FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rhea Moss at 808–944–2161 (voice) or 808–973–2941 (fax).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Convention Implementation Act, the Secretary of Commerce has appointed 20 members to the WCPFC Permanent Advisory Committee. Four additional members are mandated by the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Convention Implementation Act, who are (1) the chair of the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council's Advisory Committee or the chair's designee; and (2) officials of the fisheries management authorities of American Samoa, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands (or their designees). The Committee is established to support the work of the U.S. National Section to the WCPFC in an advisory capacity with respect to U.S. participation in the WCPFC. NMFS, Pacific Islands Region, provides administrative and technical support to the Committee.

As this is the first meeting of the Permanent Advisory Committee, it will set its agenda and consider its organization, prescribe its practices and procedures, as well as elect a chairperson.

The Permanent Advisory Committee will also receive information on: (1) 2006 and 2007 WCPFC activities; (2) status of the stocks and fisheries in 2006 and 2007; (3) issues related to the development of conservation and management measures for bigeye and yellowfin tuna and other species for 2008 and beyond; (4) implementation of the WCPFC's Regional Observer Programme and Vessel Monitoring System and other compliance mechanisms; (5) issues related to the impacts of fishing on non-target, associated and dependent species, such as sea turtles, seabirds and sharks; and (6) other issues, as necessary.

Special Accommodations

The meeting location is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Rhea Moss, NMFS, 808–944–2161(voice) or 808–973–2941 (fax), at least 7 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: P.L. 109–479, Sec. 501, *et seq.*

Dated: August 28, 2008.

Emily H. Menashes,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Science Advisory Board

AGENCY: Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the NOAA Science Advisory Board. The members will discuss and provide advice on issues outlined in the agenda below.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for: September 10, 2008 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

ADDRESSES: Conference call. Public access is available at SSMC 3, Room # 12836, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Cynthia Decker, Executive Director, Science Advisory Board, NOAA, Rm. 11230, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. (Phone: 301–734–1156, Fax: 301–713–1459, *E-mail: Cynthia.Decker@noaa.gov*).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Science Advisory Board (SAB) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated September 25, 1997, and is the only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on strategies for research, education, and application of science to operations and information services. SAB activities and advice provide necessary input to ensure that National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) science programs are of the highest quality and provide optimal support to resource management.

Matters to be Considered: The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

Date and Time: September 10, 2008 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. ET.

Agenda

1. Discussion and consideration of the Draft Report on the Review of the NOAA Climate Research and Modeling Program, submitted to the SAB by the Climate Working Group.

2. SAB Strategic Planning—for future meetings and for the upcoming Administration transition.

3. Discussion and consideration of the way forward for the SAB on Oceans and Human Health.

Dated: August 27, 2008.

Mark E. Brown,

Chief Financial Officer, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Schedules for Atlantic Shark Identification Workshops and Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshops

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

ACTION: Notice of public workshops.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces free Atlantic Shark Identification Workshops and Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshops to be held in October, November, and December 2008. Certain fishermen and shark dealers are required to attend a workshop to meet new regulatory requirements and maintain valid permits. Specifically, the Atlantic Shark Identification Workshop is mandatory for all federally permitted Atlantic shark dealers. Also, the Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop is mandatory for vessel owners and operators who use bottom longline, pelagic longline, or gillnet gear, and have also been issued shark or swordfish limited access permits. Additional free workshops will be held in 2009 and announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: The Atlantic Shark Identification Workshops will be held October 9, November 6, and December 4, 2008.

The Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshops will be held October 14, November 19 and 25, and December 17, 2008.

See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for further details.

ADDRESSES: The Atlantic Shark Identification Workshops will be held in Norfolk, VA; Dania Beach, FL; and Panama City, FL.

The Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshops will be held in Kenner, LA; Kitty Hawk, NC; Indian Rocks Beach, FL; and Dedham, MA.

See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for further details on workshop locations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Greg Fairclough by phone:(727) 824–5399, or by fax: (727) 824–5398.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The workshop schedules, registration information, and a list of frequently asked questions regarding these workshops are posted on the internet at: *http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/workshops/*.

Atlantic Shark Identification Workshop

Effective December 31, 2007, an Atlantic shark dealer may not receive, purchase, trade, or barter for Atlantic shark unless a valid Atlantic Shark Identification Workshop certificate is on the premises of each business listed under the shark dealer permit (71 FR 58057; October 2, 2006). Dealers who attend and successfully complete a workshop will be issued a certificate for each place of business that is permitted to receive sharks.

