

effectively fished, and whether preliminary information supports the dredge's expected better size selectivity and reduction of bycatch. The applicant submitted a complete application for an EFP on March 22, 2016, to enable the use of the modified gear during Mid-Atlantic Access Area fishing trips. The EFP would authorize exemptions for one commercial vessel from the scallop dredge gear restriction of no more than seven rows in the apron at 50 CFR 648.51(b)(4)(iv); the scallop observer program requirement at § 648.11(g); and would temporarily exempt the participating vessel from possession limits and minimum size requirements specified in 50 CFR part 648, subsections B and D through O, for sampling purposes only. Any fishing activity conducted outside the scope of the exempted fishing activity would be prohibited, including landing fish in excess of a possession limit or below the minimum size.

One vessel would conduct scallop dredging in May 2016–October 2016 on three trips in the Mid-Atlantic Access Area. All trips would fish two 13-foot (3.96-m) Turtle Deflector Dredges, towed for an average duration of 50 minutes. Each trip would complete approximately 150 tows for an overall total of 450 tows. One dredge would be rigged with an industry standard bag comprised of 7 rows of rings from the twine top to the terminus, while the other would be rigged with an experimental “box bag” configuration. The experimental bag will consist of two 3-ring wide side panels and one 3-ring wide rear panel all connecting the topside of the bag to the underside creating a box-like bag. Both dredges would use 4-inch (10.16-cm) rings, 10-inch (25.40-cm) twine top, and turtle chain mats.

For all tows, the scallop catch would be kept separated by dredge and placed into baskets, counted and weighed using a certified electronic scale. The captain and crew would then count the number of scallops contained in a minimum of one basket from each dredge, enabling them to measure the size selectivity of each dredge. Generally, the greater the number of scallops in a basket, within a reasonable range allowing for variance in how the crew fill baskets, the smaller the scallops are in size. This is a quick and simple method to gauge whether or not the experimental dredge is achieving larger size selectivity without having shell height measuring tools. If this proof of concept study preliminarily shows positive results and the applicant would like to continue research with the experimental dredge, we would require a more scientifically

sound method to measure scallop shell height. Crew would sort the finfish catch by species and then count and weigh them. Depending on the volume of scallops and finfish captured, the catch would be subsampled if necessary. Finfish catch not retained for sale would not be kept on deck for longer than needed to conduct sampling. Exemption from possession limit and minimum sizes would support catch sampling activities, and ensure the vessel is not in conflict with possession regulations while collecting catch data. All catch above a possession limit or below a minimum size would be discarded as soon as practicable following data collection. The vessel would be exempt from the sea scallop observer program requirements because the gear used is not typical of gear used during normal commercial fishing operations. All trips would otherwise be conducted in a manner consistent with normal commercial fishing conditions, and catch consistent with the Limited Access possession limits for the Mid-Atlantic Access Area would be retained for sale.

If approved, the applicant may request minor modifications and extensions to the EFP throughout the year. EFP modifications and extensions may be granted without further notice if they are deemed essential to facilitate completion of the proposed research and have minimal impacts that do not change the scope or impact of the initially approved EFP request. Any fishing activity conducted outside the scope of the exempted fishing activity would be prohibited.

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

Dated: May 19, 2016.

Emily H. Menashes,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Renewal of the Market Risk Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Futures Trading Commission (Commission) is publishing this notice to announce the renewal of the Market Risk Advisory Committee (MRAC). The Commission has determined that the renewal of the MRAC is necessary and in the public's

interest, and the Commission has consulted with the General Services Administration's Committee Management Secretariat regarding the MRAC's renewal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Petal Walker, MRAC Designated Federal Officer, at 202–418–5794 or pwalker@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The MRAC's objectives and scope of activities are to conduct public meetings and submit reports and recommendations to the Commission on: (1) Systemic issues that impact the stability of the derivatives markets and other related financial markets; and (2) the impact and implications of the evolving market structure of the derivatives markets and other related financial markets. The MRAC will also advise and make recommendations on monitoring and managing systemic risk and on ensuring the integrity of the derivatives markets and other related financial markets to support the Commission's mission. The MRAC will operate for two years from the date of renewal unless the Commission directs that the MRAC terminate on an earlier date. A copy of the MRAC renewal charter has been filed with the Commission; the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry; the House Committee on Agriculture; the Library of Congress; and the General Services Administration's Committee Management Secretariat. A copy of the renewal charter will be posted on the Commission's Web site at www.cftc.gov.

Dated: May 20, 2016.

Christopher J. Kirkpatrick,

Secretary of the Commission.

