

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 June 10, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, DOC Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Marna Dove, BIS ICB Liaison, (202) 482-5211, Department of Commerce, Room 6622, 14th & Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This form is used by BIS seminar instructors at seminar programs throughout the year. Seminar participants are asked to fill out the evaluation form during the program and turn it in at the end of the program. The responses to these questions provide useful and practical information that BIS can use to determine that it is providing a quality program and gives BIS information useful to making recommended improvements. It also shows attendees that BIS cares about their training experience and values their viewpoint. The gathering of performance measures is also essential in meeting the agency's responsibilities specified in the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA).

II. Method of Collection

Survey

III. Data

OMB Number: 0694-0125.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission for extension of a currently approved collection.

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

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,900.

Estimated Time Per Response: 10 minutes per response.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 650.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: No capital expenditures are 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.

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

Dated: April 7, 2003.

Madeleine Clayton,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-412-803]

Industrial Nitrocellulose from the United Kingdom: Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 11, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michele Mire or Howard Smith, AD/CVD Enforcement, Office 4, Group II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-4711 and (202) 482-5193, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On July 1, 2002, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on industrial nitrocellulose from the United Kingdom

covering the period July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002 (67 FR 44172, 44173).

On August 19, 2002, pursuant to requests by petitioner, Green Tree Chemical Technologies, Inc. (Green Tree), and respondent, Imperial Chemical Industries PLC (ICI), the Department initiated an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on industrial nitrocellulose from the United Kingdom for the period July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002 (67 FR 55000, August 27, 2002). On October 1, 2002, Green Tree withdrew its request for an administrative review. On March 20, 2003, ICI withdrew its request for an administrative review.

Rescission of Review

Section 351.213(d)(1) of the Department's regulations provides that a party that requests an administrative review may withdraw the request within 90 days after the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested administrative review. Section 351.213(d)(1) also provides that the Department may extend the 90-day time limit for parties to withdraw their requests that the Department conduct administrative reviews. On October 1, 2002, and March 20, 2003, Green Tree and ICI, respectively, submitted letters withdrawing their requests that the Department conduct an administrative review of the period July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002. Although ICI withdrew its request for the review after the 90-day period had expired, the Department is rescinding the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on industrial nitrocellulose from the United Kingdom for the period July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002, because both parties who requested administrative reviews have withdrawn their requests, and it is otherwise reasonable to rescind the review. This action is consistent with the Department's practice. *See e.g., Frozen Concentrated Orange Juice From Brazil; Final Results and Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 67 FR 40913 (June 14, 2002) where, pursuant to a request filed after the 90-day deadline, the Department rescinded the review with respect to one respondent because the review of that respondent had not progressed beyond a point where it would have been unreasonable to grant the request for rescission.

This notice is in accordance with section 777(i)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: March 28, 2003.

Holly A. Kuga,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 031703A]

Small Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Marine Seismic Testing in the Northern Gulf of Mexico

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

ACTION: Notice of receipt of application and proposed authorization for a small take exemption; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS has received an application from the Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory (LDEO) for an Incidental Harassment Authorization (IHA) to take small numbers of marine mammals, by harassment, incidental to conducting calibration measurements of its seismic array in the northern Gulf of Mexico (GOM). Under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is requesting comments on its proposal to issue a small take authorization to LDEO to incidentally take, by harassment, small numbers of several species of cetaceans for a short period of time within the next 12 months.

DATES: Comments and information must be received no later than May 12, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the application should be addressed to the Chief, Marine Mammal Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3225, or by telephoning the contact listed here. A copy of the application, and/or the Environmental Assessment (EA), which contain the list of references used in this document, may be obtained by writing to this address or by telephoning the contact listed here. Comments cannot be accepted if submitted via e-mail or the Internet.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kenneth R. Hollingshead, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, (301) 713-2055, ext 128.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Sections 101(a)(5)(A) and (D) of the MMPA ((16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) directs the Secretary of Commerce to allow, upon request, the incidental, but not intentional, taking of marine mammals by U.S. citizens who engage in a specified activity (other than commercial fishing) within a specified geographical region if certain findings are made and either regulations are issued or, if the taking is limited to harassment, a notice of a proposed authorization is provided to the public for review.

