

requested an administrative review of the sales for the above-mentioned period made by Kanzen Tetsu Sdn. Bhd. (Kanzen) and Sapura-Schulz. On April 5, 2006, the Department published a notice of initiation of an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel butt-weld pipe fittings from Malaysia with respect to Sapura-Schulz and Kanzen. See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Deferral of Administrative Reviews*, 71 FR 25145 (April 5, 2006).

#### Rescission of Review

On June 19, 2006, Sapura-Schulz and the petitioners simultaneously withdrew their requests for an administrative review of the sales made by Sapura-Schulz during the above-referenced period. Consequently, the Department partially rescinded the review with respect to Sapura-Schulz. See *Stainless Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings From Malaysia: Notice of Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 71 FR 34304 (July 12, 2006).

On July 5, 2006, the petitioners withdrew their request for an administrative review of sales made by Kanzen. Section 351.213(d)(1) of the Department's regulations requires that the Secretary rescind an administrative review if a party requesting a review withdraws the request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation. In this case, the petitioners have withdrawn their request for a review of Kanzen within the 90-day period. We have received no other submissions regarding the withdrawals of the requests for review. Therefore, we are rescinding this review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel butt-weld pipe fittings from Malaysia.

#### Assessment

The Department will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. For those companies for which this review is rescinded, antidumping duties shall be assessed at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated antidumping duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i).

The Department will issue appropriate assessment instructions directly to CBP within 15 days of publication of this notice.

products, Inc.; and Taylor Forge Stainless, Inc. (collectively, the petitioners).

#### Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

This notice serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

This notice is published in accordance with section 751 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: July 14, 2006.

**Stephen J. Claeys,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Endangered and Threatened Species: Extension of Public Comment Period on Draft Steller Sea Lion Recovery Plan

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability; extension of public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** In May 2006, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) announced the availability for public review of the draft revised recovery plan (plan) for the western and eastern distinct population segments (DPS) of Steller sea lion (*Eumetopias jubatus*). NMFS is extending the public comment period on the recovery plan until September 1, 2006.

**DATES:** Comments on the draft recovery plan must be received by close of business on September 1, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Kaja Brix, Assistant Regional Administrator, Protected Resources Division, Alaska Region, NMFS, Attn: Ellen Walsh, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802. Comments may also be submitted by (1) E-mail to [SSLRP@noaa.gov](mailto:SSLRP@noaa.gov). Include in the subject line the following document identifier: Sea Lion Recovery Plan. E-mail comments, with or without attachments, are limited to 5 megabytes; (2) hand delivery to the Federal Building; 709 W. 9th Street, Juneau, AK; or (3) Facsimile (fax) to 907-586-7012. Interested persons may obtain the plan for review from the above address or on-line from the NMFS Alaska Region website: <http://www.fakr.noaa.gov/>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shane Capron at 907-271-6620, e-mail [shane.capron@noaa.gov](mailto:shane.capron@noaa.gov); or Kaja Brix at 907-586-7235, e-mail [kaja.brix@noaa.gov](mailto:kaja.brix@noaa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On May 24, 2006, NMFS published a notice of availability (NOA) of the plan for the western and eastern DPSs of Steller sea lions (71 FR 29919). The plan contains (1) A comprehensive review of Steller sea lion status and ecology, (2) a review of previous conservation actions, (3) a threats assessment, (4) biological and recovery criteria for downlisting and delisting, (5) actions necessary for the recovery of the species, and (6) estimates of time and cost to recovery. With the publication of the NOA, NMFS announced a 60-day public comment period ending on July 24, 2006.

NMFS has received a request by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) to extend the public comment period so that its Science and Statistical Committee (SSC) can fully review and provide comments on the plan. Due to the size and scope of the plan, the SSC will not be able to provide its comments to the Council until late August. The Council will then be able to finalize the comments and provide them to NMFS by September 1. Comments from the SSC and Council will be valuable to the recovery planning process especially with regard to the threats assessment and the development of recovery criteria. In this notice NMFS is extending the public comment period until September 1, 2006, in order to allow adequate time for the SSC and others to thoroughly review and thoughtfully comment on the plan.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*

Dated: July 14, 2006.

