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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Announcing a Workshop on Storage and Processor Card-based Technologies

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

ACTION: Notice of public workshop.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) announces a workshop to identify current and planned Federal government activities and related needs, general issues, existing voluntary industry consensus standards, gap areas in standards coverage, and industry capabilities in the field of storage and processor card technologies. It is anticipated that the workshop will support development of a standards roadmap, and a guideline on storage and processor card technologies to include multitechnology composition issues. The goal of this initial workshop is to develop and exchange information on the standards for and capabilities of multitechnology storage and processor cards. This workshop is not being held in anticipation of a planned procurement activity. The detailed draft agenda and supporting documentation for the workshop will be available from the NIST Computer Security Resource Center Web site at <http://csrc.nist.gov> by May 9, 2003.

DATES: The workshop will be held on July 8, 2003, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. It is anticipated that this will be a one-day workshop, but provisions are being made to support a second day in case the response to this announcement supports an expanded agenda.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held in the Administration Building (Bldg. 101), Green Auditorium, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Further information, when available, may be obtained from the Computer Security Resource Center Web site at <http://csrc.nist.gov> or by contacting Terry Schwarzhoff or Curt Barker, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Building 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 8930, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-

8930; telephone 301-975-5727; Fax 301-948-1233, or e-mail terry.schwarzhoff@nist.gov or wbarker@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Many technologies, such as optical stripe media, barcodes, magnetic stripes, contactless integrated chips, and the smart card integrated circuit chip have been implemented on card platforms. Voluntary industry consensus standards for many of these technologies are already available, but have not been integrated (directly or by reference) into one single document for use by federal agencies. This roadmap would provide a reference to the existing standards for these card technologies and help identify gap areas for the wider card technology community. Many card platforms include anti-counterfeit elements to increase the security of the physical platform. Some examples of these are holograms, optical variable devices (OVDs), laser etching, and ghost/shadow printing, but again have not been addressed in a single document with respect to integration with card technologies.

The General Accounting Office recently issued a report on "Progress in Promoting Adoption of Smart Card Technology" (GAO-03-144, February 5, 2003). The Report provides a set of Recommendations (pp. 35) that reinforce the role of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in the U.S. Government Smart Card (GSC) program. The report recommends that the Director, NIST, continue to improve and update the government smart card interoperability specification by addressing government-wide standards for additional technologies to ensure broad interoperability among federal agency systems. A key NIST response to the GAO recommendation is to develop a guideline that addresses applicable standards for multiple technologies that can coexist on card platforms.

NIST will lead an effort to develop a document/technical report as a roadmap/guideline, in coordination with other agencies and private industry.

The initial workshop is being held to identify the state of candidate technologies and to provide the basis for development of guidelines. Workshop topics are planned to include:

- Current government card-related activities/needs,
- card-based technology attributes,
- industry activities
- card related voluntary industry consensus standards

—and multitechnology interoperability issues.

Advance registration is required. To register, please fax your name, address, telephone, fax and e-mail address to 301-926-2733 (Attn: Card-Based Technology Workshop) by June 9, 2003. Registration by electronic mail should be addressed to vickie.harris@nist.gov. Registration questions should be addressed to Vickie Harris on 301-975-2934. Due to NIST security regulations regarding access to this site, registration will not be available at the door. The workshop will be open to the public.

Authority

This work effort is being initiated pursuant to NIST's responsibilities under the Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002, the Information Technology Management Reform Act of 1996, Executive Order 13011, and OMB Circular A-130.

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Karen H. Brown,

Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Coastal Nonpoint Pollution Control Program: Proposed Findings Document

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, and the Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed findings document on conditional approval of coastal nonpoint pollution control program for Texas.

