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such issuance (1) was applied for in good faith; (2) would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species which are the subject of the permit; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA. This permit was issued in accordance with, and is subject to, part 222 of title 50 CFR, the NMFS'

regulations governing listed species permits.

Thomas Gaffney has monitored water quality in Mission Creek and has noted that conditions are deteriorating rapidly and that the stream is drying. Gaffney, having observed steelhead in residual pools in the stream, and dead steelhead in some pools, believes that the remaining live steelhead cannot leave the pools and will perish without intervention. The NMFS SWR believes that, because the health and life of the animals are in danger, the issuance of permit 1387 is an urgent action and sufficient to qualify as an emergency situation consistent with CFR 222.303(g).

Permit Issued

Permit 1387 was issued on May 22, 2002. This permit includes the following take limits: (1) Thomas Gaffney is authorized to rescue up to 250 ESA-listed juvenile Southern California steelhead from habitat areas where conditions are likely to result in imminent mortality; (2) Thomas Gaffney is authorized to transport and release rescued steelhead into NMFS-approved habitat areas within the same watershed where the chance of long-term survival is increased; (3) Thomas Gaffney is authorized to take tissue samples from all rescued fish; and (4) the expiration date of Permit 1387 is December 31, 2002.

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Phil Williams,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket No. 24-2002]

Foreign-Trade Zone 93—Raleigh/Durham, NC, Application for Foreign-Trade Subzone Status, General Electric Aircraft Engines (Gas Turbine Engines), Research Triangle Park/Durham, NC

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade-Zones Board (the Board) by the Triangle J Council of Governments, grantee of FTZ 93, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the manufacturing and distribution facilities (gas turbine engines) of General Electric Aircraft Engines (GEAE) in Research Triangle Park/Durham, North Carolina. The application was submitted pursuant to

the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally filed on May 28, 2002.

The GEAE facilities are located at 3701 South Miami Boulevard, Research Triangle Park/Durham, North Carolina (six buildings/513,273 square feet on 512 acres). The facilities (150 employees) are used for the development, manufacture, and distribution of gas turbine engines and engine parts for aerospace, marine, and industrial applications. Foreign-source materials account for approximately 10 to 20 percent of finished-product value, and may include items from the following categories: plastic or rubber tubes, plates, and other articles; fiberglass sheets; stainless steel wire; iron or steel tubes or fittings; stranded wire products; iron or steel fasteners; nickel or nickel-alloy products; aluminum wire and fittings; cobalt mattes; titanium nuts, bolts, screws, tubes, sleeves, and bars; articles of chromium and rhenium; base metal fittings, tubing, and stoppers; pumps for liquids and parts thereof; heat exchange units; centrifuges; valves and parts thereof; bearings and parts thereof; transmission shafts and parts thereof; gaskets; electric motors; electrical inductors and ignition equipment; signaling equipment; electrical switches and relays; insulated wire and cable; ceramic insulators; counters and other instruments; measuring or checking instruments; and lamps and lighting fittings.

Zone procedures would exempt GEAE from Customs duty payments on foreign materials used in production for export. On domestic sales, the company would be able to choose the duty rates that apply to the finished products (duty-free to 2.5%) rather than the duty rates that would otherwise apply to the foreign-sourced materials noted above (duty-free to 15%). In addition, GEAE states that it would realize logistical/procedural and other benefits. The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures will help improve the plant's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board. Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at one of the following addresses:

1. Submissions Via Express/Package Delivery Services: Foreign-Trade-Zones