**Marta Nammack,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; South Atlantic Snapper Grouper Fishery Off the Southern Atlantic States; Amendment 14

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

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare a draft environmental impact statement; supplement; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) is evaluating in a draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) the environmental impacts of establishing Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) for deepwater snapper grouper species in the South Atlantic exclusive economic zone (EEZ). This notice is intended to supplement a notice published January 31, 2002, announcing the preparation of a DEIS for Amendment 14 to the Fishery Management Plan (FMP).

**DATES:** Comments must be received by August 21, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the alternatives should be requested from: Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, One Southpark Circle, Suite 306, Charleston, SC 29407-4699, fax: 843-769-4520; e-mail: [kim.iverson@safmc.net](mailto:kim.iverson@safmc.net).

Comments should be sent to Mark Sramek, Southeast Regional Office, NMFS, 263 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701, phone: 727-824-5311; fax: 727-824-5308. Comments may also be submitted by email to [Mark.Sramek@noaa.gov](mailto:Mark.Sramek@noaa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; toll free 1-866-SAFMC-10 or 843-571-4366; e-mail: [kim.iverson@safmc.net](mailto:kim.iverson@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The snapper grouper fishery operating in the

South Atlantic EEZ is managed under the South Atlantic Snapper Grouper FMP, under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act).

The Council began considering use of MPAs in 1990. The Council has since held three rounds of scoping meetings and one round of informational public hearings intended to seek public input on criteria, siting, and impacts as they relate to MPAs for deepwater snapper grouper species. The Council decided to consider the implementation of deepwater MPAs in Amendment 14 to the Snapper Grouper FMP. The Notice of Intent (NOI) for the DEIS associated with FMP Amendment 14 was published in the **Federal Register** on January 31, 2002 (67 FR 4696). This NOI supplement is intended to update the public on progress of Amendment 14 and the DEIS. The Council has refined the purpose and need for MPAs and has outlined a range of alternatives for inclusion in the DEIS.

The primary purpose of implementing these MPAs is to employ a collaborative approach to identify MPA sites with the potential to protect a portion of the population and habitat of long-lived, deepwater snapper grouper species (speckled hind, snowy grouper, warsaw grouper, yellowedge grouper, misty grouper, golden tilefish, and blueline tilefish) from directed fishing pressure to achieve a more natural sex ratio, age, and size structure within the proposed MPAs, while minimizing adverse social and economic effects. MPAs are the most effective fishery management tool that allows deepwater snapper grouper species to reach their natural size and age, protects spawning locations, and provides a refuge for early developmental stages of fish species. The Council recognizes that there may be positive impacts from the designation of the proposed sites to non-deepwater species that may co-occur, such as vermilion snapper, red porgy, and gag.

The Council defines MPAs within its jurisdiction as a network of specific areas of marine environments reserved and managed for the primary purpose of aiding in the recovery of overfished stocks and to insure the persistence of healthy fish stocks, fisheries, and habitats. Such areas may be over natural or artificial bottom and may include prohibition of harvest indefinitely (i.e., an undefined time period) to accomplish needed conservation goals.

The following types of actions are available to the Council for designating MPAs. The Council is focusing on Type 2 management actions to protect

deepwater snapper grouper species in Amendment 14.

Type 1 - Permanent closure/no-take  
Type 2 - Permanent closure/some take allowed

Type 3 - Limited duration closure/no-take

Type 4 - Limited duration closure/some take allowed

The Council is also considering implementing measures to provide for on-site enforcement capabilities, including the utilization of vessel monitoring system equipment on specific categories of fishing vessels. The Council intends to request that NMFS implement regulations to prohibit the use of shark bottom longline gear within the MPAs proposed in this amendment.

The full suite of alternatives currently being considered for inclusion in the DEIS for FMP Amendment 14 can be obtained from the Council (see **ADDRESSES** for contact information).

A **Federal Register** notice will announce the availability of the DEIS associated with the amendment, as well as a 45-day public comment period, pursuant to regulations issued by the Council on Environmental Quality for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act and to NOAA's Administrative Order 216-6. The Council will consider public comments received on the DEIS in developing the FEIS, and before voting to submit the final amendment to NMFS for Secretarial review, approval, and implementation. NMFS will announce in the **Federal Register** the availability of the final amendment and FEIS for public review during the Secretarial review period and will consider all public comments prior to final agency action to approve, disapprove, or partially approve the final amendment.

**Authority:** 6 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: July 14, 2006.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals

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