

information. The Committee will hear presentations and discuss policies and guidance on the following topics: a strategic plan for seafood safety and quality; fishery disasters; ocean acidification; fisheries sustainability monitoring and measurement; NOAA and NMFS strategic planning; Regional Fishery Management Council 5-year programmatic plans; and progress on catch share programs.

#### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mark Holliday, MAFAC Executive Director; (301) 713-2239 x120 by 5 p.m. on May 1, 2009.

Dated: April 15, 2009.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Nominations to the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee

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

**ACTION:** Notice; request for nominations.

**SUMMARY:** Nominations are being sought for appointment by the Secretary of Commerce to serve on the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC or Committee) beginning in October 2009. MAFAC is the only Federal advisory committee with the responsibility to advise the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) on all matters concerning living marine resources that are the responsibility of the Department of Commerce. The Committee makes recommendations to the Secretary to assist in the development and implementation of Departmental regulations, policies and programs critical to the mission and goals of the NMFS. Nominations are encouraged from all interested parties involved with or representing interests affected by NMFS actions in managing living marine resources. Nominees should possess demonstrable expertise in a field related to the management of living

marine resources and be able to fulfill the time commitments required for two annual meetings. Individuals serve for a term of three years for no more than two consecutive terms if re-appointed. NMFS is seeking qualified nominees to fill upcoming vacancies being created by the expiration of existing appointments this October, thereby bringing the Committee to its full complement of 21 members.

**DATES:** Nominations must be postmarked on or before June 5, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations should be sent to Dr. Mark Holliday, Executive Director, MAFAC, Office of Policy, NMFS F-14451, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mark Holliday, MAFAC Executive Director; (301) 713-2239 x120; e-mail: [Mark.Holliday@noaa.gov](mailto:Mark.Holliday@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The establishment of MAFAC was approved by the Secretary on December 28, 1970, and subsequently chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, on February 17, 1971. The Committee meets twice a year with supplementary subcommittee meetings as determined necessary by the Committee Chairperson. No less than 15 and no more than 21 individuals may serve on the Committee. Membership is comprised of highly qualified individuals representing commercial and recreational fisheries interests, environmental organizations, academic institutions, governmental, tribal and consumer groups from a balance of U.S. geographical regions, including Puerto Rico and the Western Pacific and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

A MAFAC member cannot be a Federal employee or a member of a Regional Fishery Management Council. Selected candidates must pass security checks and submit financial disclosure forms. Membership is voluntary, and except for reimbursable travel and related expenses, service is without pay.

Each submission should include the submitting person or organization's name and affiliation, a cover letter describing the nominee's qualifications and interest in serving on the Committee, a curriculum vitae and or resume of the nominee, and no more than three supporting letters describing the nominee's qualifications and interest in serving on the Committee. Self-nominations are acceptable. The following contact information should accompany each nominee's submission: name, address, phone number, fax number, and e-mail address (if available).

Nominations should be sent to (see **ADDRESSES**) and must be received by (see **DATES**). The full text of the Committee Charter and its current membership can be viewed at the NMFS' web page at [www.nmfs.noaa.gov/mafac.htm](http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/mafac.htm).

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Marine Mammals; File No. 14483

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

**ACTION:** Notice; receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Ocean World, 304 US Highway 101 South, Crescent City, California 95531, has applied in due form for a permit to import three California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*) for the purposes of public display.

**DATES:** Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before May 21, 2009

**ADDRESSES:** The application and related documents are available for review by selecting "Records Open for Public Comment" from the Features box on the Applications and Permits for Protected Species (APPS) home page, <https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov/index.cfm>, and then selecting File No. 14483 from the list of available applications.

The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

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) 427-2521; 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