EAS 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations
This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at (503) 820–2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held in conjunction with MEP’s National Conference in Orlando, FL. The MEP Advisory Board is composed of 10 members, appointed by the Director of NIST, who were selected for their expertise in the area of industrial extension and their work on behalf of smaller manufacturers. MEP is a unique program consisting of centers across the United States and Puerto Rico, with partnerships at the State, Federal, and local levels. The Board works closely with MEP to provide input and advice on MEP’s programs, plans, and policies. For this meeting, discussions will focus on an overview on (1) the current manufacturing climate and policy initiatives, (2) MEP center operating structures and service offerings, and (3) a discussion of a study outlining alternative business models for the MEP program. The agenda may change to accommodate other Board business.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the MEP Advisory Board’s business are invited to request a place on the agenda. Approximately fifteen minutes will be reserved for public comments at the beginning of the meeting. Speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be no more than 3 to 5 minutes each. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period.

Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend in person are invited to submit written statements to the MEP Advisory Board, National Institute of Standards and Technology, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 4800, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899–4800, via fax at (301) 963–6556, or electronically by e-mail to karen.lellock@nist.gov.


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