

B. Update on Endangered Species Act (ESA) and Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) Actions.

1. Final False Killer Whale Take Reduction Plan.

2. Final Rule to List the Main Hawaiian Islands Insular False Killer Whales as Endangered under the ESA.

3. Proposed Rule to List 66 Species of Coral as Endangered or Threatened under the ESA.

C. Update on the Monk Seal Recovery Program.

D. Public Comment.

E. SSC Discussion and Recommendations.

8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. Thursday, February 28, 2013

9. Other Business.

A. 113th SSC Meeting.

10. Summary of SSC

Recommendations to the Council.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522-8220 (voice) or (808) 522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: January 28, 2013.

Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XC472

North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council's Scallop Plan Team will meet in February in Kodiak, AK.

DATES: The meeting will be held on February 19–20, 2013, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Fisherman's Hall, 403 Marina Way, Kodiak, AK.

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W.

4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diana Stram, Council staff; telephone: (907) 271-2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda

Review status of scallop stocks, recommend annual ABC level for statewide stock, compile annual SAFE report, receive report on potential impacts of ocean acidification on scallops, review stock structure for weathervane scallops and recommend annual research priorities.

The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version will be posted at <http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/npfmc/>

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. 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 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 Gail Bendixen at (907) 271-2809 at least 7 working days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: January 25, 2013.

Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

[Docket No. 130124072-3072-01]

RIN 0660-XC005

Country Code Top-Level Domain (ccTLD) for the United States; Policies and Requirements; Comments Request

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Inquiry.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Commerce's (Department) National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) administers the contract for the country code top-level domain (ccTLD) for the United States, ".us" (usTLD). The current contract expires on August 31, 2013. Given the expiration date of this contract, NTIA is seeking input from interested parties on the policies and requirements that should govern the usTLD. NTIA will utilize the comments received in response to this Notice in the procurement process leading to the award of a new usTLD contract.

DATES: Comments due on or before March 4, 2013

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted by mail to Fiona M. Alexander, Associate Administrator, Office of International Affairs, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 4701, Washington, DC 20230. Comments may be submitted electronically to ustldnoi@ntia.doc.gov. All email messages and comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted without change to the NTIA Web site at <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/federal-register-notice/2013/comments-ustld-policies-and-requirements-noi>. All comments received will be posted without change or redaction, so commenters should not include information they do not wish to be posted (e.g., personal or confidential business information).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions about this Notice contact: Elizabeth B. Bacon, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 4701, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2097; email: ebacon@ntia.doc.gov. Please direct media inquiries to the Office of Public Affairs, NTIA, at (202) 482-7002.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NTIA is committed to maintaining a stable, secure Internet that is open for economic growth and innovation. One of the many ways that NTIA supports this commitment is through its role in administering the contract for the operation of the usTLD. The usTLD has historically served as a home for American business, individuals, and localities for the benefit of the nation's Internet community. The current

contract expires on August 31, 2013.¹ Given the expiration date of this contract, NTIA is seeking input from interested parties on the policies and requirements that should govern the usTLD. Comments received in response to this Notice will inform the procurement process leading to the award of a new usTLD contract.

NTIA's goal is that the usTLD be attractive to both business and individual users, be open to and encourage innovation, growth and use of the space, and reflect the multistakeholder model of Internet governance. This notice of inquiry (NOI) seeks to meet that goal by requesting public comment on current policies and how they could be updated to better serve the community's needs. This NOI also seeks views as to how the usTLD can be managed consistent with the multistakeholder model; for example, by developing a mechanism for public input and community engagement in policy development for the usTLD space.

Background

Country code TLDs (ccTLDs) are two-letter suffixes based on the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 3166, and that represent a particular country or autonomous territory, such as .jp for Japan, or .uk for the United Kingdom. The ccTLD is usually delegated to a trustee or designated manager that is responsible for its administration, operations, and stability.² The structure, policies, and registration requirements for each ccTLD are developed at the discretion of its country or territory, carried out by the designated manager, and may vary widely to meet the needs of its user community. Currently, there are 254 active ccTLDs, with some operating as open TLDs, others limited to government use, some requiring a local presence, and others operating as global commercial TLDs.³

The ccTLD for the United States is reflected as ".us" and referred to in this NOI as the usTLD. Currently, the usTLD is comprised of approximately 1,786,738 domains. The current structure also includes the operations of an estimated 3,666 "delegated

managers" in the usTLD within the locality name space.⁴

The usTLD has historically served as a home for American businesses, individuals, and localities and is managed by NTIA through a contract with Neustar, Inc.⁵ Recognizing the value of the continued operation of the usTLD, NTIA initiated a procurement process for the usTLD contract, selecting Neustar, Inc. in 2001, for a term of six years. NTIA again initiated a procurement process for the usTLD contract in 2007 and again selected Neustar, Inc. The current contract expires on August 31, 2013. Given the expiration date of the current contract, NTIA is taking this opportunity to solicit comment on ways to enhance the current policies and requirements to encourage continued innovation, growth, and increased use of the usTLD space.