SUMMARY: Second notice is hereby given of the intent to conditionally approve the Texas Coastal Nonpoint Pollution Control Program (coastal nonpoint program) and notice is hereby given of the availability of the revised Proposed Findings Document on the conditional approval. Section 6217 of the Coastal Zone Act Reauthorization Amendments (CZARA) 16 U.S.C. section 1455b, requires States and Territories with coastal zone management programs that have received approval under section 306 of the Coastal Zone Management Act to develop and implement coastal nonpoint programs. Coastal States and

Territories were required to submit their coastal nonpoint programs to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for approval. The Findings Document was prepared by NOAA and EPA to provide the rationale for the agencies' decision to approve each State and Territory coastal nonpoint pollution control program. NOAA and EPA have proposed to approve, with conditions, the coastal nonpoint pollution control program submitted by Texas.

On September 28, 2001, the first **Federal Register** notice of NOAA's and EPA's intent to conditionally approve the Texas Coastal Nonpoint Program and the availability of the Proposed Findings Document, Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact was published. Subsequent to the notice being published, Texas requested additional time to provide additional information and address some of the conditions before the findings were finalized. Texas was able to meet several of the conditions, and NOAA and EPA have revised the Proposed Findings Document accordingly. The following changes have been made to the Proposed Findings Document: (1) the enforceable policy element of the conditions for agriculture, forestry, urban (new development, site development, existing development, watershed protection, and roads, highways and bridges), marinas, and hydromodification has been met through the State's submission of a revised legal opinion. (2) The condition for the urban construction site chemical control, roads, highways and bridges (construction projects and construction site chemical control), and hydromodification (dams) erosion and sediment control and chemical and pollutant control management measures have been addressed through issuance of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase II permit. (3) NOAA and EPA have reinstated the previously excluded agricultural dryland rowcrop area subject to receiving additional information to support its exclusion. (4) An alternative for addressing the urban new and existing development management measures condition has been proposed that would allow Texas to finalize its State NPDES rules to ensure that they are required throughout the 6217 management area. (5) The findings for the roads, highways and bridges management measures (planning, siting, development, operation and maintenance, and runoff

systems management measures) were revised to clarify that the condition applies only to roads, highways and bridges that are not under the jurisdiction of the Texas Department of Transportation.

Copies of the revised Proposed Findings Document may be found on the NOAA Web site at <http://www.ocrm.nos.noaa.gov/czm/6217/> or may be obtained upon request from: Helen Farr, Coastal Programs Division (N/ORM3), Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOS, NOAA, 1305 East-Fast Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland, 20910, phone (301) 713-3155, x150 e-mail helen.farr@noaa.gov.

DATES: Individuals or organizations wishing to submit comments on the proposed Findings Document should do so by May 7, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be made to: John King, Acting Chief, Coastal Programs Division (N/ORM3), Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOS, NOAA, 1305 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland, 20910, phone (301) 713-3155, x188, e-mail john.king@noaa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Helen Farr, Coastal Programs Division (N/ORM3), Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOS, NOAA, 1305 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland, 20910, phone (301) 713-3155, x150, e-mail helen.farr@noaa.gov. (Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog 11.419 Coastal Zone Management Program Administration)

Dated: March 31, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Groundfish Stock Assessment Review (STAR) Panel for bocaccio and black rockfish will hold a work session which is open to the public.

DATES: The bocaccio and black rockfish STAR Panel will meet beginning at 10 a.m., April 21, 2003. The meeting will continue on April 22, 2003 beginning at 8 a.m. through April 25, 2003. The meetings will end at 5 p.m. each day, or as necessary to complete business.

ADDRESSES: The bocaccio and black rockfish STAR Panel meeting will be held at NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center, Santa Cruz Laboratory Conference Room, 110 Shaffer Road, Santa Cruz, CA 95060; telephone: 831-420-3900.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John DeVore, Groundfish Staff Officer; 503-820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to review draft stock assessment documents and any other pertinent information, work with the Stock Assessment Team to make necessary revisions, and produce a STAR Panel report for use by the Councilfamily and other interested persons.

Entry to the Southwest Fisheries Science Center requires identification with photograph (such as a student ID, state drivers license, etc.).

Although nonemergency issues not contained in STAR Panel agendas may come before the STAR panel for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal panel action during this meeting. STAR Panel 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the panel's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at 503-820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.