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November 14, 2005

#### BY HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Stephen L. Leathery, Chief Permits, Conservation and Education Division Office of Protected Resources National Marine Fisheries Service 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705 Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Re: Application for a Permit for Public Display Under the Marine Mammal Protection Act

Dear Mr. Leathery:

Please find enclosed one signed original and two signed copies of the application of Squalus, Inc. for a permit to import four (4) captive-born South American (Patagonian) sea lions (<u>Otaria flavescens</u>, sometimes also referred to as <u>Otaria byronia</u>) for purposes of public display. Also enclosed to facilitate your review is an electronic version of the application on disc (with text in Word format and exhibits in PDF format).

If there are items missing or you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (941) 322-2426 or (941) 704-2819.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Márco Peters President

**Enclosures** 

# APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT FOR PUBLIC DISPLAY UNDER THE MARINE MAMMAL PROTECTION ACT

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# I. Application for a Permit for Public Display under the Marine Mammal Protection Act

Squalus, Inc. ("Squalus" or "Applicant") requests authorization under the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, 16 U.S.C. § 1361, et seq. (the "MMPA"), and its implementing regulations, 50 C.F.R. Part 216, Subchapter D, to import four (4) South American (Patagonian) sea lions (Otaria flavescens, sometimes also referred to as Otaria byronia) from Park Atlantis, Mexico City, Mexico, to its facility in Myakka City, Florida, for purposes of public display.

## II. Date of the Application

November 14, 2005

## III. Applicant

Applicant is a corporation organized under the laws of Florida in 1993. Its mailing address is:

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Its physical address is:

36302 Singletary Road Myakka City, Florida 34251

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## IV. Description of the Marine Mammals and the Proposed Activity

#### A. Statement of Work

Applicant is requesting authorization to import four (4) Patagonian sea lions for public display, to add to its existing inventory of two California sea lions and two Patagonian sea lions. These sea lions will be a major part of Squalus' educational programs for the general public. These programs not only describe the biology and behavior of sea lions but also include information on protecting the marine environment. Squalus' educational programs are open to all age groups of the general public. Squalus offers, in addition, educational programs for schools and other organizations. Over three hundred thousand (300,000) visitors have the opportunity to view educational and entertaining presentations involving Squalus' sea lions every year.

#### B. Summary of Marine Mammals to be Taken, Imported, or Exported

#### 1. Four (4) Patagonian sea lions

Name	ID No.	Sex	Size	Weight	Date of
	(Microchip)				Birth
BRUCE	982009100084160	Male	163 cm	122 kg	13/12/02
ROSE	982009100172755	Female	153 cm	93 kg	04/12/02
KITTY	982009100221647	Female	142 cm	74 kg	10/12/02
KIM	982009100052242	Female	144 cm	76 kg	08/12/02

All four (4) Patagonian sea lions are juveniles. The three females are not pregnant or lactating and have not reached sexual maturity.

All four (4) Patagonian sea lions were born in captivity at Rancho Aventura, San Luis, Canelones, Uruguay. The official January 24, 2005 Uruguayan health certificate from the Ministerio de Ganadaria, Agricultura y Pesca ("MGAP"), Direccion Nacional de Recursos Acuaticos ("DINARA"), and January 14, 2005 Origin and Health Certificate from MGAP officially registered veterinarian Dr. Francisco Patino Larre Borges, the former in English and Spanish, and the latter in Spanish, together with an English translation, are annexed as APPENDIX A.

- 2. This import request does not include marine mammal parts.
- 3. This permit is for the importation of captive-born sea lions currently housed at another zoological facility and will not involve, affect or take marine mammals from the wild. It will thus have no impact upon this species or its ecosystem. It is important to note in this regard that, as of November 15, 2004,

Uruguay has prohibited the collection of sea lions from the wild. A September 21, 2005 certificate of this ban is provided from MGAP officially registered veterinarian Dr. Francisco Patińo Larre Borges and is attached as APPENDIX B. In addition, as reflected in the letter from Park Atlantis, dated November 7, 2005, and attached as APPENDIX C, Park Atlantis currently holds four other male and eight other female Patagonian sea lions that are breeding well in captivity, and it has no plans to replace Bruce, Rose, Kitty and Kim once they are transferred to Squalus. As a result, granting this application will not increase pressure in Mexico to obtain Patagonian sea lions in the wild.

#### Status of the Stocks

Patagonian sea lion stocks are healthy. The species is not designated as "depleted" under the MMPA, is not listed as either "threatened" or "endangered" under the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. § 1531, et seq. (the "ESA"), and has no special status under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora ("CITES"). The World Conservation Union (also known as "IUCN") rates the species at "lower risk/least concern." IUCN 2004, 2004 IUCN Red List of Threatened Species, retrieved September 28, 2005, www.redlist.org.

Patagonian sea lions are distributed along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of South America from the northern limits of Peru, south to Tierra del Fuego, the Falkland Islands and north along the Atlantic coast to Isla de Torres off the coast of southeastern Brazil. Seal Conservation Society, *South American Sea Lion*, retrieved September 21, 2005,

http://www.pinnipeds.org/species/samslion.htm; see also Randall R. Reeves, Brent S. Stewart, Phillip J. Clapham and James A. Powell, National Audubon Society Guide to Marine Mammals of the World 107 (Alfred A. Knopf, Inc. 2002). The total population is estimated at approximately 265,000 animals, with approximately 12,000-15,000 in Uruguay. MarineBio.Org., South American Sea Lion – Otaria flavescens, retrieved September 21, 2005, http://marinebio.org/species.asp?id=311. Interactions with commercial fisheries led Uruguayan fishermen to call in 1997 for a cull of sea lions to protect fisheries. Seal Conservation Society, South American Sea Lion, retrieved September 21, 2005,

http://www.pinnipeds.org/species/samslion.htm. However, the Uruguayan National Institute of Marine Fisheries has stated that it has no intention of carrying out such a cull. *Id.* Similarly, the Peruvian Fisheries Ministry has rejected requests to cull populations off the coast of Peru. *Id.* Some interactions with fisheries may result in incidental entanglement or intentional shooting of sea lions by fishermen, though the extent of such interactions is difficult to quantify. *Id.* Patagonian sea lions are likely facing increasing levels of mortality due to a rise in trawl and drift gillnet fisheries. In such

circumstances, entanglements in such gear, as well as intentional shooting of sea lions, represent a significant and current problem.

#### C. <u>Description of the Proposed Activity</u>

- 1. The four (4) Patagonian sea lions will be imported from Park Atlantis, Mexico City, Mexico, to Squalus' facility, located at 36302 Singletary Road, Myakka City, Florida. The port of entry will be Laredo, Texas, U.S.A.
- 2. Applicant requests authorization to import these four (4) Patagonian sea lions as soon as possible. It requests that the import permit be valid for a minimum of twelve (12) months from the date it is issued, or until the importation is complete.
- 3. As specified in Section IV.B.1, the sea lions to be imported are four (4) Patagonian sea lions, each of which is three (3) years old. These sea lions are identified by the names Bruce, Rose, Kitty and Kim. The sea lions were born in captivity at Rancho Aventura, San Luis, Canelones, Uruguay, in 2002. They were housed at that facility until January 26, 2005. On January 26, 2005, they were transported to Park Atlantis, Mexico City, Mexico, a facility operated by Zoo-Mar S. de R.L. De. C.V. ("Zoo-Mar"), where they have been housed since such time. Squalus will assume full care, custody and control of the sea lions once they leave the facility in Mexico City. As noted in Section IV.B.1, official, Uruguayan certificates of health and origin are annexed as APPENDIX A.

#### D. If Marine Mammals are to be Collected from the Wild

N/A (The sea lions to be imported were captive-born.)

#### E. Taking of Marine Mammal Parts

N/A (This import request does not include marine mammal parts.)

#### F. Effects of the Proposed Activity

There are no adverse impacts on the individual sea lions, the species as whole, the marine environment or the human environment anticipated as a result of the importation of the four (4) Patagonian sea lions into the United States. The importation of these sea lions for public display will, pursuant to the MMPA, help educate the general public on the concerns relating to marine mammals and the marine environment. With the limited number of these sea lions in the United States, these sea lions will add important genetic diversity to the population. These sea lions are captive-born and are currently housed in a zoological

environment. The importation will not affect wild stocks or the marine ecosystem.

#### 1. Effects on the Individual Sea lions.

There are no adverse effects on the sea lions anticipated as a result of the importation. As detailed herein, the transport will be conducted in accordance with professionally accepted standards. The transport will comply with all applicable Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service ("APHIS") standards for the transport of marine mammals. Post-transport management and medical treatment will provide these sea lions with the care they need to address both their physical and psychological needs.

#### 2. <u>Impact on the Species</u>

The importation will have no impact on species in the wild. The sea lions to be imported were captive-born in 2002. Moreover, to the best of Applicant's knowledge, information and belief, the export of these sea lions from Uruguay in 2005 has not resulted, and will not result, in any efforts to replace these sea lions through captures in the wild. Indeed, as explained in Section IV.B.3 and documented in APPENDIX B, Uruguay has banned the collection of Patagonian sea lions in the wild. Further, as documented in APPENDIX C, their transfer from Mexico to the United States will not have any such effects.

#### 3. Impact on the Marine Environment

There will be no impact on the marine environment as there will be no removal of sea lions from the wild associated with this import.

#### 4. Impact on the Human Environment

Issuance of this permit will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment:

- 1. There will be no adverse impacts on the environment resulting from this importation as the sea lions were all captive-born and are currently housed in a zoological environment in Mexico.
- 2. The importation will not affect public health or safety. There will be no risk to the public health because of the importation. There will be no threat to public safety from the transport as the general public will not be involved. The transportation will be done by trained professionals.
- 3. There are no unique characteristics of a geographic region affected by the importation.

4. The effect of the importation on the quality of the human environment is not likely to be highly controversial as the sea lions were all captive-born and are currently housed in a zoological environment in Mexico. The importation is in furtherance of the policy of the MMPA to allow for the public display of marine mammals. The House Resources Committee, in its 2004 report on the reauthorization of the Marine Mammal Protection Act, states the following:

The Committee commends the public display community for its role in the conservation and management of marine mammals. Activities sponsored by public display facilities – research, educational programs and presentations, animal husbandry, breeding, and rescue and rehabilitation – are important aspects to the conservation of marine mammals. The rescue and rehabilitation programs run by these facilities are critical to the survival of stranded animals and for many years participating institutions ran these programs using their own funds. In addition, these facilities play an invaluable role for the general public. These public display facilities are the only place for many Americans to view marine mammals and learn about the conservation needs of these animals. The Committee believes the interactions provided at these facilities generate the general public's good will toward marine mammals and develops their support for conservation and management measures for these and many other ocean creatures.

