

Reported Entered Value  
 Comment 17: Whether Minh Phu Group's  
 Minor Corrections from Verification Are  
 Properly Applied  
 Comment 18: Whether MPG's Indirect Selling  
 Expenses Are Properly Calculated  
*Nha Trang Seafoods:*  
 Comment 19: Whether to Adjust Electricity  
 and Water Consumption  
 Comment 20: Whether Nha Trang Seafoods  
 Included Transfer Costs between  
 Factories  
*Quoc Viet:*  
 Comment 21: Treatment of Sauce  
 Comment 22: Marine Insurance  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[C-533-856]

#### Steel Threaded Rod from India: Postponement of Preliminary Determination of Countervailing Duty Investigation

**AGENCY:** Import Administration,  
 International Trade Administration,  
 Department of Commerce

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* September 12,  
 2013.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
 Brooke Kennedy, AD/CVD Operations,  
 Office 8, Import Administration,  
 International Trade Administration,  
 U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th  
 Street and Constitution Avenue NW.,  
 Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202)  
 482-3818.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On July 17, 2013, the Department of  
 Commerce ("the Department") initiated  
 a countervailing duty investigation on  
 steel threaded rod from India.<sup>1</sup> The  
 current deadline for the preliminary  
 determination of this investigation is no  
 later than September 20, 2013.

##### Postponement of Preliminary Determination

Section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of  
 1930, as amended ("the Act"), requires  
 the Department to issue the preliminary  
 determination in a countervailing duty  
 investigation within 65 days after the  
 date on which the Department initiated  
 the investigation. However, if the  
 Department concludes that the parties  
 concerned are cooperating and  
 determines that the case is  
 extraordinarily complicated and that

additional time is necessary to make the  
 preliminary determination, section  
 703(c)(1)(B) of the Act allows the  
 Department to postpone making the  
 preliminary determination until no later  
 than 130 days after the date on which  
 the administering authority initiated the  
 investigation. We have concluded that  
 the parties concerned are cooperating  
 and that the case is extraordinarily  
 complicated due to the complexity of  
 the alleged subsidy programs, such that  
 we need more time to make the  
 preliminary determination. Specifically,  
 the analysis of two of the alleged  
 subsidy programs will involve not only  
 the usual consideration of financial  
 contribution and specificity, but will  
 also involve the more complex  
 consideration of whether the program  
 has been terminated and, if so, whether  
 there are any residual benefits. In  
 addition, any analysis of the National  
 Manufacturing Competitiveness  
 Program—Marketing Assistance Scheme  
 is likely to be complex as the program  
 allegedly provides for a variety of  
 subsidies including grants for rental  
 space, freight charges, airfare and  
 advertising. The deadline for  
 completion of the preliminary  
 determination is now November 25,  
 2013.<sup>2</sup>

We also note that, on September 3,  
 2013, All America Threaded Products  
 Inc., Bay Standard Manufacturing Inc.,  
 and Vulcan Threaded Products Inc., the  
 petitioners in this investigation,  
 requested that the deadline for the  
 preliminary determination be postponed  
 to 130 days from the date of initiation  
 in accordance with 19 CFR  
 351.205(b)(2). This notice is issued and  
 published pursuant to section 703(c)(2)  
 of the Act.<sup>3</sup>

September 6, 2013.

**Paul Piquado,**  
*Assistant Secretary for Import  
 Administration.*

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<sup>2</sup> As the actual due date of November 24, 2013  
 falls on a weekend, the preliminary determination  
 is due the next business day, *i.e.*, November 25,  
 2013. See *Notice of Clarification: Application of  
 "Next Business Day" Rule for Administrative  
 Determination Deadlines Pursuant to Tariff Act of  
 1930, As Amended*, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).

<sup>3</sup> We acknowledge that the Department  
 inadvertently did not notify the parties to this  
 investigation of this postponement within the  
 timeframe provided in section 703(c)(2) of the Act.

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XC859

#### Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Shrimp Fisheries of the Gulf of Mexico and Southern Atlantic States

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

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of an  
 application for an exempted fishing  
 permit; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces the receipt  
 of an application for an exempted  
 fishing permit (EFP) from the Gulf and  
 South Atlantic Fisheries Foundation,  
 Inc (Foundation). If granted, the EFP  
 would authorize the applicant, with  
 certain conditions, to collect and retain  
 limited numbers of specimens that  
 would otherwise be prohibited from  
 possession and retention. This study, to  
 be conducted in the exclusive economic  
 zone (EEZ) of the Gulf of Mexico (Gulf)  
 and South Atlantic, is intended to  
 characterize catch and bycatch within  
 the shrimp fisheries of the Gulf and  
 South Atlantic.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on  
 or before October 15, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments,  
 identified by "NOAA-NMFS-2013-  
 0141", by any of the following methods:

- *Electronic Submission:* Submit all  
 electronic public comments via the  
 Federal e-Rulemaking Portal. Go to  
[www.regulations.gov/  
 #/docketDetail;D=NOAA-NMFS-2013-  
 0141](http://www.regulations.gov/#/docketDetail;D=NOAA-NMFS-2013-0141), click the "Comment Now!" icon,  
 complete the required fields, and enter  
 or attach your comments.

- *Mail:* Submit written comments to  
 Susan Gerhart, Southeast Regional  
 Office, NMFS, 263 13th Avenue South,  
 St. Petersburg, FL 33701.

