

recommendation to defer measures that had previously been approved for consideration in Amendment 5 to the Monkfish Fishery Management Plan (FMP). These could include the monkfish incidental catch limits, and alternative catch share management programs. The Whiting Committee will discuss draft alternatives to be developed and analyzed in Amendment 17 to the Northeast Multispecies FMP.

### Wednesday, September 23, 2009

The Wednesday session of the Council meeting will begin with reports from the Northeast Fisheries Science Center concerning the recent Transboundary Resource Assessment Committee (TRAC) meeting results. The review will include a report on herring and the three groundfish stocks addressed through the U.S./Canada Resource Sharing Agreement (Eastern Georges Bank cod, Eastern Georges Bank haddock and Georges Bank yellowtail flounder). The Council's Scientific and Statistical Committee will provide its recommendations on: final acceptable biological catch (ABCs) and ABC control rules for groundfish, scallops, herring and red crab; and provide a corrected 2010–11 skate complex ABC value to be included in Amendment 3 to the Skate FMP (the recalculation will include the 2008 spring survey values for little skate). The Council will then address a number of groundfish management issues which will include: consideration and approval of the Transboundary Management Guidance Committee's catch recommendations for 2010 for Eastern Georges Bank cod, Eastern Georges Bank haddock and Georges Bank yellowtail flounder; Council advice on measures for the U.S./Canada area in fishing year 2010; and development of groundfish ACLs for fishing years 2010–12 (including the yellowtail flounder sub-components for the scallop fishery). Final action on the ACLs is planned for the November Council meeting. There also will be a discussion regarding a NMFS letter dated August 24, 2009 concerning Amendment 16 measures for common pool vessels (in particular, measures for GOM cod and pollock), and possible initiation of a framework action in response to the letter. This meeting will be the first framework meeting if an action is initiated.

### Thursday, September 24, 2009

On the last day of the Council meeting NMFS will present information on the most recent amendment to the Consolidated HMS FMP, an action which focuses on small coastal sharks, shortfin mako, and smooth dogfish

issues. NMFS staff will present the management measures analyzed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and the proposed rule for draft Amendment 3 to the FMP and, on behalf of the agency, will seek Council comments. The Scallop Survey Advisory Panel will report on its most recent meeting followed by a report from the Council's Scallop Committee. During that discussion, the Council will review and is expected to approve the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Scallop Amendment 15 for purposes of soliciting input at public hearings. Measures will include annual catch limit requirements, address excess capacity in the limited access scallop fishery through permit stacking and leasing alternatives, modifications to some measures for the limited access general category fishery and other measures. An update on Framework Adjustment 21 also will be provided.

Although other non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subjects of formal action during these meetings. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided that the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: August 31, 2009.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Industry and Security

[Docket No. 0908181242-91243-01]

### National Defense Stockpile Market Impact Committee Request for Public Comments on the Potential Market Impact of Proposed Stockpile Disposals for Fiscal Year 2011

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Industry and Security, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of inquiry.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to advise the public that the National Defense Stockpile Market Impact Committee, co-chaired by the Departments of Commerce and State, is seeking public comments on the potential market impact of the proposed disposal levels of excess materials for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Annual Materials Plan.

**DATES:** To be considered, written comments must be received October 5, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Address all comments concerning this notice to John Isbell, U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Industry and Security, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 3876, Washington, DC 20230, fax: (202) 482-5650 (*Attn:* John Isbell), e-mail: [MIC@bis.doc.gov](mailto:MIC@bis.doc.gov); or Peter Secor, U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Office of International Energy and Commodity Policy, Washington, DC 20520, fax: (202) 647-8758 (*Attn:* Peter Secor), or e-mail: [SecorPF@state.gov](mailto:SecorPF@state.gov).

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Newsom, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce, Telephone: (202) 482-7417.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

Under the authority of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C. 98, *et seq.*), the Department of Defense (DOD), as National Defense Stockpile Manager, maintains a stockpile of strategic and critical materials to supply the military, industrial, and essential civilian needs of the United States for national defense. Section 3314 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 1993 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) (50 U.S.C. 98h-1) formally established a Market Impact Committee (the Committee) to "advise the National Defense Stockpile Manager on the projected domestic and foreign economic effects of all acquisitions and disposals of materials from the stockpile. \* \* \*" The Committee must also balance market impact concerns with the statutory requirement to protect the Government against avoidable loss.