In 2007, NTIA issued a Statement of Work (SOW) that outlined several key requirements that govern the usTLD space.⁶ For example, to operate in the usTLD space, domain owners must fulfill a U.S. Nexus requirement by providing proof of a bona fide presence or residence within the United States.⁷ Each registrar in the usTLD space must provide publicly accessible, accurate, and up-to-date WHOIS information for each .us registrant. Also, the Dot Kids Implementation and Efficiency Act of 2002 (Dot Kids Act), Pub. L. No. 107-317, requires the creation and maintenance of a second level domain within the usTLD (kids.us) as a safe

⁴ "Delegated Managers" are managers of delegated subdomains in the TLD space such as state.maryland.us or ci.baltimore.md.us. The delegated manager facilitates and manages domain name registrations using this locality name such as tourism.ci.baltimore.md.us to be operated by local registrants. The usTLD contractor is required to have an agreement in place with each delegated manager. In most cases, the usTLD contractor does not have direct contractual agreements with locality registrants within delegated subdomains, however, the "delegated managers" are required to enforce usTLD policies with their registrants. For current "delegated manager" policies, see <http://www.neustar.us/delegated-managers/>. For a definition and description of "locality name," see RFC1480, "The US Domain," available at <http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc1480>.

⁵ The usTLD was originally administered, prior to 2001, through a cooperative agreement between the U.S. Government and Network Solutions, Inc. Network Solutions subcontracted administration of the usTLD to the Information Sciences Institute of the University of Southern California. Dr. Jon Postel established the original structure and administrative mechanisms of the usTLD in RFC 1480.

⁶ The Statement of Work for the 2007 contract is available at http://www.ntia.doc.gov/files/ntia/publications/ustld2007_contract.pdf, Section C, pages 4-27.

⁷ The full text of the current U.S. Nexus policy can be found at <http://www.neustar.us/policies/>.

place on the Internet for children.⁸ NTIA welcomes comments on whether these requirements are still relevant, and if so, how they might be updated.

In addition, security and stability of the Internet remains a cornerstone of all United States Government (USG) Internet policy concerns. These concerns are reflected in the current contract and SOW through high-level security requirements, including a new requirement for Domain Name System Security Extensions (DNSSEC) deployment within the usTLD.

Community feedback and input into the development of policies and processes is an important component to the management and operation of the usTLD and reflects the USG policy supporting the multistakeholder model of Internet governance. Input regarding the value of and interest in developing a mechanism that would allow for community input and consultation into policy development processes within the usTLD is encouraged. Policies of the usTLD should, to the extent practicable, be informed by best practices as developed by the global multistakeholder Internet community.⁹

Request for Comment

The current usTLD contract will expire on August 31, 2013. Given this expiration date, NTIA is seeking public comments regarding how the current policies and requirements impact the ability to create a policy environment that allows for continuing innovation, growth, and use of the usTLD space.

Comments that contain references, studies, research, or other empirical evidence or data that are not widely published should include copies of the referenced materials with the submitted comments. While commenters are welcome to submit comments regarding the questions below and other issues relating to the effective operation and innovation of the usTLD, this NOI is not seeking comments directly regarding the current contractor's performance. Specifically, NTIA is seeking input on the following questions:

1. In general, what are your views on the current policies and requirements

⁸ On July 27, 2012, NTIA determined that the kids.us domain was not serving its intended purpose and suspended the operation of the kids.us domain as authorized by the Dot Kids Act. Per statutory requirement any request for proposal issued for the usTLD will contain a requirement to operate the kids.us space.

⁹ For example, the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO), which is a part of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), is a forum in which best practices are discussed and developed. For more information regarding the work of the ccNSO, please see: <http://ccnso.icann.org/>.

¹ The current contract (2007) is available at <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/page/2011/us-domain-space>.

