

Assessment Rates

Upon issuing the final results of the review, the Department shall determine, and CBP shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. The Department intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP 15 days after the date of publication of the final results of review.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1), we will calculate importer-specific *ad valorem* duty assessment rates based on the ratio of the total amount of the dumping margins calculated for the examined sales to the total entered value of those same sales. We will instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review if any importer-specific assessment rate calculated in the final results of this review is above *de minimis*. However, the final results of this review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by the final results of this review and for future deposits of estimated duties, where applicable.

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements, when imposed, will apply to all shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication of the final results of this administrative review, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rate for Fushun Jinly, Muqi Carbon, Shida Carbon, and the companies comprising the Fangda Group will be the rate established in the final results of this administrative review; (2) for any previously reviewed or investigated PRC or non-PRC exporter, not covered in this administrative review, with a separate rate, the cash deposit rate will be the company-specific rate established in the most recent segment of this proceeding; (3) for all other PRC exporters, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the PRC-wide rate (*i.e.*, 159.64 percent); and (4) the cash-deposit rate for any non-PRC exporter of subject merchandise from the PRC will be the rate applicable to the PRC exporter that supplied that exporter. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation

of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

This administrative review and notice are in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213.

Dated: February 28, 2012.

Ronald K. Lorentzen,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Institute of Standards and Technology**

[Docket No.: 110107015-1402-02]

Announcing Approval of Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) Publication 180-4, Secure Hash Standard (SHS); a Revision of FIPS 180-3

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the Secretary of Commerce's approval of Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) Publication 180-4, Secure Hash Standard (SHS). FIPS 180-4 updates FIPS 180-3 by providing a general procedure for creating an initialization value, adding two additional secure hash algorithms to the Standard: SHA-512/224 and SHA-512/256 and removing a restriction that padding must be done before hash computation begins, which was required in FIPS 180-3.

DATES: The approved Standard is effective as of March 6, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elaine Barker, (301) 975-2911, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 8930, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8930, email: elaine.barker@nist.gov, or Quynh Dang, (301) 975-3610, email: quynh.dang@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces the Secretary of Commerce's approval of Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) Publication 180-4, Secure Hash Standard (SHS). FIPS 180-4 updates FIPS 180-3 by providing a general procedure for creating an initialization

value, adding two additional secure hash algorithms to the Standard: SHA-512/224 and SHA-512/256, and removing a restriction that padding must be done before hash computation begins, which was required in FIPS 180-3. SHA-512/224 and SHA-512/256 may be more efficient alternatives to SHA-224 and SHA-256 respectively, on platforms that are optimized for 64-bit operations. Removing the restriction on the padding operation in the secure hash algorithms will potentially allow more flexibility and efficiency in implementing the secure hash algorithms in many computer network applications.

On February 11, 2011, NIST published a notice in the **Federal Register** (76 FR 7817) announcing the availability of draft FIPS 180-4, and soliciting comments on the draft standard from the public, research communities, manufacturers, voluntary standards organizations and Federal, State and local government organizations. Comments were received from two corporations and one individual. The following is a summary of the specific comments and NIST's responses to them:

Comment: One commenter requested NIST to provide more detail for the calculation of the initialization values for SHA-512/224 and SHA-512/256, especially for the variable t.

Response: Clarification of the variable "t" has been provided in the FIPS. Sufficient examples are provided at the Web site: <http://csrc.nist.gov/groups/ST/toolkit/examples.html>, as indicated in the APPENDIX A of the FIPS.

Comment: One commenter indicated that the notation for SHA-512 ("SHA-512/t") and SHA-512 ("SHA-512/256") needs to be further defined, including a definition for ASCII strings.

Response: Clarification of the variable "t" was provided in Section 5.3.6 of the FIPS, along with further clarification of the input string to the SHA-512 hash function.

Comment: One commenter requested NIST to define SHA-512/160 as an approved hash algorithm.