#### H.R. Report No. 108-464, at 21 (2004).

- 5. There are no uncertain, unique, or unknown risks from the import. Patagonian sea lions have been maintained in public display for many years, and the proper procedures for doing so are well established. This is reflected in Squalus' unblemished record of caring for Patagonian sea lions for many years, consistent with all APHIS requirements.
- 6. Approval of the permit application does not constitute a precedent for future actions with significant effects on the human environment, nor does it represent a decision in principle about a future issue.
- 7. This importation is not part of a cumulatively significant impact.
- 8. There is no impact from the import on any protected scientific, cultural, or historic sites or resources.
- 9. Patagonian sea lions, as noted above, are not listed under the ESA and, therefore, there is no impact on species protected under that statute.

10. The proposed import will not violate any federal, state, or local law.

In light of these considerations, Applicant believes that the proposed import meets the criteria for a Categorical Exclusion from review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. § 4321, et seq. ("NEPA"), in accordance with NOAA Administrative Order 216-6 (the "NAO"). Under Section 6.03f.2(a) of the NAO, permits for public display in general are deemed to qualify for a Categorical Exclusion. Where, as here, what is involved is simply a transfer of captive-born sea lions from one institution to another, with no impacts on wild stocks, and none of the exceptions to Categorical Exclusions specified in Section 5.05c. of the NAO applies, no useful purpose is served by further, detailed environmental review under NEPA.

#### V. Import Requirements

A. The four (4) Patagonian sea lions will be transported under the direct supervision of Squalus' professional staff with extensive experience in the transport, medical care and management of sea lions. Squalus has been transporting Patagonian sea lions throughout the United States since 1997. The names and qualifications of some of the individuals are listed below. Of those listed, Marco Peters and Philip Peters will accompany the animals throughout their transport from Mexico City to Myakka City, Florida. Drs. Jose Luis Solorzano Velasco and Alexandro Hernedez will accompany the animals from Mexico City to the Mexican border. Dr. Solorzano Velasco may also accompany the animals to Myakka City, Florida. Dr. David Murphy will not accompany the animals in the United States but will be able to be contacted as specified in the transport plan. Other listed individuals are available to join the transport vehicle if needed.

Marco Peters

President, Squalus, Inc.

28 years animal care experience, including 12 years experience with marine animals, and 7 years of experience with training and caring for marine mammals, including Patagonian sea lions.

#### Veterinarians In Mexico:

Dr. Jose Luis Solorzano Velasco Calle Charco Azul No. 35, Col. Mixcoac. Delegacion Benito Juarez Mexico D.F., Mexico Telephone: 0115552510192773 Dr. Alexandro Hernedez Calle Charco Azul No. 35, Col. Mixcoac. Delegacion Benito Juarez Mexico D.F., Mexico Telephone: 0115255445531215711

#### Veterinarian in the USA:

Dr. David Murphy c/o Lowry Park Zoological Garden 1101 W. Sligh Avenue Tampa, Florida 33604-5958 Telephone: (813) 935-8552 x220

These individuals may be assisted by additional qualified professionals, including, without limitation, the following Squalus staff:

#### Squalus Staff

#### Philip Peters

17 years animal care experience, including 7 years of experience with training and caring for marine mammals, including Patagonian sea lions.

#### Kathi Peters

Trainer; 22 years animal care experience, including 7 years experience with training and caring for marine mammals, including Patagonian sea lions.

#### Bryan Blake

Head trainer; 3 years with Squalus and 17 years of experience with training and caring for marine mammals, including Patagonian sea lions.

#### Kevin Wright

Head maintenance manager; 10 years with Squalus, including 7 years of experience with training and caring for marine mammals, including Patagonian sea lions.

#### Lou Mann

Trainer; 5 years with Squalus, all involving experience with training and caring for marine mammals, including Patagonian sea lions.

B. The four (4) Patagonian sea lions will be transported in a specially designed and constructed mobile facility from Mexico City to Squalus' home facility in Myakka City, Florida. None of Squalus' other sea lions will be in the facility during the transport. The mobile facility is hauled on an eighteen wheel truck. The mobile facility, which is described in greater detail in Section VII, *infra*, is

made of durable non-toxic plastic which cannot be chewed and/or swallowed. It is able to withstand the normal rigors of transportation and has no protrusions on the inside. It is constructed so no parts of the animal are exposed to the outside which can cause injuries to the sea lions. It has openings to provide access to the animal if necessary. The openings are secured with locking devices. The container has cross air inlets to give the animal plenty of fresh air and these openings cannot be sealed up in case the container is placed against a wall. The container has four (4) hand holds for lifting and securing. While the truck is traveling on the highway, the animals will be in a dry room. Whenever the vehicle stops for any length of time, however, the doors to the mobile tank will be opened, and the animals will be able to spend time in the tank.

The container is clearly marked with the words: LIVE ANIMALS and arrows to mark TOP SIDE. A description of the transport unit is attached as APPENDIX D. The transport will be conducted using all contemporary methods as outlined in the CRC Handbook of Marine Mammal Medicine (2d ed., Dierauf & Gulland 2001).

- C. The transport (as detailed in APPENDIX E) will be conducted via a specially designed and constructed mobile facility, in accordance with professionally accepted techniques, and in compliance with all applicable regulations, standards and conditions set forth under the MMPA, Animal Welfare Act, 7 U.S.C. § 2131, et seq. (the "AWA"), and Lacey Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 3371-3378. The transport will comply with APHIS regulations, 9 CFR § 3.116, Care in transit. The four (4) Patagonian sea lions will remain under the care and supervision of Park Atlantis, Mexico City, Mexico, until the transport commences. As noted in Section IV.C.3 above, Squalus will assume complete responsibility for their care and maintenance when they are placed in the transport unit. The transport time from Mexico City to Myakka City is anticipated to take 48 hours or less, absent unusual circumstances. Squalus currently plans to drive straight through from Mexico City to Myakka City. However, because of its features, the mobile facility is fully equipped to accommodate the needs of the animals should any extended stops be required. From its years of experience transporting sea lions in this special-purpose facility, Squalus is confident that it can handle any contingency that might arise.
- D. A written certification from the attending veterinarian is attached as APPENDIX F. The attending veterinarian will be on hand to inspect the animals when they arrive at the Squalus permanent facility in Myakka City, Florida.
- E. The four (4) Patagonian sea lions will be exported from Park Atlantis, Mexico City, Mexico. As explained in Section IV.C.3 above and documented in APPENDIX A, these sea lions were captive-born at Rancho Aventura, San Luis, Canelones, Uruguay. The approval of the Mexican Government, Secretario de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales (Department of Environment and Natural Resources), for Zoo-Mar, the operator of Park Atlantis, to export the four (4)

Patagonian sea lions from Mexico, together with an English translation thereof, are annexed as APPENDIX G.

Park Atlantis' registration from the Secretaria de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales (Department of Environment and Natural Resources), which represents the Mexican Government's authority for Park Atlantis to operate, and a letter, dated February 28, 2005, advising the Mexican Government that Park Atlantis had received the four sea lions, together with English translations thereof, are annexed as APPENDIX H. As reflected in Park Atlantis' registration document, Park Atlantis had authority to, and did maintain, other marine mammals, including California sea lions, Patagonian sea lions and bottlenose dolphins, prior to its receipt in January 2005 of the four sea lions from Uruguay.

- F. N/A (The sea lions to be imported were captive-born. For information about Rancho Aventura in Uruguay, where the animals were born, see www.go.to/raler.)
- G. The zoological environment in which the sea lions are currently housed is in compliance with the Mexican government rules and regulations as evidenced by the registration document annexed as APPENDIX H. As noted above, Mexican export approval and a translation of same are annexed as APPENDIX G.
- H. As explained in Section IV.F.2 above, and as documented in APPENDICES B and C, to the best of Applicant's knowledge, information and belief, the importation of these captive-born sea lions will not result in taking of marine mammals in the wild to replace them in either Mexico or Uruguay, and will not result in an increased demand for Patagonian sea lions in South America, Mexico, the United States or elsewhere.
- I. N/A (This import is not necessary for the protection or welfare of the marine mammals.)

### VI. Export Requirements

N/A (This application is a request for the importation of marine mammals; no animals will be exported.)

#### VII. General Requirements for Public Display

A. The facility to house the imported Patagonian sea lions will be:

Squalus, Inc. 36302 Singletary Road Myakka City, Florida 34251 Squalus is an APHIS licensed and inspected exhibitor. Squalus' operations involve both its permanent home fixed base facility and its portable exhibit facility. As noted in Section IV.A. above, Squalus currently has in its inventory two California sea lions and two Patagonian sea lions.

Squalus' permanent home facility in Myakka City, Florida, is used for public display, training and permanent housing. This permanent facility consists of several salt water fiberglass pools, including a 27,000 gallon main pool, another 23,842 gallon above ground pool, a smaller 3400 gallon above ground pool, and an enclosed 3272 gallon separation pool; haul-out areas; a large food preparation room with freezer and refrigerators; filtration; shade areas, landscaped perimeters, all the necessary containment fences, and medical separation area; emergency standby generators and pumps; and housing for attendants. The permanent facility is constantly being upgraded. Construction of an additional 68,000 gallon pool is planned as well as an additional wading pool.

Squalus' portable exhibit facility is a mobile one, a one-of-a-kind, zoo-like exhibit that is set up for weeks at a time, complete with salt water pools, filtration equipment and anything that would be needed to create a suitable habitat for the sea lions. The portable facility, while in transport or as on display, consists of one holding tank of approximately 7,000 gallons water; filtration equipment; one 12,500 watt diesel generator; one 7,000 watt diesel generator; a refrigerator unit; a freezer unit with 3,500 lbs storage capacity; double climate controlled animal holding area; sleeping accommodations for two attendants; ice and fresh water supply; and all the necessary emergency medical supplies. The portable exhibit facility also consists of two 24' by 15' by 52" salt water pools, 15,000 gallons each; three haul-out areas totaling 468 square feet; a food preparation room; 24hour security attendants; fencing and video surveillance; and additional living quarters for staff. At the present time, all four Squalus sea lions travel with the facility. Squalus anticipates that, after it receives the four sea lions that are the subject of the present application, at any one time several animals may remain at its permanent facility while others are traveling.