² The ISO 3166 list is available at http://www.iso.org/iso/iso-3166-1_decoding_table.

³ DomainWire Statistical Report, Autumn 2012, CENTR; http://www.centr.org/DomainWire_Stat_Report_2012_1.

that govern the usTLD space? Are they still relevant? Are there ways to update the policies and practices currently utilized in the management of the usTLD that would add value to the space? Please be specific in your response.

2. Are there policies and practices developed or employed by other ccTLDs, ccTLD organizations, and the stakeholder community that could be incorporated into the usTLD space to spur innovation, growth, and use of the usTLD or improve the domain name registrant experience? Please be specific in your response.

3. How best could the management of the usTLD be structured to reflect the multistakeholder model of policy development, particularly in developing mechanisms that could engage the usTLD community? Please be specific in your response.

4. An important aspect of the multistakeholder model of policy development is a focus on transparency. Is there additional information related to the administration and performance of the usTLD contract that should be collected or shared publicly in the interest of transparency? Please provide specific information as to why or why not. If yes, please provide specific suggestions in particular on what that information should be and how that information can be made available.5. Please provide your views of the usTLD Nexus policy. Does it enhance, impede, or have no impact on the innovation and growth of the usTLD space? Please be specific in your response.

6. What updates could be made to the current usTLD WHOIS policy and practices that could benefit the usTLD registrants, law enforcement, and the broader user community?

7. How can the kids.us space be improved? Please be specific in your response.

8. What updates could be made to usTLD security policies and practices to better align with TLD best practices and ensure continued security and stability of the usTLD?

Dated: January 25, 2013.

Lawrence E. Strickling,

Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information.

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COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

Notice of Meeting

The next meeting of the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts is scheduled

for 21 February 2013, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission offices at the National Building Museum, Suite 312, Judiciary Square, 401 F Street NW., Washington, DC 20001-2728. Items of discussion may include buildings, parks, and memorials.

Draft agendas and additional information regarding the Commission are available on our Web site: www.cfa.gov. Inquiries regarding the agenda and requests to submit written or oral statements should be addressed to Thomas Luebke, Secretary, U.S. Commission of Fine Arts, at the above address; by emailing CFAStaff@cfa.gov; or by calling 202-504-2200. Individuals requiring sign language interpretation for the hearing impaired should contact the Secretary at least 10 days before the meeting date.

Dated: January 25, 2013, in Washington, DC.

Thomas Luebke,

Secretary.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

TIME AND DATE: Wednesday, January 30, 2013, 10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.

PLACE: Room 420, Bethesda Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

STATUS: Commission Meeting—Open to the Public .

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Briefing Matter: Sections 1112/1118 Requirements for Third Party Conformity Assessment Bodies.

A live Webcast of the Meeting can be viewed at www.cpsc.gov/webcast. For a recorded message containing the latest agenda information, call (301) 504-7948.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Todd A. Stevenson, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814, (301) 504-7923.

Dated: January 28, 2013.

Todd A. Stevenson,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Legal Policy Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150, the Department of Defense (DoD) announces the following federal advisory committee meeting of the Defense Legal Policy Board.

ADDRESSES: Holiday Inn Ballston, 4610 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22203.

DATES: A meeting of the Defense Legal Policy Board (hereafter referred to as “the Board”) will be held on Friday, February 15, 2013. The Public Session will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 4:00 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David Gruber, Defense Legal Policy Board, PO Box 3656, Arlington, VA 22203. Email: StaffDirectorDefenseLegalPolicyBoard@osd.mil. Phone: (703) 696-5449.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: At this meeting, the Board will deliberate on the July 30, 2012 tasking from the Secretary of Defense to review certain military justice cases in combat zones. The Board is interested in written and oral comments from the public, including non-governmental organizations, relevant to this tasking. The mission of the Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense on legal and related legal policy matters within DoD, the achievement of DoD policy goals through legislation and regulations, and other assigned matters.

Agenda: Prior to the Public Session, the Board will conduct an Administrative Session starting at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 9:00 a.m. to address administrative matters. After the Public Session, the Board will conduct an Administrative Session starting at 4:00 p.m. and ending at 4:30 p.m. to prepare for upcoming meetings. Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.160, the public may not attend the Administrative Sessions.

Tentative Agenda (updates available from the Board’s Staff Director at StaffDirectorDefenseLegalPolicyBoard@osd.mil).

- Testimony from representatives of the Secretaries of the Military Departments.