Response: NIST believes that there is not much demand for a new SHA-512-based hash algorithm with 160-bit hash output at this time, since generating digital signatures using 160-bit hash values will not be approved after the year 2013.

FIPS 180-4 is available electronically from the NIST Web site at: <http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/PubsFIPS.html>.

Authority: In accordance with the Information Technology Management Reform

Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–106) and the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) of 2002 (Pub. L. 107–347), the Secretary of Commerce is authorized to approve Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS). NIST activities to develop computer security standards to protect Federal sensitive (unclassified) information systems are undertaken pursuant to specific responsibilities assigned to NIST by section 20 of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act (15 U.S.C. 278g–3), as amended by section 303 of the Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002.

Dated: March 1, 2012.

Willie E. May,
Associate Director for Laboratory Programs.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Marine Mammals; File No. 16053

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a permit has been issued to Paul E. Nachtigall, Ph.D., Marine Mammal Research Program Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology, P.O. Box 1106, Kailua, Hawaii 96734, to conduct scientific research on cetaceans stranded or in rehabilitation facilities in the U.S.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Sloan or Kristy Beard, (301) 427–8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 16, 2011, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (76 FR 28422) that a request for a permit to conduct research on stranded cetaceans had been submitted by the above-named applicant. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222–226).

The permit authorizes the permit holder to conduct auditory measurements and recordings of stranded and rehabilitating cetaceans to provide insight into the nature of strandings including those that may be caused by man-made sounds. The research techniques may also be used as a medical diagnostic tool to determine the hearing capabilities of stranded cetaceans that may aid in decisions regarding release to the wild. Researchers are authorized to use evoked auditory potential recordings with non-invasive suction cup sensors on up to 15 individuals each of certain species of cetaceans and make passive recordings of the sounds produced by the animals using hydrophones. Research will occur in waters or on beaches in the U.S. and in rehabilitation facilities in the U.S. The permit is valid for five years from the date of issuance.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), a final determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

As required by the ESA, issuance of this permit was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Documents may be reviewed in the following locations:

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 427–8401; fax (301) 713–0376; Pacific Islands Region, NMFS, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Room 1110, Honolulu, HI 96814–4700; phone (808) 944–2200; fax (808) 973–2941;

Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802–4213; phone (562) 980–4001; fax (562) 980–4018;

Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way NE., BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115–0700; phone (206) 526–6150; fax (206) 526–6426;

Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802–1668; phone (907) 586–7221; fax (907) 586–7249;

Southeast Region, NMFS, 263 13th Avenue South, Saint Petersburg, Florida 33701; phone (727) 824–5312; fax (727) 824–5309; and

Northeast Region, NMFS, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930; phone (978) 281–9328; fax (978) 281–9394.

Dated: February 29, 2012.

P. Michael Payne,
Chief, Permits and Conservation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Subcommittee Meeting of the Board of Advisors to the President of the Naval War College Subcommittee

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, as amended), notice is hereby given that the following meeting of the aforementioned Subcommittee will be held. (Parent Committee is: Board of Advisors (BOA) to the Presidents of the Naval Postgraduate School and the Naval War College (NWC)). This meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, April 12, 2012, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on Friday, April 13, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern Time Zone.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the U.S. Naval War College, 686 Cushing Road, Newport, RI.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Richard R. Menard, Naval War College, Newport, RI 02841–1207, telephone number 401–841–7004.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Board is to advise and assist the President, NWC in educational and support areas, providing independent advice and recommendations on items such as, but not limited to, organizational management, curricula, methods of instruction, facilities, and other matters of interest.

The agenda is as follows:

(1) April 12, 2012: Discussion of recently issued defense guidance and its implication for the military and Joint Professional Military Education; the College's role in updating of 'A Cooperative Strategy for the 21st Century.'

(2) April 13, 2012: General deliberations and inquiry into campus facilities and proposed Learning Center concept; mission priorities in an era of constrained resources; and faculty and student diversity.

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