recommendations on Experimental Fishing Permits as necessary; review agency and liaison reports; and discuss other business and upcoming meetings.

Documents regarding these issues are available from the Council office (see ADDRESSES).

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 identified 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 auxiliary aids should be directed to the council office (see ADDRESSES) 3 days prior to the meeting.

Note: The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

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Dated: May 16, 2014.
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

First Responder Network Authority Board Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of open public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Board of the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) will convene an open public meeting of the Board on June 3, 2014, preceded by meetings of the Board Committees on June 2, 2014.

DATES: On June 2, 2014 between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Mountain Daylight Time there will be sequential meetings of FirstNet’s four Board Committees: (1) Governance and Personnel; (2) Outreach; (3) Technology; and (4) Finance. The full FirstNet Board will hold a meeting on June 3, 2014, between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Mountain Daylight Time.

ADDITIONS: Board members will meet in Ballroom 4 of the Westin Westminster Hotel, 10600 Westminster Boulevard, Westminster, CO 80020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Uzoma Onyeije, Secretary, FirstNet, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–0016; email: uzoma@firstnet.gov. Please direct media inquiries to FirstNet’s Communications Department, (202) 482–4809 or corey.ray@firstnet.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that the Board of the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) will convene an open public meeting of the Board on June 3, 2014, preceded by meetings of the Board Committees on June 2, 2014.


Matters To Be Considered: FirstNet will post detailed agendas of each meeting on its Web site, http://www.firstnet.gov, prior to the meetings. The agenda topics are subject to change. Please note that the subjects that will be discussed by the Committees and the Board may involve commercial and financial information that is privileged or confidential, personnel matters, and other legal matters affecting FirstNet. As such, the Committee Chairs and Board Chair may call for a vote to close the meetings pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 1424(e)(2).

Times and Dates of June 2014 Meetings: On June 2, 2014, between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Mountain Daylight Time there will be sequential meetings of FirstNet’s four committees. The full FirstNet Board meeting will be held on June 3, 2014, between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Mountain Daylight Time.

Place: The June 3 Board meeting and the June 2 Committee meetings will be held in Ballroom 4 of the Westin Westminster Hotel, 10600 Westminster Boulevard, Westminster, Colorado.

Other Information: These meetings are open to the public and press. Members of the public wishing to attend the meetings in person will be directed to an auditorium where they can observe the meeting by video. For access to the meetings, valid, government issued photo identification may be requested for security reasons. The meetings are accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring accommodations, such as sign-language interpretation or other ancillary aids, are asked to notify Uzoma Onyeije, Secretary, FirstNet, at (202) 482–0016 or uzoma@firstnet.gov at least five (5) business days before the meeting. The meetings will also be webcast. Please refer to NTIA’s Web site at http://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/firstnet for webcast instructions and other information. If you have technical questions regarding the webcast, please contact Corey Ray, at (202) 482–4809 or corey.ray@firstnet.gov.

Records: NTIA maintains records of all Board proceedings. Board minutes will be available at http://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/firstnet.
Dated: May 16, 2014.

Kathy D. Smith,
Chief Counsel, National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Patent and Trademark Office

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Elimination of Patents Search Templates


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO or Office) is eliminating the Patents Search Templates from the USPTO Web site. In 2006, the USPTO implemented Patents Search Templates, which were created to better identify the field of search, search tools, and search methodologies that should be considered each time an invention related to a particular USPC is searched. There are over 1200 search templates covering more than 600 USPC classes and subclasses. Historically, usage of the search templates by the public has been extremely low. Additionally, various aspects of the search templates, such as references to
commercial database vendor information, are in need of updating. Further, in January 2013, the USPTO launched a new classification system, the Cooperative Patent Classification (CPC) system, that is based on the International Patent Classification (IPC) system. The CPC, a joint patent classification system developed by the USPTO and the European Patent Office (EPO), incorporates the best classification practices of both the U.S. and European systems. Since CPC is a detailed, collaborative, and dynamic system that will enable patent examiners and the public to efficiently conduct thorough patent searches, the search templates will become obsolete.

DATES: Effective Date: May 21, 2014.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pinchus M. Laufer, Senior Legal Advisor, Office of Patent Legal Administration, Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy, by telephone at 571–272–7726; or by mail addressed to: Mail Stop Comments—Patents, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The search templates were created to better identify the field of search, search tools, and search methodologies which should be considered each time an invention related to a particular USPC is searched. The USPTO published a notice requesting comments on the proposed elimination of the search templates on October 30, 2013. See Request for Comments on Proposed Elimination of Patents Search Templates, 210 FR 64925 (October 30, 2013). In response, the Office received only one comment; it asserted the usefulness of the search templates in illustrating the scope of patent examination searches.

The search templates, however, are currently out-of-date since they include, for example, outdated commercial database vendor information that could be misleading for external stakeholders. Updating the search templates would require the editing of over 1200 pages and would not be an efficient use of USPTO resources, given that the templates are rarely used by the public.

Also, the search templates are indexed under USPC, which is being phased out in favor of CPC. CPC is an internationally compatible classification system that was launched in January 2013. CPC is a detailed, dynamic classification system that is based on IPC and enables patent examiners and the public to efficiently conduct thorough patent searches. As a result of the implementation of CPC, the search templates will become obsolete. CPC was jointly developed with the EPO and incorporates the best classification practices of both the U.S. and European systems. The USPTO and the EPO also believe that CPC will enhance efficiency and support work sharing initiatives with a view to reducing unnecessary duplication of work, thereby leading to enhanced patent quality and timelier examination of pending applications. Initial feedback from stakeholders confirms that the transition to CPC is a positive development. More information about CPC can be found at http://www.cooperativepatentclassification.org. Due to the factors discussed above, the Office is removing the search templates from the USPTO Web site and any references to the search templates in USPTO documentation (for example, in the Accelerated Examination FAQs) will be updated to reflect the elimination of the search templates.

Michelle K. Lee,
Deputy Under Secretary for Commerce for Intellectual Property and Deputy Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Notice of Intent To Renew Collection 3038–0026—Gross Collection of Exchange-Set Margins for Omnibus Accounts

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, the CFTC is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information listed below.

With respect to the following collection of information, the CFTC invites comments on:

• Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have a practical use;
• The accuracy of the Commission’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
• Ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control Number 3038–0026, regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, by any of the following methods:

• Agency Web site, via its Comments Online process: http://comments.cftc.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments through the Web site.
• Mail: Mark Bretscher, Division of Swap Dealer and Intermediary Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 525 W. Monroe, Suite 1100, Chicago, IL 60601.
• Hand delivery/Courier: Same as above.
• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov/search/index.jsp. Follow the instructions for submitting comments through the Portal.

Please submit your comments using only one method.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Bretscher, (312) 596–0529; FAX: (312) 596–0711; email: mbretscher@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. “Collection of information” is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, the CFTC is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information listed below.

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• Ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

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