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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Sloan or Courtney Smith, (301) 427-8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 18, 2014, notice was published in the *Federal Register* (79 FR 21900) that a request for a permit to conduct research on Weddell seals 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.*), and the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216).

Permit No. 18691-00 authorizes Dr. Williams to study sub-ice navigation and orientation of Weddell seals in the area around Ross Island, McMurdo Sound, Antarctica. In each of three annual field seasons (3 months during July-December across a 5-year project), up to 12 seals may be captured, sedated, weighed, measured, flipper tagged, blood sampled, and have ultrasound and metabolic measurements taken. Eight of those 12 animals will also be instrumented and translocated within their home range. Up to 20 Weddell seals may be incidentally disturbed and up to two Weddell seals may die during research activities during each of the three annual field seasons. Samples may be imported to the U.S. from Antarctica. The permit is valid through August 31, 2019.

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.

Dated: October 8, 2014.

Julia Harrison,

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 31, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to approximately 1:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Advisory Board will be held in Room 116 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 first session will review of NTIS performance and accomplishments in Fiscal Year 2014. The second session will focus on NTIS strategic direction in Fiscal Year 2015. A final agenda and summary of the proceedings will be posted at the 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 17, 2014.

Dated: October 7, 2014.

Bruce Borzino,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

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First Responder Network Authority Proposed Interpretations of Parts of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012

AGENCY: First Responder Network Authority, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; correction and extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) published a notice and request for comments in the *Federal Register* on September 24, 2014, titled "Proposed Interpretations of Parts of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012" (RFC). The RFC inadvertently included an imprecise summary of the proposed definition of "rural." This notice corrects that error by asking commenters to disregard that summary. FirstNet is also extending the comment period for the RFC to align with the response deadline in a related Request for Information that seeks input from interested parties on approaches to, and objectives for, establishing a nationwide interoperable public safety broadband network.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 27, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eli Veenendaal, First Responder Network Authority, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, M/S 243, Reston, VA 20192; 703-648-4167; or elijah.veenendaal@firstnet.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 24, 2014, FirstNet published a notice and request for comments in the *Federal Register*, titled "Proposed Interpretations of Parts of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012" (RFC).¹ The RFC contained an imprecise summary of the proposed definition of "rural." To correct this mistake, FirstNet requests that commenters disregard the following incorrect statement, which appears in the RFC at page 57065 of volume 79 of the *Federal Register*:

Taken collectively, the Rural Electrification Act defines the term "rural area" as a city, town, or incorporated area that has a

¹ See 79 FR 57058.