Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira at the Gulf Council Office (see ADDRESSES), at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.


Jeffrey N. Lonergan,
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648–X602

Marine Mammals; File No. 16109

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a major amendment to Permit No. 16109–02 has been issued to Versar, Inc. (formerly GeoMarine, Inc.) (Responsible Party: Susanne Bates), 700 International Parkway, Suite 104, Richardson, TX 75081.

ADDRESS: The permit amendment and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 3705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 427–8401; fax (301) 713–0376.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rosa L. González or Carrie Hubard, (301) 427–8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 11, 2014, notice was published in the Federal Register (79 FR 8159) that a request for an amendment Permit No. 16109–01 to conduct research on sea turtles and marine mammals had been submitted by the above-named applicant. The requested permit amendment has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.); the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222–226).

The amended permit (No. 16109–02), issued December 2, 2015, authorizes the following changes to the permit: (1) Extended the action area north and south to include all U.S. waters from Maine to Florida; (2) added aerial surveys to the research methods; (3) added takes for Blainville’s beaked whales (Mesoplodon densirostris), false killer whales (Pseudorca crassidens), hawksbill (Eretmochelys imbricata), loggerhead (Caretta caretta), Kemp’s ridley (Lepidochelys kempii), and green sea turtles (Chelonia mydas); (4) increased the number of marine mammals and sea turtles that could be harassed; and (5) changed the frequency of vessel based surveys from once per season to twice a month, year-round.

Based on the analyses in the EA, NMFS determined that issuance of the permit would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment and that preparation of an environmental impact statement was not required. That determination is documented in a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), signed on December 1, 2015.

As required by the ESA, issuance of this permit was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.


Julia Harrison,
Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed additions to and deletions from the procurement list.

SUMMARY: The Committee is proposing to add products and services to the Procurement List that will be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and delete products and a service previously furnished by such agencies.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before: 1/17/2016.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, 1401 S. Clark Street, Suite 715, Arlington, Virginia, 22202–4149.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information or to submit comments contact Barry S. Lineback, Telephone: (703) 603–7740, Fax: (703) 603–0655, or email CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 8503 (a)(2) and 41 CFR 51–2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed actions.

Additions

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, the entities of the Federal Government identified in this notice will be required to procure the products and services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

The following products and services are proposed for addition to the Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Products:

Product Name(s)—NSN(s): Pencil, Mechanical, Push Action; 7520–01–NIB–2351—Black, Fine Point (0.5 mm); 7520–01–NIB–2352—Black, Medium Point (0.7 mm).

Mandatory Source(s) of Supply: San Antonio Lighthouse for the Blind, San Antonio, TX.

Mandatory Purchase For: Total Government Requirement.

Contracting Activity: General Services Administration, New York, NY.

Distribution: C-List.

Product Name(s)—NSN(s): Kit, Pipefitter Tools—5180–00–596–1501.

Mandatory Source(s) of Supply: Industries for the Blind, Inc., West Allis, WI.

Mandatory Purchase For: 100% of requirement of the U.S. Army.

Contracting Activity: U.S. Army Tank and Automotive Command, Warren, MI.

Distribution: C-List.

Services:

Service Type: Call Center Service.