MMPA for the construction and operation of the Neptune LNG Port facility. For the subject IHA, NMFS reviewed the FEIS to ensure that the analysis contained in that document accurately describes and analyzes the impacts to the human environment of NMFS’ action of issuing an MMPA authorization for the maintenance, repair, and decommissioning of the Neptune Port. NMFS has determined that the FEIS sufficiently covers the activities considered in the subject IHA. NMFS issued an amended Record of Decision for issuance of authorizations pursuant to sections 101(a)(5)(D) of the MMPA specific to maintenance, repair, and decommissioning.

**Authorization**
NMFS has issued an IHA to Neptune for the potential harassment of small numbers of 14 marine mammal species incidental to maintenance, repair, and decommissioning of their Port in Massachusetts Bay, which includes required mitigation, monitoring and reporting measures.

Dated: October 7, 2016.
Donna S. Wieting,
Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Agenda**
The Groundfish Advisory Panel will discuss Framework Adjustment 56 (FW 56) Specifications and Management Measures. They also plan to discuss draft measures and draft impact analysis for FW 56 and make recommendations to the Groundfish Committee. Other business will be discussed as necessary. 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 this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council’s intent to take final action to address the emergency.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Agenda**
The Scallop Advisory Panel will review Framework 28 (FW 28) alternatives and analyses and make final recommendations. FW 28 will set specifications including ABC/ACLs, DAS, access area allocations for LA and LAGC, hard-TAC for NGOM management area, target-TAC for LAGC incidental catch and set-asides for the observer and research programs for fishing year 2017 and default specifications for fishing year 2018. Management measures in FW 28 may include but are not limited to: (1) Measures to restrict the possession of shell stock inshore of 42°20’ N.; (2) Measures to apply spatial management to fishery specifications (ACL flowchart); and (3) Measures to modify the Closed Area I access area boundary, consistent with potential changes to habitat and groundfish mortality closed areas. They will also review and potentially provide input on 2017 scallop work priorities. Other business will be discussed as necessary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
RIN 0648–XE957
New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting
AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and
Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.
ACTION: Notice; public meeting.
SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is
scheduling a public meeting of its Groundfish Committee to consider
actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).
Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal
consideration and action, if appropriate.
DATES: This meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at 9:30
a.m.
ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Radisson Airport Hotel, 2081 Post
Road, Warwick, RI 02886; phone: (401) 739–3000.
Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water
Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director,
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Agenda
The Groundfish Committee will receive reports from the Recreational
Advisory Panel and Groundfish Advisory Panel. They plan to discuss
Framework Adjustment 56 (FW 56) Specifications and Management
Measures. They will also discuss draft measures and draft impact analysis for
FW 56 and make recommendations on preferred alternatives to the Council.
Other business will be discussed as necessary.
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the meeting date.
Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.
Dated: October 11, 2016.
Tracey L. Thompson,
Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request
The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and
Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of
information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C.
Chapter 35).
Title: Pacific Coast Groundfish Trawl Rationalization Program Permit and
License Information Collection.
OMB Control Number: 0648–0620.
Form Number(s): None.
Type of Request: Regular (revision and extension of a currently approved
information collection).
Number of Respondents: 410.
Average Hours per Response: QS permit/account application form—30
minutes; QS permit/account online renewal—10 minutes; QS permit/
account late renewal form—15 minutes; QS transfer—10 minutes; QP transfer
from QS account to vessel account—8 minutes; vessel account registration
request—15 minutes; vessel account online renewal—10 minutes; vessel
account late renewal form—15 minutes; QP transfer from vessel account to
another vessel account—8 minutes; travel identification of ownership
interest form for new entrants—45 minutes; travel identification of
ownership interest form for renewals—5 minutes; first receiver site license
application form for new entrants—210 minutes; first receiver site license
application form for re-registering license holders—110 minutes; mothership
permit renewal form—20 minutes; mothership permit change of vessel registration, permit owner, or
vessel owner application form—45 minutes; mothership cooperative permit application form—240 minutes; change of
mothership catcher vessel endorsement and catch history
assignment registration form—45 minutes; mutual agreement exception—
60 minutes; mothership withdrawal—120 minutes; catcher/processor
cooperative permit application form—120 minutes; QS abandonment
request—10 minutes.
Burden Hours: 406.
Needs and Uses: This request is for revision and extension of a currently
approved information collection.
The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, 16
U.S.C. 1801 et seq., provides that the Secretary of Commerce is responsible for
the conservation and management of marine fisheries resources in the
Exclusive Economic Zone (3–200 miles) of the United States. NMFS West Coast
Region manages the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery in the Exclusive
Economic Zone (EEZ) off of Washington, Oregon, and California under the Pacific Coast Groundfish
Fishery Management Plan.
In January 2011, NMFS implemented a trawl rationalization program, which
is a catch share program, for the Pacific Coast Groundfish Limited Entry Trawl
Fishery. The program was implemented through Amendments 20 and 21 to the
Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan and the
corresponding implementing regulations at 50 CFR part 660.
Amendment 20 established the trawl rationalization program that consists of:
An individual fishing quota (IFQ) program for the shorebased trawl fleet
(including whiting and nonwhiting sectors), and cooperative programs for the
at-sea mothership and catcher/processor trawl fleets (whiting only).
Amendment 21 set long-term allocations for the limited entry trawl sectors of
certain groundfish species.
Under the trawl rationalization program, new permits, accounts, endorments and licenses were
established. These consist of: quota share (QS) permits/accounts, vessel
accounts, first receiver site licenses, mothership endorsements on certain
limited entry trawl permits, mothership
catcher vessel endorsements on certain limited entry trawl permits, catcher/
processor endorsements on certain

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Dated: October 11, 2016.
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