Pictures and diagrams of Squalus' permanent and mobile facilities are annexed as APPENDIX I.

The operating hours and admission fees are as follows.

During the exhibition season, Squalus exhibits all over the United States, mostly at the large state fairs and sport and boat shows, as well as zoos and aquariums. The sea lions are on display no more than twelve (12) hours a day with staff on hand to monitor the sea lions and answer questions. There is a shaded area for the animals where they can be out of the direct sunlight. Two to three times a day there is an educational twenty-five (25) minute presentation in which the sea lions bring out their natural abilities and behaviors. In this twenty-five (25) minute

presentation the public is informed about laws and regulations concerning marine mammals, beach strandings, entanglement in debris and pollution and what can be done to prevent these things. At these major events where Squalus sets up its portable exhibit facility, it does not charge an admission fee per se as those attending the event are able to view the sea lions and the educational programs without paying an additional fee. For information and route schedule, please consult <a href="https://www.squalus.net">www.squalus.net</a> and click on "Tour Schedule" and "Book Now". A printout of current information is annexed as APPENDIX J. Squalus' one-of-akind mobile exhibit uniquely allows it to provide some people with their only opportunity to view and learn about marine mammals in their home communities. Annexed as APPENDIX K are brochures and flyers describing Squalus' portable exhibit facility programs.

Squalus' permanent home facility is primarily used "off season" though it is open to the local community and hosts charity and other events on a variable basis each year. Its operations are described more fully below.

- B. Squalus is a licensed CLASS C EXHIBITOR under the AWA, Certificate No. 58-C-0648 (copy annexed as APPENDIX L).
- C. Squalus and its staff are dedicated to the preservation and conservation of marine mammals and other forms of aquatic life. Education is the critical component of Applicant's mission.

Squalus' commitment to maintaining professional standards of care and training is further demonstrated by President Marco Peters' membership in the International Marine Animal Trainers Association ("IMATA").

#### Education

Squalus is committed to marine mammal science and education, and to providing the best possible care for our animals. Educationally, Squalus' primary goal is to teach the public about marine life, environmental protection and conservation.

Squalus' education programs were developed and are operated in accordance with the professionally recognized standards that have been established by the American Zoo and Aquarium Association ("AZA") and the Alliance of Marine Mammal Parks and Aquariums ("AMMPA"). These standards have been published by the agency in the *Federal Register* at 59 *Fed. Reg.* 50900 (Oct. 6, 1994).

#### Squalus training

All staff (volunteers and employees) must complete a course in marine mammal science and environmental issues. Squalus supplies books, web based materials

plus personal teachings of senior staff members to our staff. Squalus also monitors and updates any new developments in marine science through its involvement with IMATA and by maintaining contacts with zoos and other facilities that maintain marine mammals.

#### Sea Lion Splash

The public display program at the portable exhibit facility includes:

- The animals are on display during event hours.
- The display has several educational boards, posters displayed with information regarding pinnipeds, including antipollution messages, strandings and general information about the species.
- In addition there is always a minimum of two staff members on hand to monitor the animals and to provide additional information to the public.
- At most of the events where Squalus exhibits, the venue opens their facility to accommodate school tours at the AM hours. Squalus provides a thirty (30) minute educational program geared to the specific age of the students.
- The exhibit is also open to groups, including nursing home residents, handicapped persons and pre-scholars at AM hours.
- During the main event hours Squalus provides 2 to 3, twenty-five (25) minute public shows that contain educational material and information about marine mammals in general.
- Squalus demonstrates with the help of the animals what can possibly happen to marine mammals because of pollution and human activities impacting the marine environment.
- A large section of the show is dedicated to the South American sea lions, their status, classification, diet and reproduction.

#### Manatee Outreach

Squalus is based in Florida and also has an educational program about manatees and boating accidents, although Squalus has no manatees. Squalus exhibits at various boat shows in Florida, where the manatee program, with the help of the sea lions, garners a lot of attention from boaters and future boaters. Squalus volunteers at manatee strandings and has provided portable tanks on several occasions.

Educational materials used by Squalus are annexed as APPENDIX M.

In the local community, the permanent facility where the sea lions are housed is open to special programs that include: educational school tours, a program that is sponsored by the YMCA called "A second chance," and some internships and

other sessions with the sea lions as well as fundraisers for community groups like the Myakka City Volunteer Fire Department.

Based on its commitment to education, Applicant's staff provides the public with the opportunity to expand and enhance their knowledge and understanding of wildlife and the natural environment. Squalus provides education programs throughout the year for all age groups. This is accomplished through a variety of media, including live animal exhibits, presentations, demonstrations and graphic displays.

At Squalus, over three hundred thousand (300,000) visitors per year are exposed to sea lions in a fascinating and educational manner. The success and appeal of Squalus' portable exhibit was recognized by the 2002 Ohio State Fair which named Sea Lion Splash "Best Attraction".

Squalus is very serious about educating the general public and believes that going out to different communities adds significant educational value by means of the exhibit.

#### Research

Squalus' research activities at this time are limited to conducting a research project that looks into pinniped eye conditions. This research includes studying and applying different water filtration techniques and color contrast in the holding pools.

#### VIII. Previous Permits

Except as noted below, no previous permits have been issued to Squalus for the taking, import or export of marine mammals, and no other permits are being sought in connection with this requested permit.

Squalus maintains a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Import/Export License annexed as APPENDIX N. Squalus has also previously been issued a National Marine Fisheries Service letter of authorization, annexed as APPENDIX O, for the temporary export and re-import of sea lions.

## IX. Certification and Signature

I hereby certify that the foregoing information is complete, true, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that this information is submitted for the purpose of obtaining a permit under the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, 16 U.S.C. § 1361, et seq., and regulations issued thereunder, 50 C.F.R. Part 216. I also understand that any false statement may subject me to criminal penalties under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, or to penalties provided under the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972.

Date: November 14, 2005

President Squalus, Inc.

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APPENDIX F	Written certification from the attending veterinarian, Dr. David Murphy.
APPENDIX G	Approval of the Mexican Government (Secretaria de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales) for Zoo-Mar S. De R.L. De. C.V., the operator of Park Atlantis, Mexico City, Mexico, to export the four (4) Patagonian sea lions from Mexico, together with English translation thereof.
APPENDIX H	Park Atlantis' Mexican registration from the Secretaria de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales, which represents the Mexican Government's authority for Park Atlantis to operate, and letter, dated February 28, 2005, advising the Mexican Government of the receipt of the sea lions by Park Atlantis, together with English translations thereof.
APPENDIX I	Pictures and diagrams of Squalus' permanent and mobile facilities.
APPENDIX J	A current printout of information and route schedule, found at <a href="https://www.squalus.net">www.squalus.net</a> , click on "Tour Schedule" and "Book Now".

APPENDIX K

Brochures and flyers describing Squalus' portable exhibit facility programs.

APPENDIX L

CLASS C EXHIBITOR License under the AWA, Certificate No. 58-C-0648.

APPENDIX M

Educational materials used by Squalus.

APPENDIX N

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Import/Export License.

APPENDIX O

National Marine Fisheries Service letter of authorization for the temporary

export and re-import of sea lions.

# **APPENDIX A**



#### CERTIFICADO SANITARIO HEALTH CERTIFICATE

Certificado de Origen de Referencia Nº 194 / 05 Origin Certificate Number Reference 194 / 05

Vía 1: Cliente Final

País expedidor: REPUBLICA ORIENTAL DEL URUGUAY

Country of dispatch

Número de animales: 4 (un macho – tres hembras)
Number of animals: 4 (one male – three females)

Especie (nombre común y nombre científico): León marino sudamericano (Otaria byronia=flavescens) Species (common name and scientífic name): South American sea lion (Otaria byronia=flavescens)

Establecimiento de procedencia (nombre y dirección): RALER S.A. (subsidiaria de CINCO SA). Liber Arce Nº 3327 /04 (Tel-Fax: 598 2-622 80 48) - Montevideo, Uruguay. Origin Establishment (name and address)

Establecimiento de destino (nombre y dirección): ZOO-MAR S. DE RL DE.C.V., DELEGACION BENITO JUAREZ, MÉXICO.D.F., MÉXICO. Responsable:Dr. José Luis Solórzano Velasco (Tel/Fax: 91-16-69-01 y 02).-Destination place (name and address)

Conforme al Certificado Sanitario del 17/01/05 del Dr. F. Patiño (Registro Oficial MGAP Nº 2007) In agreement with the Sanitary Certificate of date 17/01/05 issued by Dr. F. Patiño (MGAP Of Reg. Nº 2007)

El abajo firmante (nombre del Veterinario Oficial): Doctor Amador Ripoll The undersigned (name of the Official Veterinary)

Certifica que los ejemplares arriba identificados:

Certifies that the animals above mentioned

- No presentan signos clínicos de enfermedades infecto contagiosas
- Do not present clinical signs of infect sickness
- Han estado en cuarentena de treinta días en local inspeccionado y habilitado
- Had been in a thirty days quarantine in an approved and inspected facility
- Serán transportados vía aérea en jaulas aprobadas y desinfectadas

Will be air translated in approved and disinfected cages

Lugar y fecha de expedición: Montevideo, Uruguay, 24 de enero de 2005.

Place and Date of Issue: Montevideo, Uruguay, January 24 th. 2005.

(Official Veterinary)

División Tecnica. Constituyente 1497, Montevideo, Uruguay. - Tel. 400 46 89 - Fax: (5982) 401 7236 - www.dinara.gub.uy

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#### DR.FRANCISCO PATIÑO LARRE BORGES

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DOCTOR OF MEDICINE AND VETERIANARIAN TECHNOLOGY OFFICIALLY REGISTRED MGAP Nº 2007 - URUGUAY

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# CERTIFICADO SANITARIO Y DE ORIGEN

Certifico que 4 ejemplares (1 macho y 3 hembras) de lobo marino vivo, de la especie Otaria byronia, que serán embarcadas el dia 26 de enero de 2005, con destino a ZOO-MAR S.DE R.L. DE. C.V., CALLE CHARCO AZUL Nº 35, COL. MIXCOAC. DELEGACION BENITO JUAREZ, MÈXICO. D.F., MÉXICO. Responsable: Dr. José Luis Solórzano Velasco.- Telf/fax: 91-16-69-01 y 02.

Dichos animales proceden del Criadero "Rancho Aventura", Km. 62.200 San Luis, Canelones, Uruguay, de propiedad de RALER S.A., (Subsidiaria de CINCO S.A. domiciliado en la calle Líber Arce Nº 3327 apto 4, Teléfono 622.80.48, Montevideo, Uruguay.

