

○ *Keywords (optional)*: a list of three to six keywords, indicating species, regions, research methods, or disciplinary areas of effort.

○ *Principal Investigator*: Please list only one (corresponding) principal investigator even if your proposal team consists of two or more co-equal investigators and institutions (also see instructions for Curricula Vitae, below).

○ *PI Contact Information*: Address, phone, and e-mail for the principal investigator.

○ *Financial Point of Contact*: The individual (with or without institutional affiliation, as appropriate) who will be responsible for contractual and fiscal matters. This may or may not be the same individual and institution listed as principal investigator.

○ *Financial Point of Contact Information*: address, phone, and e-mail for the financial point of contact.

• *Body of Proposal*

○ *Abstract (optional)*: Provide an abstract of the proposal summarizing the problem or question to be addressed, the methods to be used to address the problem or question, possible outcomes of the work, and the utility of the research for advancing science and management related to marine mammals. Please limit the abstract to approximately 200 words.

○ *Introduction, Background, or Problem Statement*: Provide a review of past related effort by the research team or others. Indicate knowledge gaps, shortfalls of prior efforts, or challenges to further progress and describe how the proposed effort will address these issues.

○ *Goals and Objectives*: Provide statements of both the general or broad goal of the proposed research and the specific objectives that will be addressed within the scope of this proposal to make progress toward the broader, general goal.

○ *Methods*: Provide a detailed description of the methods of the investigation so that the reviewer can understand how you will address each of the specific objectives. If you are not conducting original research but are developing a workshop, review panel or other activity, describe the nature of the activity, the planned agenda or working format, likely attendees/participants, and

○ Tentative dates and location of the planned activity.

○ *Anticipated Outcomes*: Describe the short-term outcomes and those anticipated to occur within the scope of effort and time span of the proposed project (e.g., completion of a workshop report, one or more peer-reviewed

journal articles, an equipment prototype, and report).

○ *Research and Management Utility (Long-Term Outcome)*: Describe the anticipated long-term utility of the project and its implications for future research, management, or conservation activities.

• *Budget and Time Line*: Although there is no specified format for the budget, this section should provide sufficient detail to inform the reviewer of expenses or costs by general category (salary, equipment, supplies, travel, publication, overhead, miscellaneous) and by sub-tasks within the proposed effort, as appropriate. Include information on other sources of funding for the project, if applicable. For multi-year or multi-stage projects, include a time table for completion of each phase as a means of gauging progress toward completion of the full proposed effort.

• *Curricula Vitae, Research Team Qualifications*: Provide a curriculum vitae or short biography of no more than two pages for all key members of the proposal team (those individuals whose unique background and experience are essential to completion of the project), including their experience or expertise related to the subject proposal. Although there can only be one principal investigator (see Title Page guidance), multiple co-investigators can be designated in this portion of the proposal, if desired.

• *Supporting Materials*: Supporting materials such as recent publications, short descriptions of relevant work in progress or recently completed, organization charts or time lines will be accepted, but should be limited to information absolutely essential to understanding the significance, approach and context of the proposed work. The presence or absence of supporting materials will not be a consideration in proposal evaluations. It is highly recommended that supporting materials be limited to fewer than 20 to 30 pages or 5 Mb; the more material provided, the less likely it is to be used by the reviewers in developing their evaluations.

Submission process: Proposals should be submitted electronically in MSWord, WordPerfect, or Adobe PDF format to Ms. Mina Innes, Research Program Officer, at the Marine Mammal Commission, e-mail address minnes@mmc.gov.

Timing of Submission and Review Process

15 July 2008; 5 p.m. EDT Full proposals due to the Marine Mammal Commission.

11 August 2008; 5 p.m. EDT Successful applicants informed of final Decisions.

Proposals received after the due date and time listed above will not, under any circumstances, be forwarded for review.

Inquiries: Inquiries should be directed to Dr. Robert Gisiner, Scientific Program Director, by mail (4340 East-West Highway, Room 700, Bethesda, MD 20814), phone (301-504-0087) or e-mail (bgisiner@minc.gov). Please also copy e-mail inquiries to Ms. Mina Innes (minnes@mmc.gov).

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FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

May 30, 2008.

TIME AND DATE: 10 a.m., Wednesday, June 11, 2008

PLACE: The Richard V. Backley Hearing Room, 9th Floor, 601 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The Commission will consider and act upon the following in open session: *Secretary of Labor v. Twentymile Coal Company*, Docket No. WEST 2007-892-E. (Issues include whether the Secretary properly interpreted the breathable air provisions of section 316 of the Mine Act and whether the MSHA District Manager erred in refusing to approve the operator's emergency response plan unless it provided for a refuge chamber in the main entry.)

Any person attending this meeting who requires special accessibility features and/or auxiliary aids, such as sign language interpreters, must inform the Commission in advance of those needs. Subject to 29 CFR 2706.150(a)(3) and 2706.160(d).

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFO: Jean Ellen, (202) 434-9950 / (202) 708-9300 for TDD Relay / 1-800-877-8339 for toll free.

Jean H. Ellen,

Chief Docket Clerk.

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