Permission may be granted if NMFS finds that the taking will have a negligible impact on the species or stock(s) and will not have an unmitigable adverse impact on the availability of the species or stock(s) for subsistence uses and that the permissible methods of taking and requirements pertaining to the monitoring and reporting of such takings are set forth. NMFS has defined "negligible impact" in 50 CFR 216.103 as "...an impact resulting from the specified activity that cannot be reasonably expected to, and is not reasonably likely to, adversely affect the species or stock through effects on annual rates of recruitment or survival."

Subsection 101(a)(5)(D) of the MMPA established an expedited process by which citizens of the United States can apply for an authorization to incidentally take small numbers of marine mammals by harassment. Under section 18(A), the MMPA defines "harassment" as:

any act of pursuit, torment, or annoyance which (i) has the potential to injure a marine mammal or marine mammal stock in the wild; or (ii) has the potential to disturb a marine mammal or marine mammal stock in the wild by causing disruption of behavioral patterns, including, but not limited to, migration, breathing, nursing, breeding, feeding, or sheltering.

(B) The term "Level A harassment" means harassment described in subparagraph (A)(i).

(C) The term "Level B harassment" means harassment described in subparagraph (A)(ii).

Subsection 101(a)(5)(D) establishes a 45-day time limit for NMFS review of an application followed by a 30-day public notice and comment period on any proposed authorizations for the incidental harassment of small numbers of marine mammals. Within 45 days of the close of the comment period, NMFS must either issue or deny issuance of the authorization.

Summary of Request

On February 24, 2003, NMFS received an application from LDEO for the taking, by harassment, of several species of marine mammals incidental to

conducting calibration measurements of its seismic array in the northern GOM. The LDEO plans to measure sound levels from each of the airgun arrays that will be used during their seismic survey programs during future studies. These measurements will be made in shallow, shelf slope, and deep waters in the GOM during late May and/or June 2003, but may be rescheduled. The purpose of these measurements is to verify estimates of sound fields around the airgun arrays that have been made using LDEO acoustical models. Verification of the output from these models is needed to confirm the distances from the airguns (safety radii) within which mitigation may be necessary to avoid exposing marine mammals to airgun sounds at received levels exceeding established limits, e.g. the 180 and 190 dB re 1 μ Pa (rms) limits set for cetaceans and pinnipeds, respectively. The measurements will also verify the distances at which the sounds diminish below other lower levels that may be assumed to characterize the zone where disturbance is possible or likely.

The data to be collected during this project can be used to develop a better understanding of the impact of man-made acoustic sources on marine mammals. There is a paucity of calibrated data on levels of man-made sounds in relation to the differing responses of marine mammals to these sources. The planned project will obtain the first calibrated measurements of the *R/V Maurice Ewing's* (Ewing) acoustic sources across a broad range of frequencies from 1 Hz to 25 kHz, and for various configurations of the Ewing's airgun array. Calibration experiments will be conducted in the shallow, shelf slope, and deep water of the GOM to quantify the differences in sound attenuation in relation to water depth. Once calibration measurements have been made, they will be used to model the full propagation field of the Ewing in varying geographical settings. This modeling will provide data needed to help minimize any potential risk to marine mammals during future seismic surveys.

Description of Activity

The proposed seismic sound measurements will involve one vessel, the *Ewing*. It will deploy and retrieve a spar buoy that will record received airgun sounds, and it will tow the airgun arrays whose sounds will be measured at various distances from the buoy. The *Ewing* will deploy two different airgun arrays in each of the three water depths where measurement will be made. One array will be a 20-