Los animales fueron designados con sus respectivos chips y fechas de nacimiento:

"BRUCE" -Chip Nr. 009100084160 - (982 009100084160) - 13/12/02

Chip Nr. 009100172755 - (982 009100172755) - 04/12/02 "ROSE" -

"KITTY" -Chip Nr. 009100221647 - (982 009100221647) - 10/12/02

"KIM" -Chip Nr. 009100052242 - (982 009100052242) - 08/12/02

Dichos animales fueron desparasitados con Sanium plus (praziquantel/febendazol) y sometidos a la prueba de tuberculina el día 4 de noviembre del 2004 con resultado negativo. Así mismo las jaulas de los animales serán desinfectadas con Vanodine antes de su partida. Estando aptos para su exportación al exterior.

Igualmente, se encuentran en perfectas condiciones sanitarias y físicas, estando libres de signos clínicos de enfermedades infectocontagiosas y en especial de las siguientes:

- Morbilivirus (Phocine, Dolphin, porpoise y canino).
- Herpes virus
- Influenza virus
- Parvovirus canino
- Calicivirus
- Leoptospirosis
- Brucelosis
- Ecto y Endoparásitos

En Montevideo, el 14 de Enero de 2005, se extiende el presente Certificado Sanitario y de Origen para su presentación ante las autoridades pertinentes en el exterior.

Certificación Oficial

Dr. FRANCISCO PATIÑO LARRE BORGES MEDICO VETERINARIO Registro Cilcisi MGAP Nº 2007 República Calental del Uruguay

JEFE DEPARTAMENTS **MAMIFEROS MARINOS** 

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# **TRANSLATE**

## ORIGIN AND HEALTH CERTIFICATE

I certify that the 4 (four) alive sea lions (1 male and 3 females) of the speci Otaria byronia, will be shipped on January 26 of 2005, with destiny to ZOO-MAR S.DE R.L. DE. C.V., CALLE CHARCO AZUL N° 35, COL. MIXCOAC. DELEGACION BENITO JUAREZ, MÈXICO.D.F., MÉXICO. Responsable: Dr. Jose Luis Solórzano Velasco. Telf/fax: 91-16-69-01 y 02.

This animals proceed from the Breeding Center "Rancho Aventura", km. 62.200 San Luis, Canelones, Uruguay, owned by RALER S.A., (Subsidiary of CINCO S.A. Address: Líber Arce N° 3327 apt 4, Phone 622.80.48, Montevideo, Uruguay.

The animals were designated with the following ships and show the following date of birth.

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Before shipment the animals were di-parasite with Sanium plus and vaccinated with tuberculin on Nov. 4, 2004 with negative results.

Also the cages of the animals will be disinfected with Vanodine before departure, to be ready for exportation outside of this country.

The sea lions are in perfect sanitary conditions and also physical, are free of any clinical sign of infectious diseases specially the following and free of:

- Morbilivirus (Phocine, Dolphin, porpoise y canino).
- Herpes virus
- Influenza virus
- Parvovirus canino
- Calicivirus
- Leoptospirosis
- Brucelosis
- Ecto y Endoparásitos

In Montevideo January 14<sup>th</sup> 2005 is issued this certificate origin and health to be presented before the authorities abroad.

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# APPENDIX B

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# DR. FRANCISCO PATIÑO LARRE BORGES DOCTOR EN MEDICINA Y TECNOLOGIA VETERIANARIA REGISTRO OFICIAL MOAP Nº 2007

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# To whom it may concern:

We here certify that since the beginning of last year's Prohibition Period, that started in November 15th, 2004, Uruguay as an issuing country has stopped the capture of Sea Lions (Otaria byronia), wild life captivity, until further notice. No reposition has been authorized at the present years by the pertinent authority D.I.N.A.R.A. For the verification of the present statement and for more details you can contact to:

Dr. Alberto Ponce de Leon At D.I.N.A.R.A (Dirección Nacional de Recursos Acuaticos) Official Manager of the Marine Mammals División

e-mail: aponce@dinara.gub.uy

Phone: (598-2) 4004689/ Ext.121

Fax: (598-2) 4017236 Cel phone: (598-99) 182394

Signed in Montevideo, September 21st, 2005.

DA FRANCISCO PATIÑO LAPIRE BORGES

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# APPENDIX C



Jenifer Skidmore

# Mexico City, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2005

Permits, Conservation and Education Division
Office of Protected Resources
National Marine Fisheries Service
1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910
With this letter I woul'd like to inform you that by the moment our current inventory of sea lions consist of; 3 Male Californian sea lions and 5 Female Californian sea lions and 4 Male Patagonian sea lions and 8 Female Patagonian sea lions, bouth spieces are breeding very well in captivity with us.
We have an active breeding program that has resulted in captive births of 4 Patagonian sea lions over the past 3 years.
We will not replace the four Patagonian sea lions( one male and three females) after exportation to Squalus Inc.
Dr. Jose Luis Solórzano DVM.
Technical Director.
Calz. De la Viga 1690 Desp 6 Col. Heroes de Churubusco Mexico D.F. C.P. 09090
Tels: 91-16-69-01 91-16-69-02

# **APPENDIX D**

## [Sea Lion Transport Unit]

One custom-designed tractor-trailer transport, which is currently being used to transport sea lions.

This unit is totally self contained and includes:

- one holding tank of approximately 7,000 gallons water
- filtration equipment
- one 12,500 watt diesel generator
- one 7,000 watt diesel generator
- refrigerator unit
- freezer unit with 3,500 lbs storage capacity
- double climate controlled animal holding area
- sleeping accommodations for two attendants
- ice and fresh water supply
- all the necessary emergency medical supplies

The unit also doubles as the mobile facility which is licensed and inspected by APHIS.

## **APPENDIX E**

[The Transport]

The transport of the sea lions will be conducted via a specially designed and constructed mobile facility in accordance with professionally accepted techniques, and in compliance with all applicable regulations, standards, and conditions set forth under the Marine Mammal Protection Act, the Animal Welfare Act and the Lacey Act. The transport will comply with APHIS regulations 9 CFR 3.116 Care in transit. The transport is anticipated to take 48 hours or less, absent unusual circumstances. The professional staff has reviewed all transport procedures. An appropriate transport plan will be developed and maintained on file at the facility.

South American (Patagonian) sea lions (<u>Otaria flavescens</u>, sometimes also referred to as <u>Otaria byronia</u>) of this size have been safely and successfully transported by Squalus since 1997. The staff working on the transport has many years of experience transporting Patagonian sea lions. Patagonian sea lions have been transported in and out of this facility and throughout the United States every year since 1997 without incident.

Two (2) veterinarians will accompany the sea lions during the transport from Park Atlantis, Mexico City, Mexico, to Laredo, Texas, U.S.A. and the sea lions will be under the direct supervision of the Squalus, Inc. professional staff from Laredo, Texas to Myakka City, Florida. During that portion of the transport, Squalus will be in regular contact with Dr. David Murphy. Dr. Murphy will do a complete review of the sea lions' medical history prior to the transport. Standard medical evaluation techniques will be used. During the transport the staff will monitor the water temperature, each sea lion's positioning and respiration and will have food available for the sea lions during transport. Attached is an illustration of the transport unit [Appendix C].

Reference – CRC Handbook of Marine Mammal Medicine: Second Edition: edited by Leslie A. Dierauf and Frances M.D. Guland: CRC Press LLC: 2001

# APPENDIX F



October // , 2005

#### BY HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Steve Leathery, Chief Permits, Conservation and Education Division Office of Protected Resources National Marine Fisheries Service 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705 Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Dear Mr. Leathery:

This letter is in reference to the permit application under the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 for the import of four (4) South American (Patagonian) sea lions (Otaria flavescens, sometimes also referred to as Otaria byronia), by Squalus, Inc. for purposes of public display. I am a licensed veterinarian in the state of Florida and have experience and knowledge in the field of marine mammal medicine and care.

Discussions and preparations for this animal transport are currently being held with all involved parties. A thorough review of the preparations will be conducted prior to the transport. Moreover, the transport will comply with the regulation of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, 9 CFR § 3.116, Care in transit. A complete and appropriate transport plan will be developed and maintained on file at the facility. Two (2) veterinarians will accompany the sea lions during the transport from Park Atlantis, Mexico City, Mexico, to Laredo, Texas, U.S.A. and the sea lions will be under the direct supervision of the Squalus, Inc. professional staff from Laredo, Texas to Myakka City, Florida. During that portion of the transport, Squalus will be in regular contact with me. I will do a complete review of the sea lions' medical history prior to the transport. Standard medical evaluation techniques will be used.

I certify that the professional animal care and veterinarians have reviewed the methods for transport, the facilities, and the continued care of the sea lions in question. Squalus, Inc.'s staff will acclimate with the sea lions at the Park Atlantis facility prior to the transport. The methods and facilities described will adequately provide for the well-being of the sea lions.

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Veterinarian

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# **APPENDIX G**



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MEXICO, D.F.
C.P. 09090

LEGAL REGULATIONS

This authorization is granted, based on the provisions established in Articles 32 Bis, Section XX of the Decree that Reforms, Adds and Repeals several dispositions of the Organic Law for Federal Public Administration, published on November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2000 in the Official Federation Newspaper; Article 31, Section VI of the Internal Regulations for the Administration; Article 9, Section XIII, 29, 30, 31, 33, 53 and 54 of the General Administration for Wildlife; Article 194 F of the Federal Rights Law; Articles 79, Sections I, III and VI, 80 Sections I and II, 82, 84, 85, 86 and 87 of the General Law for Ecological Balance and Environmental Protection and by virtue of having complied with the norms in effect on that subject.

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[Seal]: United States of Mexico
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## THE GENERAL DIRECTOR FELIPE RAMÍREZ RUIZ DE VELASCO

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# APPENDIX H



#### SECRETARIA DE MEDIO AMBIENTE Y RECURSOS NATURALES

SUBSECRETARÍA DE GESTIÓN PARA LA PROTECCIÓN AMBIENTAL DIRECCIÓN GENERAL DE VIDA SILVESTRE AV. REVOLUCIÓN 1425, NIVEL 1 COL. TLACOPAC, DELEG. ÁLVARO OBREGÓN 01040, MÉXICO, D.F.

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3a. SECCIÓN DE CHAPULTEPEC S/N, COL. LOMAS ALTAS, C. P. 11950, MÉXICO, D. F.