Dealers may send a proxy to an Atlantic Shark Identification Workshop, however, if a dealer opts to send a proxy, the dealer must designate a proxy for each place of business covered by the dealer's permit which first receives Atlantic sharks. Only one certificate will be issued to each proxy. A proxy must be a person who: is currently employed by a place of business covered by the dealer's permit; is a primary participant in the identification, weighing, and/or first receipt of fish as they are offloaded from a vessel; and fills out dealer reports. After December 31, 2007, an Atlantic shark dealer may not renew a Federal shark dealer permit unless a valid Atlantic Shark Identification Workshop certificate for each business location which first receives Atlantic sharks has been submitted with the permit renewal application. Additionally, trucks or other conveyances which are extensions of a dealer's place of business must possess a copy of a valid dealer or proxy Atlantic Shark Identification Workshop certificate. Sixteen free Atlantic Shark Identification Workshops were held in 2007.

Workshop Dates, Times, and Locations

1. October 9, 2008, from 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., Mary D. Pretlow Anchor Branch Library, 111 W. Ocean View Avenue, Meeting Room 1, Norfolk, VA 23503.
2. November 6, 2008, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Nova Southeastern University Oceanagraphic Center, 800 North Ocean Drive, Dania Beach, FL 33004.
3. December 4, 2008, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., NMFS Panama City Laboratory, 3500 Delwood Beach Road, Panama City, FL 32408.

Registration

To register for a scheduled Atlantic Shark Identification Workshop, please contact Eric Sander by email at *esander@peoplepc.com* or by phone at (386) 852–8588.

Registration Materials

To ensure that workshop certificates are linked to the correct permits, participants will need to bring the following items to the workshop:

Atlantic shark dealer permit holders must bring proof that the individual is an agent of the business (such as articles of incorporation), a copy of the applicable permit, and proof of identification.

Atlantic shark dealer proxies must bring documentation from the shark dealer acknowledging that the proxy is attending the workshop on behalf of the Atlantic shark dealer, a copy of the appropriate permit, and proof of identification.

Workshop Objectives

The shark identification workshops are designed to reduce the number of unknown and improperly identified sharks reported in the dealer reporting form and increase the accuracy of species-specific dealer-reported information. Reducing the number of unknown and improperly identified sharks will improve quota monitoring and the data used in stock assessments. These workshops will train shark dealer permit holders or their proxies to properly identify Atlantic shark carcasses.

Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop

Effective January 1, 2007, shark limited access and swordfish limited access permit holders who fish with longline or gillnet gear, must submit a copy of their Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop certificate in order to renew either permit (71 FR 58057; October 2, 2006). As such, vessel owners who have not attended a workshop and received a NMFS certificate must attend one of the workshops offered in October, November, and December 2008 to fish with or renew either permit. Additionally, new shark and swordfish limited access permit applicants must attend a Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop and must submit a copy of their workshop certificate before such permits will be issued.

In addition to certifying permit holders, all longline and gillnet vessel operators fishing on a vessel issued a limited access swordfish or limited access shark permit are required to attend a Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop. Vessels that have been issued a limited access swordfish or limited access shark permit may not fish unless both the vessel owner and operator have valid workshop certificates. Vessel operators must possess on board the vessel valid workshop certificates for both the vessel owner and the operator at all times. Seven free Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshops were held in 2006, and 34 were held in 2007.

Workshop Dates, Times, and Locations

1. October 14, 2008, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Hilton New Orleans Airport, 901 Airline Drive, Kenner, LA 70062.
2. November 19, 2008, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Hilton Garden Inn, 5353 North Virginia Dare Trail, Kitty Hawk, NC 27949.
3. November 25, 2008, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Holiday Inn Habourside, 401 2nd Street, Indian Rocks Beach, FL 33785.
4. December 17, 2008, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Hilton Boston/Dedham, 25 Allied Drive, Dedham, MA 02026.

Registration

To register for a scheduled Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop, please contact Aquatic Release Conservation ((877) 411–4272), 1640 Mason Ave., Daytona Beach, FL 32117.

Registration Materials

To ensure that workshop certificates are linked to the correct permits, participants will need to bring the following items with them to the workshop:

Individual vessel owners must bring a copy of the appropriate permit(s), a copy of the vessel registration or documentation, and proof of identification.

Representatives of a business owned or co-owned vessel must bring proof that the individual is an agent of the business (such as articles of incorporation), a copy of the applicable permit(s), and proof of identification.

Vessel operators must bring proof of identification.