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BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION

Consumer Advisory Board Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the announcement of a public meeting of the Consumer Advisory Board (CAB or Board) of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau). The notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of the meeting is permitted by section 9 of the CAB Charter and is intended to notify the public of this meeting. Specifically, Section 9(d) of the CAB Charter states:

(1) Each meeting of the Board shall be open to public observation, to the extent that a facility is available to accommodate the public, unless the Bureau, in accordance with paragraph (4) of this section, determines that the meeting shall be closed. The Bureau also will make reasonable efforts to make the meetings available to the public through live web streaming. (2) Notice of the time, place and purpose of each meeting, as well as a summary of the proposed agenda, shall be published in the **Federal Register** not more than 45 or less than 15 days prior to the scheduled meeting date. Shorter notice may be given when the Bureau determines that the Board's business so requires; in such event, the public will be given notice at the earliest practicable time. (3) Minutes of meetings, records, reports, studies, and agenda of the Board shall be posted on the Bureau's Web site (www.consumerfinance.gov). (4) The Bureau may close to the public a portion of any meeting, for confidential discussion. If the Bureau closes a meeting or any portion of a meeting, the Bureau will issue, at least annually, a summary of the Board's activities during such closed meetings or portions of meetings.

DATES: The meeting date is Thursday, June 9, 2016, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. central standard time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location is the Statehouse Convention Center, Ballroom D, 101 E Markham Street, Little Rock, AR 72201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Crystal Dully, Outreach and Engagement Associate, 202-435-9588, CFPB_CABandCouncilsEvents@cfpb.gov, Consumer Advisory Board and Councils Office, External Affairs, 1275 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20002.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 1014(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (http://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201501_cfpb_charter-of-the-consumer-advisory-board.pdf) (Dodd-Frank Act) provides:

The Director shall establish a Consumer Advisory Board to advise and consult with the Bureau in the exercise of its functions under the Federal consumer financial laws, and to provide information on emerging practices in the consumer financial products or services industry, including regional trends, concerns, and other relevant information.

(a) The purpose of the Board is outlined in Section 1014(a) of the Dodd-Frank Act (http://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201501_cfpb_charter-of-the-consumer-advisory-board.pdf), which states that the Board shall "advise and consult with the Bureau in the exercise of its functions under the Federal consumer financial laws" and "provide information on

emerging practices in the consumer financial products or services industry, including regional trends, concerns, and other relevant information." (b) To carry out the Board's purpose, the scope of its activities shall include providing information, analysis, and recommendations to the Bureau. The Board will generally serve as a vehicle for market intelligence and expertise for the Bureau. Its objectives will include identifying and assessing the impact on consumers and other market participants of new, emerging, and changing products, practices, or services. (c) The Board will also be available to advise and consult with the Director and the Bureau on other matters related to the Bureau's functions under the Dodd-Frank Act.

II. Agenda

The Consumer Advisory Board will discuss an auto lending education initiative, trends and themes, and payday lending.

Persons who need a reasonable accommodation to participate should contact CFPB_504Request@cfpb.gov, 202-435-9EEO, 1-855-233-0362, or 202-435-9742 (TTY) at least ten business days prior to the meeting or event to request assistance. The request must identify the date, time, location, and title of the meeting or event, the nature of the assistance requested, and contact information for the requester. CFPB will strive to provide, but cannot guarantee that accommodation will be provided for late requests.

Individuals who wish to attend the Consumer Advisory Board meeting must RSVP to cfpb_cabandcouncilsevents@cfpb.gov by noon, June 8, 2016. Members of the public must RSVP by the due date and must include "CAB" in the subject line of the RSVP.

III. Availability

The Board's agenda will be made available to the public on May 25, 2016, via www.consumerfinance.gov. Individuals should express in their RSVP if they require a paper copy of the agenda.

A recording and transcript of this meeting will be available after the meeting on the CFPB's Web site www.consumerfinance.gov.

Dated: May 19, 2016.

Christopher D'Angelo,
Chief of Staff, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Army Science Board Request for Information on Robotic and Autonomous Systems-of-Systems Technology Initiatives; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The comment period for the Army Science Board Request for Information on Robotic and Autonomous Systems-of-Systems (RAS) Technology Initiatives notice published in the **Federal Register** on Monday, May 16, 2016 (81 FR 30264), required comment packages be submitted by Friday, May 27, 2016. The comment period has been extended to Tuesday, June 14, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LTC Stephen K. Barker at stephen.k.barker.mil@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

Brenda S. Bowen,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Termination of the National Commission on the Future of the Army

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Termination of Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce that it is terminating the National Commission on the Future of the Army, effective April 28, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703-692-5952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 17062 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. "Buck" McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Pub. L. 113-291), as amended by Section 1061 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Pub. L. 114-92), the Department of Defense terminated the National Commission on the Future of the Army on April 28, 2016.