*Instructions:* Comments sent by any  
 other method, to any other address or  
 individual, or received after the end of  
 the comment period, may not be  
 considered by NMFS. All comments  
 received are a part of the public record  
 and will generally be posted for public  
 viewing on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)  
 without change. All personal identifying  
 information (*e.g.*, name, address, etc.),  
 confidential business information, or  
 otherwise sensitive information  
 submitted voluntarily by the sender will  
 be publicly accessible. NMFS will  
 accept anonymous comments (enter "N/  
 A" in the required fields if you wish to

<sup>1</sup> See *Steel Threaded Rod From India: Initiation  
 of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 78 FR 44532  
 (July 24, 2013).

remain anonymous). Attachments to electronic comments will be accepted in Microsoft Word, Excel, or Adobe PDF file formats only.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan Gerhart, 727-824-5305; email: [Susan.Gerhart@noaa.gov](mailto:Susan.Gerhart@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The EFP is requested under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), and regulations at 50 CFR 600.745(b) concerning exempted fishing.

The applicant proposes research as part of the Cooperative Research Program, which is intended to involve commercial fishermen in the collection of fundamental fisheries information. The described research is part of a long-term observer program that began in 1992, and that can be expected to continue in the future. Resource collection efforts support the development and evaluation of fisheries management and regulatory options.

The EFP would exempt the activities described herein from regulations at 50 CFR part 622, as they affect fish and invertebrates managed by the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic Fishery Management Councils (Councils). The EFP covers these Council-managed species that may be taken during standard fishing activities of the commercial shrimp fishery of the southeast United States. The EFP would exempt personnel from the Foundation from fishery regulations such as bag limits, size limits, quotas, seasonal restrictions, and gear authorizations as specified in 50 CFR part 622, Subparts A through R for reef fish, red drum, coastal migratory pelagics, and spiny lobster in the Gulf of Mexico, and snapper-grouper, coastal migratory pelagics, dolphin and wahoo, and spiny lobster in the South Atlantic.

The EFP would authorize Foundation observers aboard commercial shrimp vessels to temporarily possess all necessary specimens from the catch for documentation and to permanently retain approximately 500 specimens of federally-managed finfishes and invertebrates that would otherwise be prohibited from possession and retention through December 31, 2018. The described research is part of a long-term observer program that began in 1992, and that can be expected to continue in the future, therefore, the 5-year time period for the EFP is appropriate for this research effort. Specimens would be collected from Federal waters of the Gulf and South Atlantic, and sampling would occur during normal fishing operations of the

trawl gear component of the penaeid shrimp commercial sector. Sampling would occur year-round. These species would be retained only in the event of the need for subsequent shore-side identification or as documentation of quality assurance in the data collection process. Data collection for this study would support improved information about the catch, bycatch, discards, and the ability to reduce bycatch for species taken by the shrimp fisheries of the Gulf and South Atlantic. These data would provide insight on a stock's resilience to fishing, and would help improve estimates of long-term biological productivity of the stocks. Currently, these data are unavailable, and it is anticipated that project results will yield valuable data within these fisheries.

NMFS finds this application warrants further consideration. Based on a preliminary review, NMFS intends to issue an EFP. The limited sampling program and associated methodology listed in the EFP is not expected to impact the fishery stocks; the estimated 500 specimens to be retained through the duration of the EFP represents a small fraction of average annual landings.

Conditions the agency will impose on this permit, if it is granted, include but are not limited to, a prohibition of conducting research within marine protected areas, marine sanctuaries, or special management zones, without additional authorization. Additionally, NMFS will prohibit the possession of Nassau or goliath grouper, and require any sea turtles taken incidentally during the course of fishing or scientific research activities to be handled with due care to prevent injury to live specimens, observed for activity, and returned to the water. All Foundation-associated personnel who conduct onboard sampling activities have undergone formal sea turtle handling training through NMFS, and are considered NMFS-designated agents while conducting work under the identified Cooperative Agreements.

A final decision on issuance of the EFP will depend on a NMFS review of public comments received on the application, consultations with the affected states, the Councils, and the U.S. Coast Guard, and a determination that the EFP is consistent with all applicable laws.

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

Dated: September 9, 2013.

**James P. Burgess,**

*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-XC862**

#### Marine Mammals; File No. 18171

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

**ACTION:** Notice; receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Wessley Merten, Marine Sciences Department, University of Puerto Rico, Mayagüez Campus, PO Box 9000, Mayagüez, PR 00682, has applied in due form for a permit to conduct commercial or educational photography of bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops truncatus*), spinner dolphins (*Stenella longirostris*), striped dolphins (*Stenella coeruleoalba*), False killer whales (*Pseudorca crassidens*), and killer whales (*Orcinus orca*) in waters off Puerto Rico.

**DATES:** Written, telefaxed, or email comments must be received on or before October 15, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** These documents are available 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, Saint Petersburg, FL 33701; phone (727) 824-5312; fax (727) 824-5309.

Written comments on this application should be submitted to the Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, at the address listed above. Comments may also be submitted by facsimile to (301) 713-0376, or by email to [NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov](mailto:NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov). Please include the File No. in the subject line of the email comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request to the Chief, Permits and Conservation Division at the address listed above. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.