Con fundamento a lo dispuesto en los Artículos 32 Bis fracciones I, III, XXXIX de la Ley Orgánica de la Administración Pública Federal; 79 al 87 de la Ley General del Equilibrio Ecológico y la Protección al Ambiente; 9 Fracción XI, 27, 28, 39, 40, 86 y 87 de la Ley General de Vida Silvestre; 31 fracción VI del Reglamento Interior de la Secretaría de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales; así como las especificaciones de la Norma Oficial Mexicana NOM-059-SEMARNAT-2001 y en virtud de haber cumplido con los ordenamientos vigentes en la materia, la Dirección General de Vida Silvestre no tiene inconveniente en otorgar con vigencia de 7 AÑOS la renovación del registro, a la siguiente UMA:

NOMBRE DE LA UMA: "ATLANTIS". CLAVE DE REGISTRO: INE/CITES/DFYFS-EF-P-0002-D.F./03. FINALIDAD DE LA UMA: EXHIBICIÓN, CONSERVACIÓN Y MANEJO.

El presente registro se otorga para la conservación y manejo de las siguientes especies. Tursiops truncatus, Zalophus californianus y Otaria flavescens (ANEXO) y estará sujeto a lo que se prevea en la publicación definitiva del PROYECTO de Norma Oficial Mexicana PROY-NOM-135-SEMARNAT-2003.

Previo a cualquier aprovechamiento que se pretenda realizar en la UMA registrada, deberá contar con la aprobación del plan de manejo el cual debe estar apegado a los artículos 40, 82, 83 y 84 de la Ley General de Vida Silvestre y a los términos de referencia emitidos por la Dirección General de Vida Silvestre. El Titular deberá apegarse a los términos de referencia para transporte de animales especificados en la Norma Oficial Mexicana NOM-051-ZOO-1995, TRATO HUMANITARIO EN LA MOVILIZACIÓN DE ANIMALES, publicada en el Diario Oficial de la Federación el 23 de marzo de

ESTE REGISTRO QUEDA SUJETO AL CUMPLIMIENTO DE LAS CLÁUSULAS DE OPERACIÓN ANEXAS, CUALQUIER VIOLACIÓN O INCUMPLIMIENTO DARÁ ORIGEN A LA INSTAURACIÓN DE UN PROCEDIMIENTO ADMINISTRATIVO ANTE LA AUTORIDAD COMPETENTE PARA PROCEDER A LA CANCELACIÓN DEL REGISTRO Y A LA APLICACIÓN DE LA LEGISLACIÓN CORRESPONDIENTE, SEGÚN SEA EL CASO.

ATENTAMENTE SUFRAGIO EFECTIVO. NO REELECCIÓN. DE 1 LA DIRECTORA GENERAL GEORGITA RUIZ MICHAEL

Copias al reverso...



México D. F., a 28 de Febrero de 2005

MVZ Felipe Ramírez Ruiz de Velasco Dirección General de Vida Silvestre SYEMATINAT

Por medio del presente reciba un cordial saludo, así mismo aprovecho la ocasión para informarle a Usted de la llegada de 4 Lobos Marinos Sudamericanos Otaria byronia, U1 macho y 03 hembras procedentes de Montevideo Uruguay con la autorización No. 19684 para la importación definitiva de fecha 14 de Diciembre de 2004 y teniendo una vagancia an 14 de Junio de 2005 emitido por la Dirección a su cargo, a si mismo le informo que dichos ejemplares se encuentran albergados en las instalaciones del la UMA Parque Marino Atlantis con numero de registro INE/CITES/DFYFS-EF-P-0002-D.F/03 a los cuales se le aplicaron los siguientes: microchips a las hembras AVID\*069\*522\*597 AVID\*069\*540\*053, AVID\*069\*562\*359 y al macho AVID\*069\*832\*288, estos se concuentram en buen estado de salud.

Se anexa copia del pedimento aduanal y copia de la Autorización verificada por PROFEPA.

Sim otro particular por el momento, quedo de Usted agradeciendo de antemano la attención prestada al presente.

Atentamente

NEVZ José Lois Soférzano Velasco Responsable Técnico

3a. Secc. DEL BOSQUE DE CHAPULTEPEC COL. LOMAS ALTAS C.P. 11950 MEXICO. D.F. TELS. 277-17-41 / 516-75-70

[Seal]: United States of Mexico
Department of Environment and
Natural Resources

Adjunct Department for Environmental Protection General Wildlife Administration Ave. Revolución 1425, Floor 1 Col. Tlacopac, Deleg. Álvaro Obregón 01040, Mexico, D.F.

Official Document No. SGPA/DGVS: 08851

Mexico, D.F. October 28th, 2003

\*2003. 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Birth of Miguel Hidalgo and Costilla, Father of Our Country\*

REGISTRATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MANAGEMENT UNIT FOR THE PRESERVATION OF WILDLIFE (UMA)

NAME OR CORPORATE NAME: JOSÉ ANTONIO VIGORENA RODRÍGUEZ ADDRESS: 3ª Sección de Chapultepec S/N, Col. Lomas Altas, C.P. 11950 México, D.F.

Based on the provisions established in Articles 32 Bis, Sections I, III and XXXIX for the Organic Law for Federal Public Administration; 79 to 87 of the General Law for Ecologic Balance and Environmental Protection; 9, Section XI, 27, 28, 39, 40, 86 and 87 of the General Law for Wildlife; 31 Section VI of the Internal Regulations for the Environmental and Natural Resources Department; as well as the specifications of the Official Mexican Regulations NOM-059-SEMARNAT-2001 and by virtue of having met all the regulations in effect on that subject, the General Administration for Wildlife has no objections in granting, for a period of 7 YEARS, the renewal of the registration to the following UMA:

NAME OF UMA: "ATLANTIS"

REGISTRATION CODE: INE/CITES/DFYFS-EF-P-0002-D.F./03

PURPOSE OF UMA: EXHIBITION, PRESERVATION AND MANAGEMENT

This registration is granted for the preservation and management of the following species: Tursiops trucantus, Zalophus californianus and Otaria flavescens (ATTACHMENT) and will be subject to what is established in the final publication of the PROJECT of Mexican Official Regulations PROY-NOM-135-SEMARNAT-2003.

Before any use is made of the registered UMA, you must obtain the approval of the management plan which must be attached to Articles 40, 82, 83 and 84 of the General Law for Wildlife and to the terms in reference which were issued by the General Wildlife Administration. The

registration holder must comply with the terms in reference for the transportation of animals specified in the Official Mexican Regulations NOM-051-ZOO-1995, HUMANITARIAN TREATMENT IN THE TRANSPORTATION OF ANIMALS, published in the Official Federation Newspaper dated March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1998.

THIS REGISTRATION IS SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH THE ATTACHED OPERATION CLAUSES, ANY VIOLATION OR NON-COMPLIANCE WILL RESULT IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS BEFORE THE PERTINENT AUTHORITY, TO CANCEL THE REGISTRATION AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE CORRESPONDING LEGISLATION, AS THE CASE MAY BE.

SINCERELY
SINGLE TERM. NO REELECTION
THE GENERAL DIRECTOR
[Signature Illegible]
GEORGITA RUIZ MICHAEL

[Seal]: GENERAL WILDLIFE ADMIISTRATION
UNITED STATES OF MEXICO
SEMARNAT

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México, D.F. February 28th, 2005

MVZ Felipe Ramírez Ruiz de Velasco General Wildlife Administration SEMARNAT Delivered by Hand

By means of this letter I greet you cordially and take the opportunity to inform you of the arrival of four South American sea lions Otaria byronia, 01 male and 03 females, coming from Montevideo, Uruguay with authorization No. 19684 for final import dated December 14<sup>th</sup> 2004, being in effect until June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2005, issued by the Administration under your care. At the same time, let me inform you that said specimens are being housed at the UMA facilities "Parque Marino Atlantis" with registration number INE/CITES/DFYFS-EF-P-0002-D.F/03 and to which the following microchips were applied: the females with AVID\*069\*522\*597, AVID\*069\*540\*053, AVID\*069\*562\*359 and the male AVID\*069\*832\*288. They are in good health.

A copy of the Customs Permit and a copy of the Authorization, checked by PROFEPA.

Without anything further for the moment, I thank you beforehand for the consideration in this matter and I remain,

Sincerely Yours,

[Signature Illegible]
MVZ José Luis Solórzano Velasco
Technician in Charge

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#### APPENDIX I

[Pictures and Diagrams of Permanent and Mobile Facilities]

#### Permanent facility consists of:

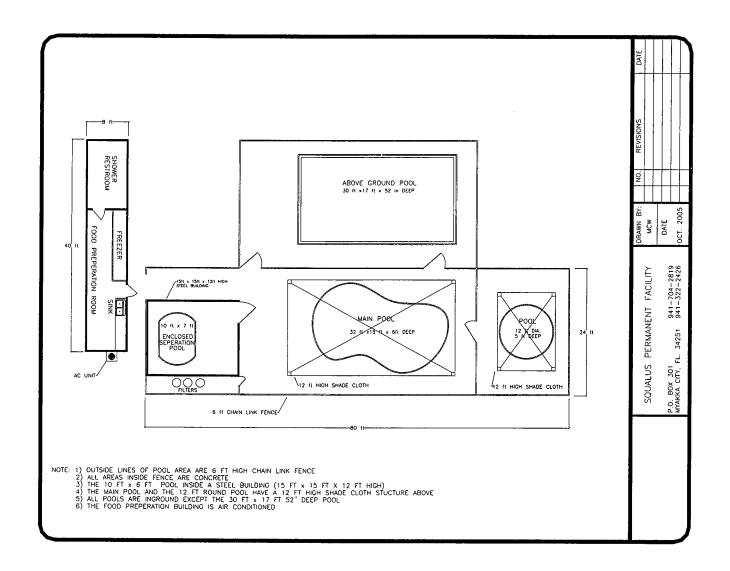
- three inground pools (fiberglass), all salt water, including a 27,000 gallon main pool, another 23,842 gallon pool, and a smaller 3400 gallon pool
- 3272 gallon enclosed separation pool
- haul-out areas
- large food prep room with freezer and refrigerators
- filtration
- shade areas, landscaped perimeters, all the necessary containment fences, medical separation area
- emergency standby generators and pumps
- housing for attendants

