

acoustic devices that have the potential to disturb marine mammals. Because the specified activities have the potential to take marine mammals present within these action areas, the NEFSC requests authorization to take multiple species of marine mammal that may occur in these areas.

Specified Activities

The Federal Government has a responsibility to conserve and protect living marine resources in U.S. federal waters and has also entered into a number of international agreements and treaties related to the management of living marine resources in international waters outside the United States. NOAA has the primary responsibility for managing marine fin and shellfish species and their habitats, with that responsibility delegated within NOAA to NMFS.

In order to direct and coordinate the collection of scientific information needed to make informed management decisions, Congress created six Regional Fisheries Science Centers, each a distinct organizational entity and the scientific focal point within NMFS for region-based federal fisheries-related research. This research is aimed at monitoring fish stock recruitment, abundance, survival and biological rates, geographic distribution of species and stocks, ecosystem process changes, and marine ecological research. The NEFSC is the research arm of NMFS in the Greater Atlantic Region. The NEFSC conducts research and provides scientific advice to manage fisheries and conserve protected species in two geographic research areas: Occurs in the Northeast U.S. Continental Shelf LME but also occurs in the Southeast U.S.

Continental Shelf LME and Adjacent Offshore Areas

Research is aimed at monitoring fish stock recruitment, survival and biological rates, abundance and geographic distribution of species and stocks, and providing other scientific information needed to improve our understanding of complex marine ecological processes. Primary research activities include: Bottom trawl surveys to support assessments of multiple groundfish and shrimp species as well as the status of benthic habitats, pelagic trawl surveys to assess Atlantic herring and Atlantic salmon stocks, dredge and video camera surveys to assess scallop stocks and habitat recovery, longline and gillnet surveys to research life history parameters and abundance of numerous shark species, and extensive cooperative research projects designed to address current or emerging

information needs of the commercial fishing industry such as bycatch reduction efforts and development of new fisheries. Many research activities also include active acoustic systems, plankton nets, and other oceanographic equipment that provide important data on the status and trends of marine ecosystems important for various fisheries and natural resource management processes. The NEFSC proposes to administer and conduct these survey programs over the five-year period. Several of these surveys also use active acoustic devices.

A more detailed description of the fisheries research conducted by the NEFSC may be found in their application, which is available at: <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/permits/incidental/research.htm>.

Information Sought

Interested persons may submit information, suggestions, and comments concerning the NEFSC's request (see **ADDRESSES**). NMFS will consider all information, suggestions, and comments related to the request during the development of proposed regulations governing the incidental taking of marine mammals by the NEFSC, if appropriate.

Dated: December 22, 2014.

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*Director, Office of Protected Resources,
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Determination Under the Textile and Apparel Commercial Availability Provision of the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement ("CAFTA-DR Agreement")

AGENCY: The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

ACTION: Determination to add a product in unrestricted quantities to Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement.

DATES: *Effective Date:* December 29, 2014.

SUMMARY: The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements ("CITA") has determined that certain 100% polyester composite laminated fabric, as specified below, is not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the CAFTA-DR countries. The product will be added to

the list in Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement in unrestricted quantities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laurie Mease, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-2043.

For Further Information On-Line: <http://web.ita.doc.gov/tacgi/CaftaReqTrack.nsf> under "Approved Requests," Reference number: 194.2014.11.18.Fabric.ST&RforVFCorp

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: The CAFTA-DR Agreement; Section 203(o)(4) of the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act ("CAFTA-DR Implementation Act"), Public Law 109-53; the Statement of Administrative Action, accompanying the CAFTA-DR Implementation Act; and Presidential Proclamations 7987 (February 28, 2006) and 7996 (March 31, 2006).

Background

The CAFTA-DR Agreement provides a list in Annex 3.25 for fabrics, yarns, and fibers that the Parties to the CAFTA-DR Agreement have determined are not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the territory of any Party. The CAFTA-DR Agreement provides that this list may be modified pursuant to Article 3.25(4)-(5), when the President of the United States determines that a fabric, yarn, or fiber is not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the territory of any Party. See Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement; see also section 203(o)(4)(C) of the CAFTA-DR Implementation Act.

The CAFTA-DR Implementation Act requires the President to establish procedures governing the submission of a request and providing opportunity for interested entities to submit comments and supporting evidence before a commercial availability determination is made. In Presidential Proclamations 7987 and 7996, the President delegated to CITA the authority under section 203(o)(4) of CAFTA-DR Implementation Act for modifying the Annex 3.25 list. Pursuant to this authority, on September 15, 2008, CITA published modified procedures it would follow in considering requests to modify the Annex 3.25 list of products determined to be not commercially available in the territory of any Party to CAFTA-DR (*Modifications to Procedures for Considering Requests Under the Commercial Availability Provision of the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement*, 73 FR 53200) ("CITA's procedures").

On November 18, 2014, the Chairman of CITA received a request for a Commercial Availability determination (“Request”) from Sandler, Travis and Rosenberg, P.A. on behalf of VF Corp. for certain 100% polyester composite laminated fabric, as specified below. On November 20, 2014, in accordance with CITA’s procedures, CITA notified interested parties of the Request, which was posted on the dedicated Web site for CAFTA–DR Commercial Availability proceedings. In its notification, CITA advised that any Response with an Offer to Supply (“Response”) must be submitted by December 3, 2014, and any Rebuttal Comments to a Response must be submitted by December 9, 2014, in accordance with sections 6 and 7 of CITA’s procedures. No interested entity submitted a Response to the Request advising CITA of its objection to the Request and its ability to supply the subject product.