Workshop Objectives

The protected species safe handling, release, and identification workshops are designed to teach longline and gillnet fishermen the required techniques for the safe handling and release of entangled and/or hooked protected species, such as sea turtles,

marine mammals, and smalltooth sawfish. Identification of protected species will also be taught at these workshops in an effort to improve reporting. Additionally, individuals attending these workshops will gain a better understanding of the requirements for participating in these fisheries. The overall goal for these workshops is to provide participants the skills needed to reduce the mortality of protected species, which may prevent additional regulations on these fisheries in the future.

Grandfathered Permit Holders

Participants in the industry-sponsored workshops on safe handling and release of sea turtles that were held in Orlando, FL (April 8, 2005) and in New Orleans, LA (June 27, 2005) were issued a NOAA workshop certificate in December 2006 that is valid for three years. Grandfathered permit holders must include a copy of this certificate when renewing limited access shark and limited access swordfish permits each year. Failure to provide a valid NOAA workshop certificate may result in a permit denial.

Dated: August 27, 2008.

Emily H. Menashes

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COURT SERVICES AND OFFENDER SUPERVISION AGENCY FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Senior Executive Service; Performance Review Board; Members

AGENCY: Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Section 4314(c) of Title 5, U.S.C. (as amended by the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978) requires each agency to establish, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Office of Personnel Management, one or more Performance Review Boards (PRB) to review, evaluate and make a final recommendation on performance appraisals assigned to individual members of the agency's Senior Executive Service. The PRB established for the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA), including the District of Columbia Pretrial Services Agency, an independent entity within CSOSA, also makes recommendations to the agency head regarding SES performance awards, rank awards and bonuses. Section 4314(c)(4) requires that notice of appointment of Performance Review Board members be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following persons have been appointed to serve as members of the Performance Review Board for the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency: James Williams, Arthur Elkins, Clifford Keenan, and Kim Whatley from October 1, 2008, to September 30, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tonya Turner, Deputy Associate Director for Human Resources, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, 655 15th Street, NW., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20005, (202) 220–5477.

Adrienne R. Poteat,

Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Notice of Intent To Grant an Exclusive Patent License

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of Part 404 of Title 37, code of Federal Regulations, which implements Public Law 96–517, as amended, the Department of the Air Force announces its intention to grant Spectral Sciences, Inc., Incorporated in the State of Massachusetts, having a place of business at 4 Fourth Avenue, Burlington, Massachusetts 01803–3304, an exclusive license in any right, title and interest the Air Force has in:

U.S. Patent No. 5,884,226, issued 16 March 1999, titled ''System and method for modeling moderate resolution atmospheric propagation,'' by Gail P. Anderson *et al.*, that of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/838801, filed on 20 April 2001, titled ''Band model method for modeling atmospheric propagation at arbitrarily fine spectral resolution,'' by Alexander Berk *et al.*, and that of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/398696, filed on 5 April 2006, titled ''Reformulated atmospheric band model method for modeling atmospheric propagation at arbitrarily fine spectral resolution and expanded capabilities,'' by Gail P. Anderson *et al.*

DATES: A license for this patent will be granted unless a written objection is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this Notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Written objection should be sent to: James M. Skorich, Esq., 2251 Maxwell Ave., SE, 377th ABW/JAN Kirtland AFB, NM 87117–5773. Telephone: (505) 846–1542.

Bao-anh Trinh,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), announcement is made of the following committee meeting:

Name of Committee: Department of the Army Historical Advisory Committee.

Date: October 23, 2008.

Time: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Place: U.S. Army Center of Military History, Collins Hall, Building 35, 103 Third Avenue, Fort McNair, DC 20319–5058.

Proposed Agenda: Review and discussion of the status of historical activities in the United States Army.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Richard Stewart, U.S. Army Center of Military History, ATTN: DAMH–ZC, 103 Third Avenue, Fort McNair, DC 20319–5058; telephone number (202) 685–2709.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The committee will review the Army's historical activities for FY 2008 and those projected for FY 2009 based upon reports and manuscript received throughout the period. And the committee will formulate recommendations through the Chief of Military History to the Chief of Staff, Army, and the Secretary of the Army for advancing the use of history in the U.S. Army.

The meeting of the advisory committee is open to the public. Because of the restricted meeting space, however, attendance may be limited to those persons who have notified the Advisory Committee Management Office in writing at least five days prior to the meeting of their intention to attend the October 23, 2008, meeting. Notifications should be addressed to the Executive Secretary of the committee, Dr. William Stivers, at the U.S. Army