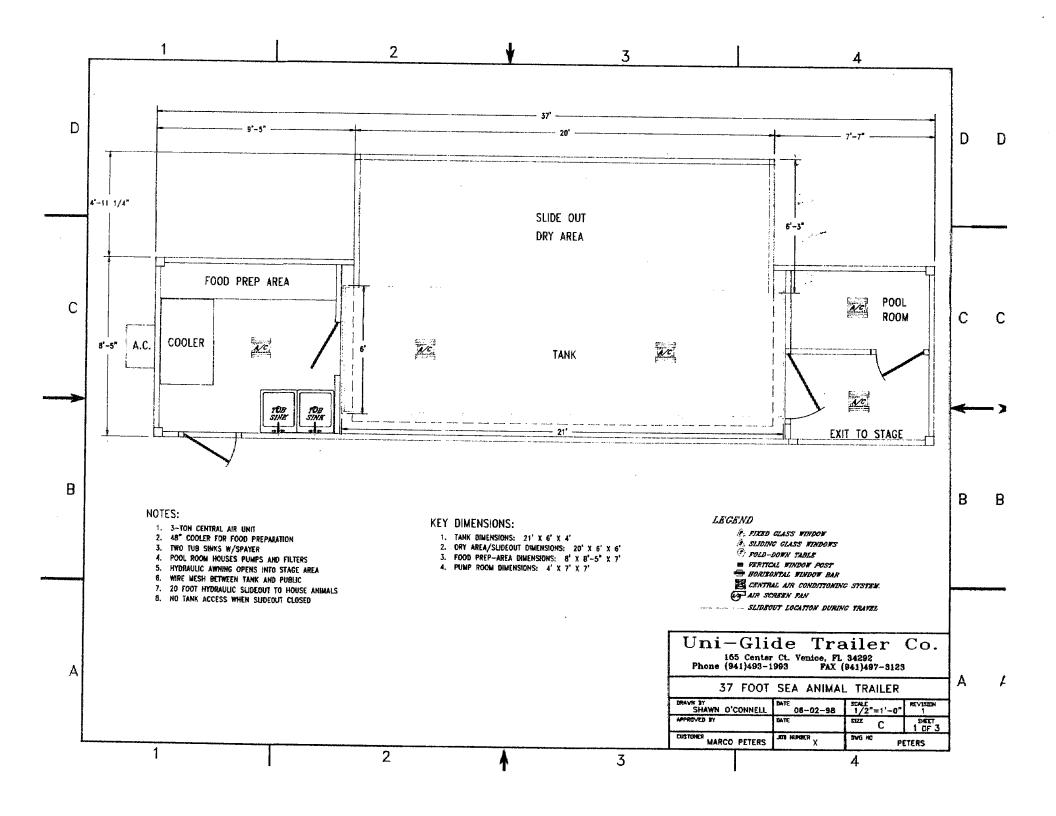
The permanent facility is constantly being upgraded.

Construction of an additional 68,000 gallon pool is planned as well as an additional wading pool.

The mobile facility consists of all the items as listed in Appendix C while in transport or as on display plus the following:

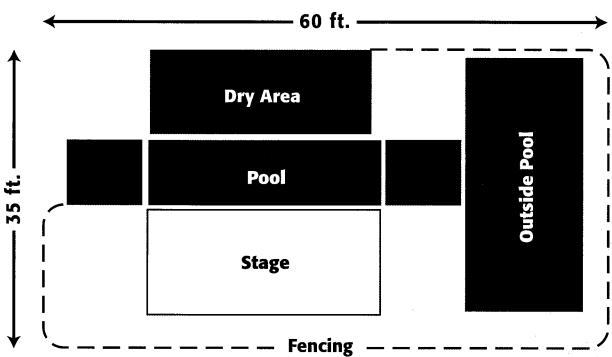
- two 24' by 15' by 52" salt water pools, 15,000 gallons each
- three haul-out areas totaling 468 square ft.
- food prep room
- 24-hour security attendants
- fencing and video surveillance
- additional living quarters for staff







## **Sea Lion Splash Requirements**



**Footage:** A level area 60ft. wide by 30ft. deep **Electric:** 240 volt single phase. 100 amp breaker **Water:** Portable water source and drainage

within 150ft. of display.

\*Additional room for a 40ft. house trailer

must be added to side or rear.

## **Sea Lions Splash**

#### **Trainers/Owners:**

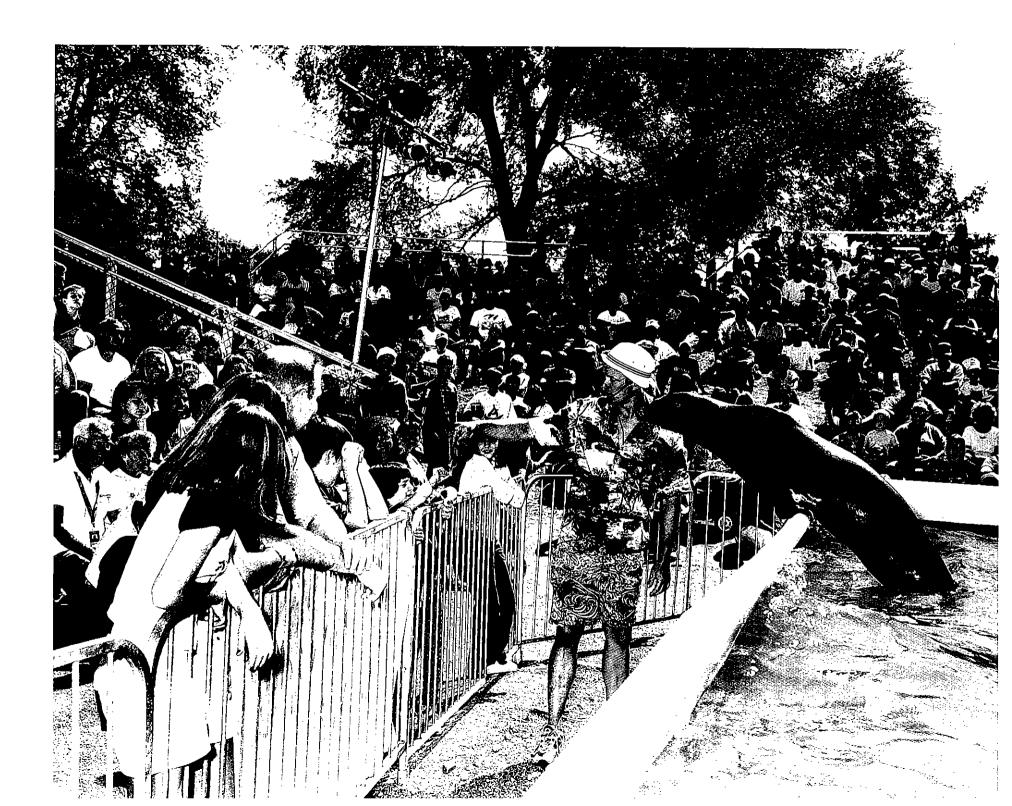
Squalus Inc. Aquatic Exhibits
Marco and Kathi Peters (on-site contacts)

Telephone: (941) 704-2819 E-mail: squalus1@gte.net

#### \* Squalus, Inc. Aquatic Exhibits is licensed by different Federal groups:

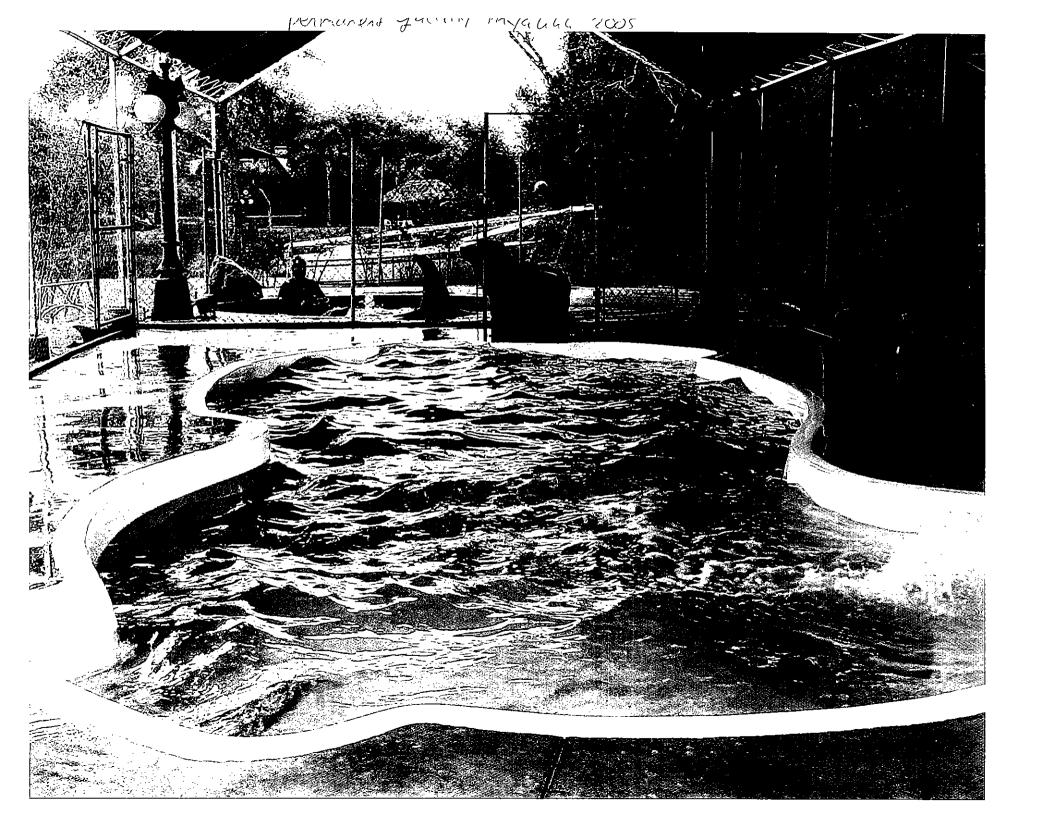
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<sup>\*</sup> NB. References to federal licensing bodies are being revised.

