

Summary of the Application

Applicant: AmRus Ventures, Inc., 3834 Ednor Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21218.

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Application No.: 04-00004.

Date Deemed Submitted: October 15, 2004.

Members (in Addition to Applicant): None.

AmRus Ventures, Inc. seeks a Certificate to cover the following specific Export Trade, Export Markets, and Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operations.

Export Trade

1. Products

All products.

2. Services

All services.

3. Technology Rights

Technology Rights, including, but not limited to, patents, trademarks, copyrights and trade secrets that relate to Products and Services.

4. Export Trade Facilitation Services (as They Relate to the Export of Products, Services and Technology Rights)

Export Trade Facilitation Services, including, but not limited to, professional services and assistance relating to: Government relations; state and federal export programs; foreign trade and business protocol; consulting; market research and analysis; collection of information on trade opportunities; marketing; negotiations; joint ventures; shipping and export management; export licensing; advertising; documentation and services related to compliance with customs requirements; insurance and financing; trade show exhibitions; organizational development; management and labor strategies; transfer of technology; transportation services; and the formation of shippers' associations.

Export Markets

The Export Markets include all parts of the world except the United States (the fifty states of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands).

Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operation

AmRus Ventures, Inc. may:

1. Provide and/or arrange for the provision of Export Trade Facilitation Services;

2. Engage in promotion and marketing activities and collect information on trade opportunities in the Export Markets and distribute such information to clients;

3. Enter into exclusive and/or non-exclusive licensing and/or sales agreements with Suppliers for the export of Products, Services, and/or Technology Rights in the Export Markets;

4. Enter into exclusive or non-exclusive agreements with distributors and/or sales representatives in Export Markets;

5. Allocate export sales or divide the Export Markets among Suppliers for the sale and/or licensing of Products, Services, and/or Technology Rights;

6. Allocate export orders among Suppliers;

7. Establish the price of Products, Services, and/or Technology Rights for sale and/or licensing in the Export Markets;

8. Negotiate, enter into, and/or manage licensing agreements for the export of Technology Rights;

9. Enter into contracts for shipping; and

10. Exchange information on a one-to-one basis with individual Suppliers regarding inventories and near-term production schedules for the purpose of determining the availability of Products for export and coordinating export with distributors.

Definition

1. "Supplier" means a person who produces, provides, or sells Products, Service and/or Technology Rights.

Dated: October 18, 2004.

Jeffrey Anspacher,

Director, Export Trading Company Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Marine Mammals; File No. 1072-1771

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

ACTION: Receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Dr. Colleen Reichmuth Kastak, Long Marine Laboratory, Institute of Marine Science,

University of California at Santa Cruz, 100 Schaffer Road, Santa Cruz, CA 95060, has applied in due form for a permit to conduct research on captive pinnipeds.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or e-mail comments must be received on or before November 22, 2004.

ADDRESSES: The application 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 Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213; phone (562)980-4001; fax (562)980-4018.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301)713-0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period.

Comments may also be submitted by e-mail. The mailbox address for providing email comments is *NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov*. Include in the subject line of the e-mail comment the following document identifier: File No. 1072-1771.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Sloan or Tammy Adams, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The proposed research involves a continuation of studies designed to evaluate hearing and visual sensitivity, memory, and learning capabilities of up to seven captive pinnipeds (three California sea lions, *Zalophus californianus*; two Pacific harbor seals, *Phoca vitulina*; and two Northern elephant seals, *Mirounga angustirostris*). Animals would be trained using positive reinforcement and would voluntarily participate in up to three

experimental sessions per day, up to seven days per week annually at Long Marine Laboratory. This research would improve knowledge of pinniped sensory adaptations, examine mechanisms for acquiring and processing sensory information, and develop procedures for rapidly and humanely studying marine mammal hearing and the effects of anthropogenic noise. These efforts would support research priorities for marine mammals that have been identified by the National Research Council. The permit has been requested for a 5-year period. In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: October 19, 2004.

Stephen L. Leathery,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Business Board; Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Business Board (DBB) will meet in open session on Wednesday, November 17, 2004, at the Pentagon, Washington, DC from 1000 until 1145. The mission of the DBB is to advise the Senior Executive Council (SEC) and the Secretary of Defense on effective strategies for implementation of best business practices of interest to the Department of Defense. At this meeting, the Board's Acquisition, Human Resources, and Financial Management related task groups will deliberate on their preliminary findings and recommendations related to tasks assigned earlier this year.

DATES: Wednesday, November 17, 2004, 1000 to 1145 hrs.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Members of the public who wish to

attend the meeting must contact the Defense Business Board no later than Wednesday, November 10th for further information about admission as seating is limited. Additionally, those who wish to make oral comments or deliver written comments should also request to be scheduled, and submit a written text of the comments by Wednesday, November 10th to allow time for distribution to the Board members prior to the meeting. Individual oral comments will be limited to five minutes, with the total oral comment period not exceeding thirty minutes.

The DBB may be contacted at: Defense Business Board, 1100 Defense Pentagon, room 2E314, Washington, DC 20301-1100, via e-mail at DBB@osd.pentagon.mil, or via phone at (703) 614-8586.

Jeannette Owings-Ballard,
OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1 (DAPE-TT), DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of the Army announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by December 21, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Department of the Army, U.S.

Military Academy, Institutional Research & Analysis, Office of Policy, Planning & Analysis, ATTN: (Dr. William Burke), West Point, New York 10966-5000. Consideration will be given to all comments received within 60 days of the date of publication of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call Department of the Army Reports clearance officer at (703) 325-8433.

Title and OMB Number: West Point Engineering Graduates Surveys; OMB Control Number 0702-0116.

Needs and Uses: An assessment of perceptions of graduates on the effectiveness of the U.S. Military Academy programs and curricula is needed for periodic accreditation by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology. The information collected will be used to evaluate programs/ curricula and make changes deemed advisable.

Affected Public: Individual or Households.

Annual Burden Hours: 218.

Number of Respondents: 519.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 25 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion (Every Three Years).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

The information will be collected via seven surveys, each with content appropriate to graduates of engineering and engineering related courses of study at the U.S. Military Academy. The surveys will go to graduates currently serving as officers in the U.S. Army and to graduates not currently serving. Respondents will be allowed to choose between completing a mailed survey or an Internet-based survey.

Dated: October 15, 2004.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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