In accordance with section 203(o)(4)(C) of the CAFTA–DR Implementation Act, and section 8(c)(2) of CITA’s procedures, as no interested entity submitted a Response to object to the Request with an offer to supply the subject product, CITA has determined to add the specified fabric to the list in Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA–DR Agreement.

The subject product has been added to the list in Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA–DR Agreement in unrestricted quantities. A revised list has been posted on the dedicated Web site for CAFTA–DR Commercial Availability proceedings.

Specifications: Certain 100% Polyester Composite Laminated Fabric

Fabric Type: Composite fabric consisting of a 3-layered fleece/shell construction, woven outer layer and brushed inner layer, bonded with a PU membrane

HTS: 6001.22

Woven Face Fabric:

Fiber Content: 100% Polyester

Yarn Size (single ply, warp and filling):

Textured polyester: 323.0 to 343.0 decitex/144 F (31.0 to 29.0 Nm/144 F) (291 to 309 denier/144 F)

Thread Count: 57–61 warp ends per inch by 55–59 filling picks per inch; 22–24 warp ends per centimeter by 21–23 filling picks per centimeter

Weave type: Plain weave

Weight: 156.8 g/m² to 204.8 g/m² (4.6 to 6.0 oz./yd²)

Finish: Woven face—piece dyed and/or printed; Woven back—piece dyed

Circular Double Knit Fleece Back Pile Fabric:

Fiber content: 100% polyester

Yarn Size (single ply): 81.0 to 86.0 decitex (73.0 to 78.0 Denier) (124.0 to 116.0 Nm)

Weave type: circular double knit looped pile

Weight: 157.1 to 173.2 g/m² (4.6 to 5.1 oz./yd²)

Finish: Knit face—piece dyed; Knit back—piece dyed

Composite fabric:

Weight: 355.3 to 405.4 g/m² (10.5 to 12.0 oz./yd²)

Width: 130 cm wide (51.18 inches)

Finish: Full contact bonding

Properties:

Windproof: ASTM D737—Initial ≤ 1.0 cfm—3× Wash ≤ 1.0 cfm

Durable Water Resistant: AATCC 22—Initial ≥ 90 Points—10× Wash ≥ 70 Points

High Light Fastness: AATCC 16 Opt 3—Class 3.0 @ 40 Hours AFU

Low Range Hydrostatic: JIS1092-Initial

20,000 mm—3× Wash 20,000 mm; AATCC127-Initial 20,000 mm—3× Wash 20,000 mm

Water Vapour Permeability: JIS 1099—Initial 20,000 g/m²/24hr—3× Wash 20,000 g/m²/24hr

Water Vapour Transmission: ASTM E96 B—Initial 500 g/m²/24hr—3× Wash 500 g/m²/24hr

Remarks: Ranges above allow for a variance of up to five percent for fabric weight, thread count and three percent for yarn size.

Note: The yarn size designations describe a range of yarn specifications for yarn before knitting, dyeing and finishing of the fabric. They are intended as specifications to be followed by the mill in sourcing yarn used to produce the fabric.

Dyeing, finishing and knitting can alter the characteristic of the yarn as it appears in the finished fabric. This specification therefore includes yarns appearing in the finished fabric as finer or coarser than the designated yarn sizes provided that the variation occurs after processing of the greige yarn and production of the fabric. The specifications for the fabric apply to the fabric itself prior to cutting and sewing of the finished garment. Such processing may alter the measurements.

Joshua Teitelbaum,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION

[Docket No: CFPB–2014–0036]

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

AGENCY: Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Bureau) is proposing a new information collection titled, “Financial Coaching Program for Veterans and Low-income Consumers.”

DATES: Written comments are encouraged and must be received on or before January 28, 2015 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by the title of the information collection, OMB Control Number (see below), and docket number (see above), by any of the following methods:

- Electronic: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- OMB: Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 or fax to (202) 395–5806. Mailed or faxed comments to OMB should be to the attention of the OMB Desk Officer for the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

Please note that comments submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. In general, all comments received will become public records, including any personal information provided. Sensitive personal information, such as account numbers or social security numbers, should not be included.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Documentation prepared in support of this information collection request is available at www.reginfo.gov (this link active on the day following publication of this notice). Select “information Collection Review,” under “Currently under review, use the dropdown menu “Select Agency” and select “Consumer Financial Protection Bureau” (recent submissions to OMB will be at the top of the list). The same documentation is also available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Requests for additional information should be directed to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, (Attention: PRA Office), 1700 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20552, (202) 435–9575, or email: PRA@cfpb.gov. *Please do not submit comments to this email box.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Financial Coaching Program for Veterans and Low-income Consumers.

OMB Control Number: 3170–XXXX.

Type of Review: New collection

(Request for a new OMB control number).

Affected Public: Individuals.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,000.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 5,000.

Abstract: Beginning in early 2015, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (“CFPB” or the “Bureau”) will launch a Financial Coaching project to provide direct financial coaching services to