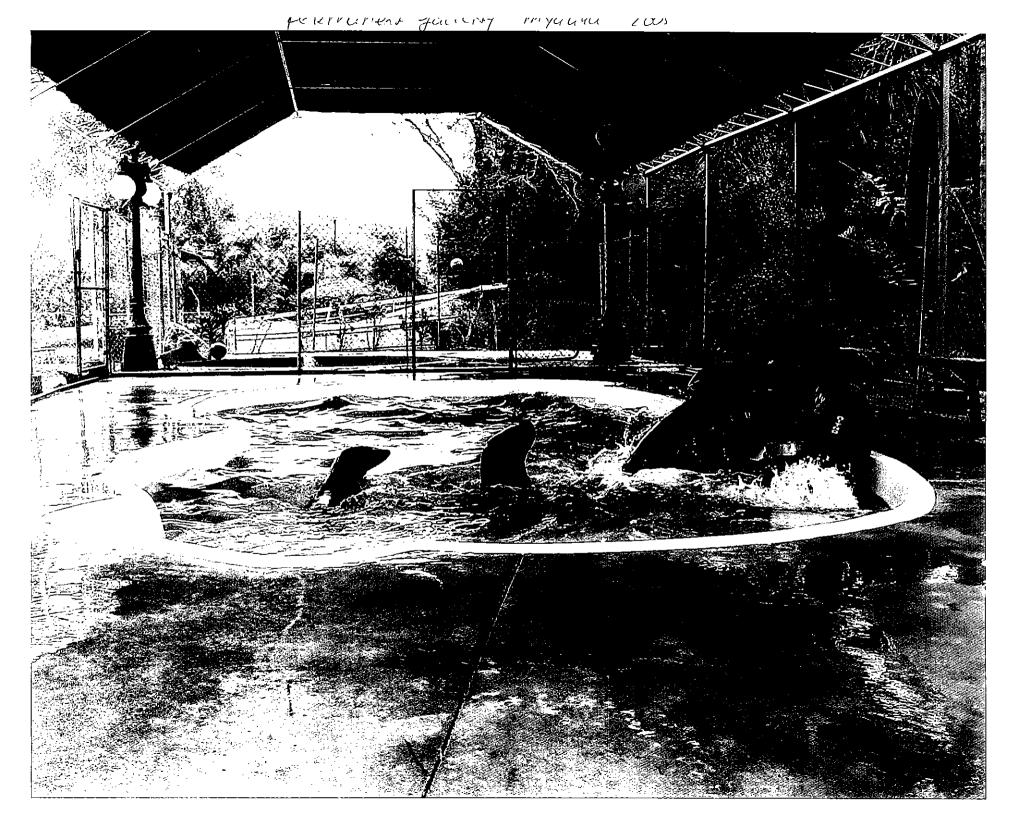


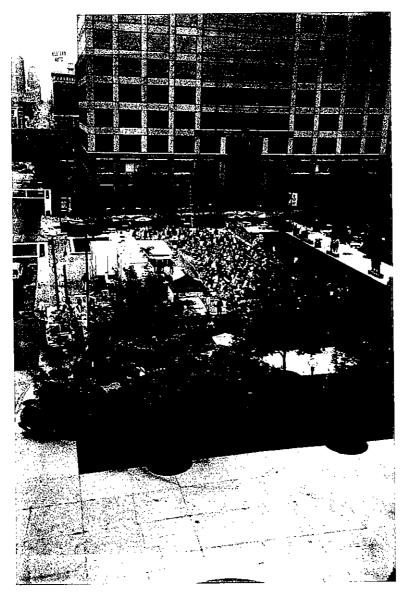


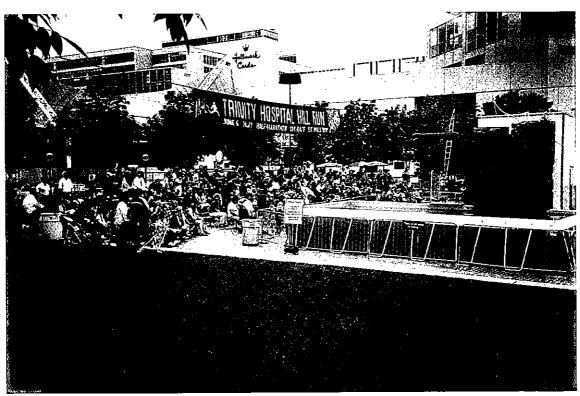


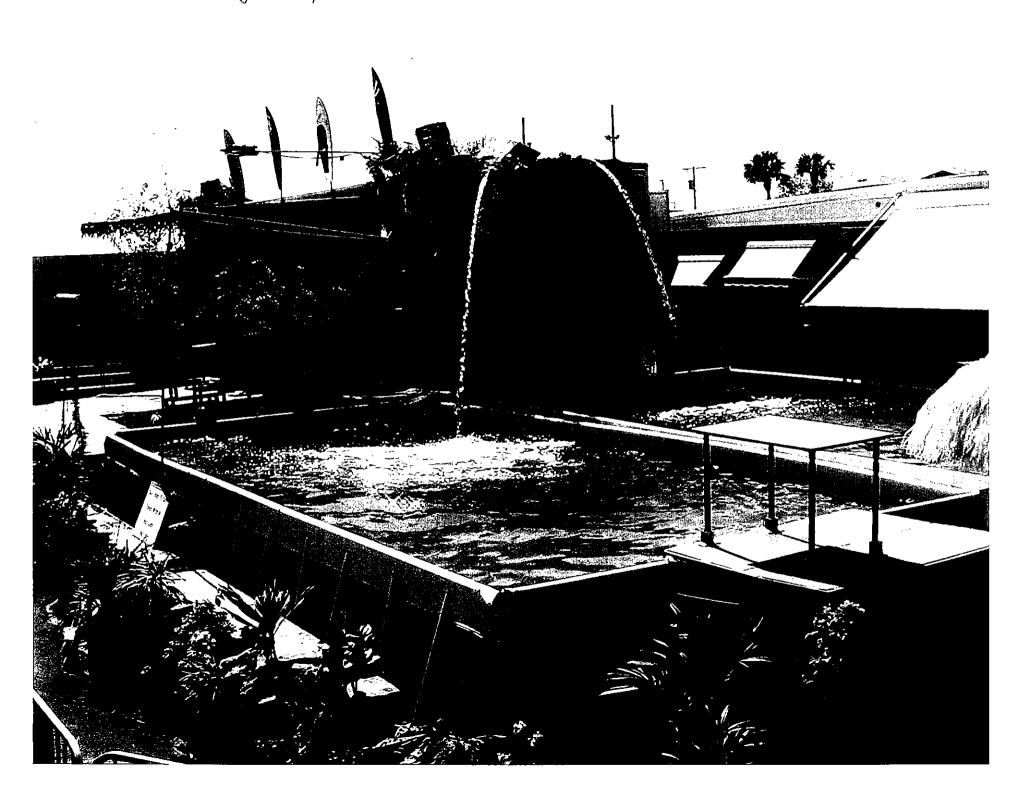














# **APPENDIX J**



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PERMANENT FACILITY

SEA LION EXPERIENCE

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As an extremely affordable attraction, the Sea Lion Splash is a favorite of both attendees and media providing for non-stop entertainment area within an event. The footprint of the exhibit provides for viewing of the animals all day either swimming underwater or frolicking in their pool.

Types of Events that the Sea Lion Splash has appeared:

- State/County Fairs
- Special Events
- Theme Parks
- Product Endorsement Events
- Mall & Shopping Center Openings
- Film & Entertainment Industry
- Corporate Meetings

Rates are negotiated based on the number of days that they are booked at an event.

#### Requirements

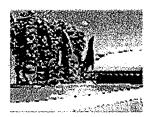
Footage: A level area 60 ft wide by 30 feet deep. (see show operations footprint)

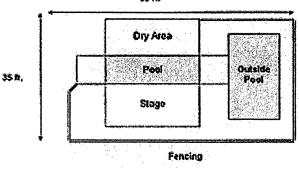
Electric: 240 volt single phase 100 amp breaker Water: Portable water source and drainage

For Outdoor Events, additional room for a 40ft house trailer must be added to side or rear of footprint.









#### References

"The Sea Lion Splash is THE most entertaining feature that the Chicago Boat, RV & Outdoors Show has ever had as part of the show. In addition to the inherent sheer enjoyment of these beautiful animals, the educational element of their performance fits nicely with the same conservation message that our industry is supporting."

Jennifer G. Faulk, Show Manager, NMMA

#### Booking

To book the Sea Lion Splash at your next event:

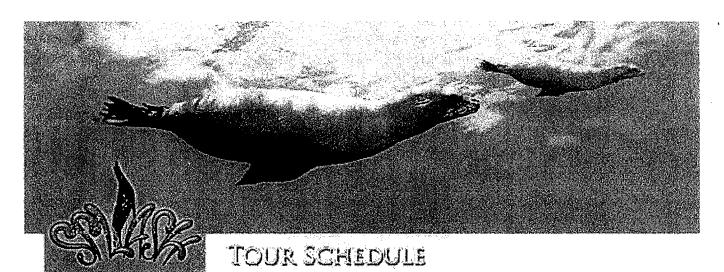
#### Capitol International Productions-(Agency)

David Musselman /Kori Smith /Deana Rudy 47829 Tomahawk Drive Negley, OH 4441

Phone: 1-800-278-0002 Fax: 330-227-2207



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Event Dates	Event	Location	Contact
Jan. 19-23	NMMA BOAT SHOWS	2301 S. Lake Shore Orive Chicago, ILL	Jennifer Faulk 312-946-6242
Feb.10-2	Florida State Fair	4800 N. Hwy. 301 Tampa, Florida	Joyce Covington S13-621-7821
Jun. 23 - Jul. 2	Red River Exhibition	3977 Portage Ave Winnipeg, MB R3K 2E8	
July 9-16	flowerville Fair	8800 W. Grand River Flowerville, MI.	James Diefenthaler 517-223-8186
July 21-30	DESF	US Rte. 13 Harrington, DE. 19952	Tricia Southherd 302-398-3269
Aug. 1-6	St Joseph Co, Fair	5117 South Iron Wood South Bend, IN. 46614	Frank Ronchetti 574-291-4970
Aug. 11-21	Iowa State Fair	E. 30th & University Ave. Des Moines, IA 50317	Jan Higgins 515-262-3111 × 201
Aug. 30-Sept. 5	Allentown Fair	302 N. 17th Street Allentowri, PA 18104	Bonnie Brosious 610-433-7541

Sept. 9- 18	TN. Valley Fair	3301 Magnolia Ave. Larry Fuchomsi Knoxville, TN. 865-215-1477 37914		
Sept. 23-Oct. 1	Panhandle South	1012 Ave. A	Herb Higs	
	Plains Fair	Lubbock, TX. 79401	806-763-2833	
Oct. 7-16	Alabama National Fair	1555 Federal Dr. Montgomery, Al. 36107	Russell Melton 334-272-6831	
Oct. 28- Nov. 6	Georgia-Carolina	308 Hale St.	Joe Taylor, Jr.	
	Fair	Augusta, GA 30901	706-860-8718	

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# APPENDIX K

# Sea Lion Splash Show on the Square at Crown Center, May 14-16.

Once again, Crown Center brings you the unexpected. See a trio of sea lions splashing and playing on the Square from May 14th through the 16th.