The Committee is comprised of representatives from the Departments of Commerce, State, Agriculture, Defense, Energy, Interior, the Treasury, and Homeland Security, and is co-chaired by the Departments of Commerce and State. The FY 1993 NDAA directs the

Committee to consult with industry representatives that produce, process, or consume the materials contained in the stockpile.

In Attachment 1, the Defense National Stockpile Center (DNSC) lists the proposed quantities that are enumerated in the stockpile inventory for the FY 2011 Annual Materials Plan. The Committee is seeking public comments on the potential market impact of the sale of these materials. Public comments are an important element of the Committee's market impact review process.

The quantities listed in Attachment 1 are not disposal or sales target quantities, but rather a statement of the proposed maximum disposal quantity of each listed material that may be sold in a particular fiscal year by the DNSC. The quantity of each material that will actually be offered for sale will depend on the market for the material at the time of the offering as well as on the quantity of each material approved for disposal by Congress.

**Submission of Comments**

The Committee requests that interested parties provide written comments, supporting data and documentation, and any other relevant information on the potential market impact of the sale of these commodities. All comments must be submitted to the address indicated in this notice. All comments submitted through e-mail must include the phrase "Market Impact Committee Notice of Inquiry" in the subject line.

The Committee encourages interested persons who wish to comment to do so at the earliest possible time. The period for submission of comments will close on October 5, 2009. The Committee will consider all comments received before the close of the comment period. Comments received after the end of the comment period will be considered, if possible, but their consideration cannot be assured.

All comments submitted in response to this notice will be made a matter of public record and will be available for public inspection and copying. Anyone

submitting business confidential information should clearly identify the business confidential portion of the submission and also provide a non-confidential submission that can be placed in the public record. The Committee will seek to protect such information to the extent permitted by law.

The Office of Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce, displays public comments on the BIS Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Web site at <http://www.bis.doc.gov/foia>. This office does not maintain a separate public inspection facility. If you have technical difficulties accessing this Web site, please call BIS's Office of Administration at (202) 482-1900 for assistance.

Dated: August 28, 2009.

**Matthew S. Borman,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Export Administration.*

**Attachment 1**

**PROPOSED FY 2011 ANNUAL MATERIALS PLAN**

Material	Unit	Quantity	Footnote
Beryl Ore .....	ST .....	1	( <sup>1</sup> )
Beryllium Metal .....	ST .....	60	
Chromite, Refractory .....	SDT .....	2,000	
Chromium, Ferro .....	ST .....	100,000	
Chromium, Metal .....	ST .....	500	
Cobalt .....	LB Co .....	1,000,000	( <sup>1</sup> )
Columbium Metal Ingots .....	LB Cb .....	22,000	( <sup>1</sup> )
Germanium .....	Kg .....	8,000	
Manganese, Chemical Grade .....	SDT .....	5,000	( <sup>1</sup> )
Manganese, Ferro .....	ST .....	100,000	
Manganese, Metallurgical Grade .....	SDT .....	100,000	( <sup>1</sup> )
Platinum .....	Tr Oz .....	9,000	( <sup>1</sup> )
Platinum—Iridium .....	Tr Oz .....	1,000	( <sup>1</sup> )
Talc .....	ST .....	1,000	( <sup>1</sup> )
Tantalum Carbide Powder .....	LB Ta .....	4,000	( <sup>1</sup> )
Tin .....	MT .....	4,000	( <sup>1</sup> )
Tungsten Metal Powder .....	LB W .....	300,000	( <sup>1</sup> )
Tungsten Ores & Concentrates .....	LB W .....	8,000,000	
Zinc .....	ST .....	8,500	( <sup>1</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Actual quantity will be limited to remaining inventory.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Institute of Standards and Technology**

**Technology Innovation Program (TIP) Seeks White Papers**

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST) Technology Innovation Program (TIP) announces that it is seeking white papers from any interested party, including academia; federal, state, and local governments; industry; national laboratories; and professional organizations/societies. White papers will be used to identify and select areas of critical national need and the associated technical challenges to be addressed in future TIP competitions.

**DATES:** The suggested dates for submission of white papers are November 9, 2009, February 15, 2010, May 10, 2010, and July 12, 2010. However, TIP will accept white papers at any time during the period November 9, 2009 through September 30, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** White papers must be submitted to TIP as follows:  
*Electronic (e-mail) submission:*  
[tipwhitepaper@nist.gov](mailto:tipwhitepaper@nist.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas Wiggins at 301-975-5416 or by e-mail at [thomas.wiggins@nist.gov](mailto:thomas.wiggins@nist.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**