

analyze any comments received and, if appropriate * * * correct any ministerial error by amending * * * the final results of review. * * *” After reviewing POSCO’s allegations, we have determined in accordance with section 351.224 of the Department’s regulations, that the final results of review include the ministerial error discussed below.

Comment 1: L-Grade Adjustment for Models Sold Exclusively in the United States

POSCO contends that the Department made an error in merging the cost of production (“COP”) and constructive value (“CV”) files that failed to implement its stated decision in the final results of review to apply the minor corrections to the L-grade adjustment reported at verification to those models sold exclusively in the United States. As a result, POSCO claims that certain models sold exclusively in the U.S. market did not have variable or total cost of manufacturing (“VCOM” or “TCOM”) applied to them during the model match

sequence of the computer program. Consequently, these models did not find an appropriate match in the home market and were compared to CV in error for the final results of review.

To correct this error, POSCO proposed a number of programming changes: (1) Insert language creating a duplicate cost file for the U.S. sales; (2) create the VCOM and TCOM information for the U.S. sales before merging the cost files with the home market sales files; and, (3) delete the calculation of VCOM and TCOM after the merge of the COP and home market sales databases. See POSCO’s February 10, 2003 ministerial error allegation letter.

Department’s Position

We agree with POSCO that the program used in the final results of review failed to correctly apply the L-grade adjustment to the models sold exclusively in the United States, and therefore, to determine the appropriate model matches for the final results of review. However, our analysis reveals

that POSCO erroneously equated the total cost of production in the United States (“TCOMU”) with the total cost of manufacturing rather than the total cost of production, thereby omitting selling, general and administrative expenses (SG&A) from the calculation of TCOMU. Therefore, we have revised our calculations to appropriately merge the COP and CV files, and to correctly calculate TCOMU. See *Analysis memorandum for the amended final results of review for stainless steel sheet and strip in coils from Korea—Pohang Iron and Steel Company (“POSCO”)* dated March 6, 2003.

Amended Final Results

We are amending the final results of the administrative review on SSSS from the Republic of Korea covering the period July 1, 2000, through June 30, 2001, pursuant to section 751(h) of the Act. As a result of this redetermination, the recalculated final weighted-average margin for POSCO is as follows:

Exporter/manufacturer	Weighted average margin in the final (percent)	Revised weighted average margin (percent)
POSCO98	.92

The cash deposit rate for POSCO of 0.92 percent ad valorem is effective on all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of this notice, and will remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

Accordingly, the Department will determine, and the Customs Service will assess, antidumping duties on all entries of subject merchandise from POSCO during the period July 1, 2000, through June 30, 2001, in accordance with this amended final results.

This amended final results and notice are in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)) and section 351.221 of the Department’s regulations.

Dated: March 4, 2003.

Faryar Shirzad,
Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 031003A]

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Application for Commercial Fisheries Authorization Under Section 118 of the Marine Mammal Protection Act

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before May 12, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625,

14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Patricia Lawson, 301–713–2322, or at Patricia.Lawson@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) requires any commercial fisher operating in a Category I or II fishery to register for a certificate of authorization that will allow the fisher to take marine mammals incidental to commercial fishing operations. Category I and II fisheries are those identified by NOAA as having either frequent or occasional takings of marine mammals.

II. Method of Collection

A paper form is used.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648–0293.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations, individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 12,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 15 minutes for a new application, and 9 minutes for a renewal application.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,800.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$304,440.

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.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 7, 2003.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 022103F]

Marine Mammals; File No. 876-1402

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Howard C. Rosenbaum, Ph.D. and Robert DeSalle, Ph.D., American Museum of Natural History, Molecular Systematics Laboratory, 79th St. & Central Park West, New York, New York 10024, has been issued an amendment to scientific research Permit No. 876-1402-00 to extend the expiration date through June 30, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The amendment and related documents are available for review

upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s): Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)713-0376; and Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-2298; phone (978)281-9200; fax (978)281-9371.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jennifer Skidmore or Ruth Johnson, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The requested amendment has been granted under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the provisions of 50 CFR 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.*), the provisions of the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222-226).

Issuance of this amendment, as required by the ESA was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: March 7, 2003.

Stephen L. Leathery,

Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

Title: Customer Input—Patent and Trademark Customer Surveys.

Form Number(s): Form numbers will be determined as applicable for the various surveys.

Agency Approval Number: 0651-0038.

Type of Request: Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Burden: 3,100 hours annually.

Number of Respondents: 8,100 responses per year.

Avg. Hours Per Response: Based on results from testing the various types of surveys with the representative customer groups and with internal test groups, the USPTO estimates that it takes the public 15 minutes to complete telephone surveys and face-to-face interviews, 5 minutes to complete questionnaires, customer surveys (both paper and electronic), and comment cards, and 2 hours to participate in focus groups. The USPTO estimates that it takes the public 30 minutes to complete the paper version of the annual patent and annual trademark customer satisfaction surveys, but only 20 minutes to complete the same survey electronically.

Needs and Uses: The public uses the various types of surveys to express their opinions about the services and information products offered by the USPTO and about the quality of the customer service that they receive from the USPTO. Additionally, these various surveys allow the public to offer their suggestions and comments concerning the USPTO, its services and information products, and its customer service. Depending on the type of survey, the public can provide their comments on the spot to the interviewer, or complete the survey at their own pace and either mail their responses to the USPTO or submit their responses electronically via a web-based survey. The USPTO uses the data collected from these surveys for strategic planning, the allocation of resources, the establishment of performance goals, and the verification and establishment of service standards. The USPTO also uses this data to assess customer satisfaction with USPTO products and services, assess customer priorities in service characteristics, and identify areas where service levels differ from customer expectations.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit, and not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Susan K. Brown, Records Officer, Office of Data Architecture and Services, Data Administration Division, USPTO, Suite