

Applicant: Natalija Lace, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS, PRT-226641

The applicant requests a permit to authorize harassment of captive-held manatees (*Trichechus manatus*) at Lowry Park Zoo, Florida, that are undergoing rehabilitation prior to release back to the wild, for the purpose of scientific research on the effects of underwater sound propagation on manatee sleep patterns. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 1-year period.

Concurrent with publishing this notice in the **Federal Register**, we are forwarding copies of the above applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Dated: October 30, 2009.

**Lisa J. Lierheimer,**

Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority  
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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Notice of Extension of Public Comment Period Under the Clean Air Act

Pursuant to 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that the United States has agreed to extend the public comment period in connection with a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Pacific Gas & Electric Company* ["PG&E"], Civil Action No. CV-09-4503 (N.D. Cal.), that was lodged with the United States District Court for the Northern District of California on September 24, 2009. The Consent Decree addresses an alleged violation of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671 *et seq.*, which occurred at the Gateway Generating Station, a natural gas fired power plant located near Antioch, California. The alleged violation arises from the construction of the plant by PG&E allegedly without an appropriate permit in violation of the Prevention of Significant Deterioration provisions of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7475, and without installing and applying best available control technology at the plant to control emissions of various air pollutants.

On October 5, 2009, the United States published a notice in the **Federal Register**, 74 FR 51170, announcing a 30 day public comment period on the proposed settlement. During the comment period, the United States received requests from various citizen

groups, including Citizens for a Better Environment, ACORN, and Californians for Renewable Energy, asking the United States to extend the period for the public to submit their comments and to provide to the United States other information that these organizations believe should be considered in connection with the proposed settlement. In light of these requests, the United States has agreed to extend the time for the public to submit comments on the proposed settlement to a date sixty (60) days from the date of publication of this **Federal Register** notice.

Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and mailed either electronically to *pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov* or in hard copy to the United States Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044-7611. Comments should refer to *United States v. Pacific Gas & Electric Company*, Civil Action No. CV-09-4503 (N.D. Cal.) and D.J. Ref. No. 90-5-2-1-09753.

The Consent Decree may be examined at: (1) The offices of the United States Department of Justice, 301 Howard Street, San Francisco, California 94105; and (2) the offices of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, 75 Hawthorne St., San Francisco, CA 94105. During the public comment period, the Consent Decree may also be examined on the following Web site: [http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/Consent\\_Decrees.html](http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/Consent_Decrees.html). A copy of the Consent Decree may also be obtained by mail from the Department of Justice Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611 or by faxing or e-mailing a request to Tonia Fleetwood (*tonia.fleetwood@usdoj.gov*), fax no. (202) 514-0097, phone confirmation number (202) 514-1547. In requesting a copy from the Consent Decree Library, please enclose a check in the amount of \$5.25 (21 pages at 25 cents per page reproduction costs) payable to the U.S. Treasury.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act

Notice is hereby given that on October 30, 2009, a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Methuen Lube, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 1:09-cv-00368-SM, was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire.

The proposed Consent Decree will settle the United States' claims on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") brought against defendants Methuen Lube, Inc.; Gloucester Marine Railways Corp.; Sarkis and Toris Vorbikian (d/b/a/ THS Auto Service); the Town of Chester, N.H.; the City of East Providence, R.I.; Express Car Care, Inc.; Fraser Pontiac-Buick-GMC, Inc.; Hampden Dodge, Inc.; the City of Haverhill, MA; the City of Haverhill Housing Authority; Hussey Seating; Legendary Lube, Inc.; the Town of Salem, N.H.; and the Salem School District (collectively referred to as "Settling Defendants") pursuant to Sections 106 and 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9606 and 9607, with respect to the Beede Waste Oil Superfund Site in Plaistow, New Hampshire. Pursuant to the Consent Decree, the Settling Defendants will pay a total of \$1,725,435.57 toward financing the work at the Site.

The Department of Justice will receive for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication comments relating to the proposed Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and either e-mailed to *pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov* or mailed to P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611, and should refer to *United States v. Methuen Lube, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 1:09-cv-368, D.J. Ref. 90-11-3-07039/13. Commenters may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area, in accordance with Section 7003(d) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6973(d).

The proposed Consent Decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, District of New Hampshire, 53 Pleasant Street, Concord, New Hampshire 03301, and at the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, 1 Congress Street, Suite 1100, Boston, Massachusetts 02114-2023. During the public