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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XB144

Endangered Species; File No. 13330

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permit modification.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that NMFS Southeast Fisheries Center (SEFSC) (hereinafter "Permit Holder"); 75 Virginia Beach Drive, Miami, FL 33149 [Responsible Party: Bonnie Ponwith, Ph.D.], has been issued a modification to scientific research Permit No. 13330-01.

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

Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 427-8401; fax (301) 713-0376; and Southeast Region, NMFS, 263 13th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701; phone (727) 824-5312; fax (727) 824-5309.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colette Cairns or Malcolm Mohead, (301) 427-8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 2, 2012, notice was published in the *Federal Register* (77 FR 19648) that a modification of Permit No. 13330-01, issued March 17, 2011, (76 FR 14650), had been requested by the above-named organization. The requested modification has been granted under the authority of 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 222-226).

Permit No. 13330-01 authorizes the permit holder to: Capture 45 smalltooth sawfish (15 from each of three life stages) annually by longline, gillnet, seine net, drum (set) lines, or rod and reel throughout Florida's coastal waters, primarily from Naples to Key West.

Sawfish are measured, tagged, sampled, and released. Current tagging methods include rototags (fin tags), dart tags, umbrella dart tags, Passive Integrated Transponder tags, acoustic transmitters, and Pop-Up Archival Transmitting tags. Tissue and blood samples are also taken. The permit holder is now authorized for an increase in take numbers to 50 individuals from the neonate life stage, and 20 each from the juvenile and adult life stages for a total of 90 smalltooth sawfish annually. All research objectives, capture methods, action areas, and activities remain unchanged. The modification is valid until the permit expires on October 31, 2013.

Issuance of this modification, as required by the ESA 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 or threatened species, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: September 12, 2012.

Tammy C. Adams,

Acting Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Technical Information Service

National Technical Information Service Advisory Board

AGENCY: National Technical Information Service, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the next meeting of the National Technical Information Service Advisory Board (the Advisory Board), which advises the Secretary of Commerce and the Director of the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) on policies and operations of the Service.

DATES: The Advisory Board will meet on Friday, October 26, 2012 from 9 a.m. to approximately 4:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The Advisory Board will be held in Room 115 of the NTIS Facility at 5301 Shawnee Road, Alexandria, Virginia 22312. Please note admittance instructions under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Bruce Borzino, (703) 605-6405, bborzino@ntis.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NTIS Advisory Board is established by

Section 3704b(c) of Title 15 of the United States Code. The charter has been filed in accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.).

The morning session will focus on a review of NTIS performance in Fiscal Year 2012 and strategic direction in Fiscal Year 2012-2013. The afternoon session is expected to focus on project plans in Fiscal Year 2013. A final agenda and summary of the proceedings will be posted at NTIS Web site as soon as they are available (<http://www.ntis.gov/about/advisorybd.aspx>).

The NTIS Facility is a secure one. Accordingly persons wishing to attend should call the NTIS Visitors Center, (703) 605-6040, to arrange for admission. If there are sufficient expressions of interest, up to one-half hour will be reserved for public comments during the afternoon session. Questions from the public will not be considered by the Board but any person who wishes to submit a written question for the Board's consideration should mail or email it to the NTIS Visitor Center, bookstore@ntis.gov, not later than October 10, 2012.

Dated: September 12, 2012.

Bruce Borzino,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

Title: Madrid Protocol.

Form Number(s): PTO-1663, PTO-1683, PTO-2131, PTO-2132, PTO-2133.

Agency Approval Number: 0651-0051.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 1,711 hours annually.

Number of Respondents: 6,620 responses per year.

Avg. Hours per Response: The USPTO estimates that it will take the public approximately 15 minutes to one hour and 15 minutes (0.25 to 1.25 hours) to

complete the information in this collection, including the time to gather the necessary information, prepare the forms or documents, and submit the completed request to the USPTO.

Needs and Uses: The Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks ("Madrid Protocol") is an international treaty that allows a trademark owner to seek registration in any of the participating countries by filing a single international application. An international application submitted through the USPTO must be based on an active U.S. application or registration and must be filed by the owner of the application or registration. The public uses this collection to submit applications for international registration and related requests to the USPTO under the Madrid Protocol.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; businesses or other for-profits; and not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Nicholas A. Fraser, email:

Nicholas_A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov.

Once submitted, the request will be publicly available in electronic format through the Information Collection Review page at *www.reginfo.gov*.

Paper copies can be obtained by:

- *Email:*

InformationCollection@uspto.gov.

Include "0651-0051 copy request" in the subject line of the message.

- *Mail:* Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before October 18, 2012 to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB Desk Officer, via email to *Nicholas_A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov*, or by fax to 202-395-5167, marked to the attention of Nicholas A. Fraser.

Dated: September 12, 2012.

Susan K. Fawcett,

Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The Bureau is soliciting comments concerning its proposed information collection titled, "Pentagon Federal Credit Card Agreement Simplification Survey." The proposed collection has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval. A copy of the submission, including copies of the proposed collection and supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting the agency contact listed below.

DATES: Written comments are encouraged and must be received on or before October 18, 2012 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by agency name and collection title, "Pentagon Federal Credit Card Agreement Simplification Survey," to:

- *Agency:* Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Attention: PRA Office), 1700 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20552; (202) 435-9011; and *CFPB_Public_PRA@cfpb.gov.*

- *OMB:* Shagufta Ahmed, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503; (202) 395-7873.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information should be directed to Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Attention: PRA Office), 1700 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20552, (202) 435-9011, or through the internet at *CFPB_Public_PRA@cfpb.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title:

Pentagon Federal Credit Card Agreement Simplification Survey.

OMB Control Number: 3170-XXXX.

Type of Review: New.

Abstract: The Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau) respectfully requests emergency processing and approval of the

collection of information discussed below because the proposed information collection is essential to the mission of the agency and the use of normal clearance procedures is reasonably likely to prevent collection. The Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau) is requesting emergency approval from OMB to conduct qualitative research related to a short-form credit card agreement Pentagon Federal Credit Union (Pentagon Federal) is piloting this fall. The research is designed to result in recommendations for development of and revisions to the Bureau's approach to improving the readability of credit card agreements. The research activities will be conducted by phone surveys of consumers who will have received the agreements from Pentagon Federal. The feasibility and value of this approach has been demonstrated by other agencies in developing disclosures and other forms. The survey will provide illustrative qualitative information only, and does not constitute a quantitative information collection. Survey results will not be used to make statistically-valid assessments for the purposes of extrapolating to the broader US population. The planned research activities need to be conducted during calendar Q4 2012 and calendar Q1 2013, as Pentagon Federal will send the short-form credit card agreement to new credit card holders in calendar Q4 2012 and Q1 2013. As the survey includes questions that ask a consumer to recall their impression of the cardholder agreement, the survey must be administered shortly after initial receipt of the agreement, when those impressions remain fresh. The Bureau therefore requests emergency processing and approval of the information collection request as the normal clearance process would disrupt the collection.

Affected Public: Individuals.

Estimated Number of Responses: 500 affirmative responses, 500 negative responses.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 15 minutes per affirmative response, 1 minute per negative response.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 133.3 total burden hours.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless the information collection displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Comments are being solicited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau, including whether the information shall have