Don't miss the chance to learn about these friendly sea creatures as they entertain you with tricks and singing.

Friday: Noon till 8:00 p.m. (Showtimes: Noon, 5:00 & 7:00)

Saturday: 10 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

(Showtimes: Noon, 3:00 & 5:00)

Sunday: Noon till 6:00 p.m.

(Showtimes: 2:00 & 5:00)

Admission is free.

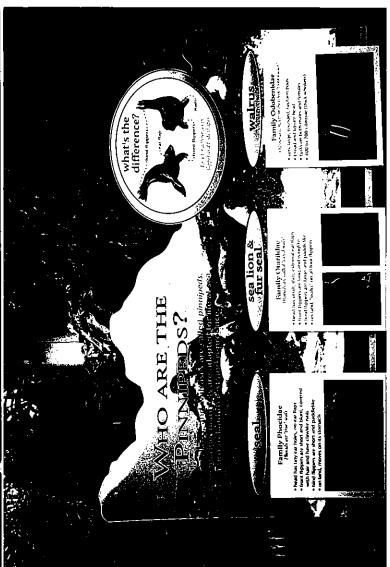
Before and after the sea lion show, you can entertain yourself at Crown Center's many outstanding restaurants and shops.

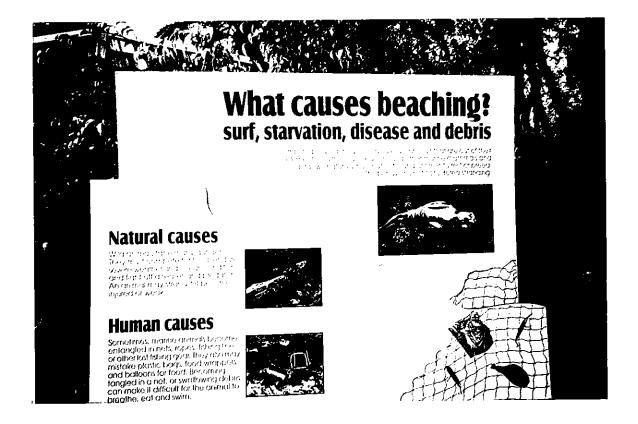
Be a part of the fun at Crown Center.
This event is sure to make a splash with the whole family.

Entertain the possibilities.

Coming Attractions:
Space Expo 2000 - July 1 - 5
Live Shark Show - July 23 - 25
Hollywood Legends - August 13 - 15



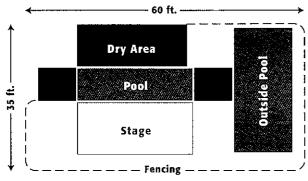




# Our Self-Contained Show Can Accommodate

- Fairs
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- Theme Parks
- Circus Dates
- Product Endorsement Events
- Mall & Shopping Center Openings
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### and Much More!



**Show Operations Footprint** 

## Sea Lion Splash Requirements

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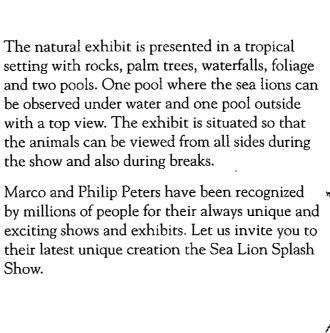
**Electric:** 240 volt single phase

100 amp breaker

Water: Potable water source

& drainage

Additional room for a 40 ft. house trailer



**Entertain the Possibilities** 

For more information call or write:

Myakka City, Florida 34251

or (941) 704-2819

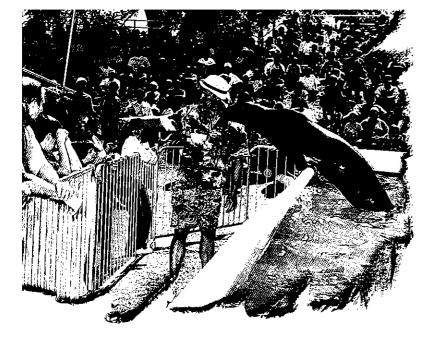
Phone: (941) 322-2426

Squalus, Inc.

P.O. Box 301



Welcome to the



# Making A Splash

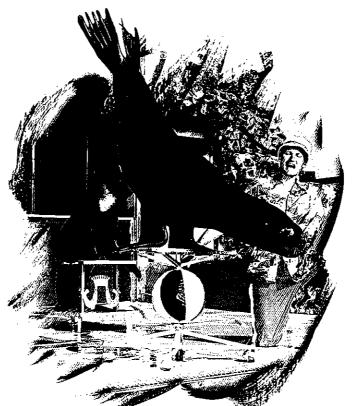
Come and be greeted by our friendly sea lions who possess personality plus. One look in their eyes, it's love at first sight, with an appeal that's hard to resist, your children will be asking for one to take home with them.

Marco and Philip Peters, founders of Squalus, Inc. famous for their unique exhibits of hands-on live shark shows, are proud to present this one-of-a-kind traveling show which includes sea lions from different parts of the world.

The idea of the sea lion show originated when Squalus started taking in beached sea lions who where unable to be returned to the wild due to age or injuries and unable to provide food for themselves. Squalus provides a permanent home for these sea lions for the rest of their lives.

This show is the only traveling sea lion show in the United States. Squalus, Inc. ensures that the sea lions have more square footage of water per animal in the show than most sea lions have in always placed first. Their transportation was designed specifically for the maximum comfort of the sea lions.

Squalus, Inc. is fully licensed by three federal agencies: National Marine Fisheries Department, Marine Mammal Protection Agency, and the USDA.



The show is geared around educating the audience on the habits and nature of the sea lions with a lot of comedy thrown in. Sea lions are natural performers and will ad lib without prompting, stealing the show with their cute mischief.

The finale of the show provides the audience a magical moment with a close sea lion encounter.

Whether Showtime or not, sea lions will continuously provide entertainment by being their natural selves.

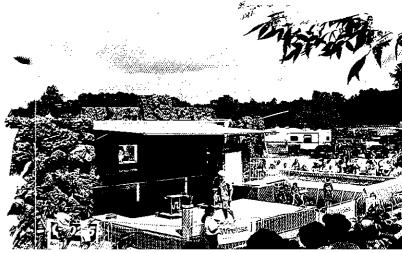
This sea lion traveling exhibit is safe for the animals as well as the audience, exciting and surprisingly affordable.

Squalus Team Professional are dedicated to providing your event with an attraction that will thrill visitors as well as draw positive media coverage from TV, Radio and Newspapers.

This educational show will appeal to all ages and is a definite crowd pleaser and can be presented in five different languages.

# Showtime

Surfer Joe, trainer and host of the show, takes you through a thirty-minute spell binding show where he brings out the natural comedic behavior of these animals. These behaviors include in and out of water actions, balancing, catching and retrieving objects, handstands, dancing, singing and interaction with the



# APPENDIX L



**EXPIRATION DATE: MARCH 19, 2006** 

United States
Department of
Agriculture

Marketing and Regulatory Programs

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

**Animal Care** 

This is to certify that

**SQUALUS INC** 

is a licensed under the

**CLASS C EXHIBITOR** 

**Animal Welfare Act** 

(7 U.S.C. 2131 et seq.)

Certificate No.

58-C-0648

Customer No.

8176

Deputy Administrator

## **APPENDIX M**



# Sea Lion Splash

- **Sea Lions** belong to the order of sea mammals called Pinnipedia a Latin word meaning "fin foot" or "wing foot".
- **Sea Lions** are amphibious animals meaning they are adapted to life both in water and on land.
- Sea Lions can swim at speeds of 11 to 24 miles per hour and are able to stay submerged for 10 to 15 minutes at a time. And dive to depths up to 1,300 feet.
- Sea Lions on land use their back flippers to walk, climb or even gallop, which enables them to move surprisingly fast.
- Sea Lions have a coat of course outer hairs, called guard hairs this coat appears brown when dry and is used to

help keep a sea lion warm. When wet the fur flattens to give a sleek dark colored coat.

- Sea Lions nap both during the day and at night and can sleep in or out of the water. On land they often will tuck their flippers underneath themselves. In the water they usually lie on one side, sometimes with one flipper pointed upward.
- Squalus, Inc.'s Sea Lion Splash display is home to sea lions which have either been injured, orphaned, or have lost their original home or who, for some reason cannot be returned to the wild.
- Squalus, Inc., hopes during your sea lion encounter you gain a greater appreciation and understanding of these intelligent animals.

# APPENDIX N

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

2. AUTHORITY-STATUTES 16 USC 1538 (d)

REGULATIONS (Attached) 50 CFR PART 13 50 CFR PART 14

# 3. NUMBER LE839647-1 4. RENEWABLE YES NO NO 6. EFFECTIVE 05/01/2005 AMENDMENT 5. MAY COPY YES NO NO 04/30/2006

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#### FEDERAL FISH AND WILDLIFE PERMIT

1. PERMITTEE

SQUALUS, INC. P.O. BOX 301 MYAKKA CITY, FL 34251 U.S.A.

8. NAME AND TITLE OF PRINCIPAL OFFICER (If #1 is a business)
MARCO PETERS

PRESIDENT

9. TYPE OF PERMIT IMPORT/EXPORT LICENSE

10. LOCATION WHERE AUTHORIZED ACTIVITY MAY BE CONDUCTED ANY DESIGNATED PORT PER 50 CFR 14.12

- 11. CONDITIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS:
  - A. GENERAL CONDITIONS SET OUT IN SUBPART D OF 50 CFR 13, AND SPECIFIC CONDITIONS CONTAINED IN FEDERAL REGULATIONS CITED IN BLOCK #2 ABOVE, ARE HEREBY

    MADE A PART OF THIS PERMIT. ALL ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED HEREIN MUST BE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORD WITH AND FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN THE APPLICATION
    SUBMITTED. CONTINUED VALIDITY, OR RENEWAL, OF THIS PERMIT IS SUBJECT TO COMPLETE AND TIMELY COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE CONDITIONS, INCLUDING THE
    FILING OF ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION AND REPORTS.
  - B. THE VALIDITY OF THIS PERMIT IS ALSO CONDITIONED UPON STRICT OBSERVANCE OF ALL APPLICABLE FOREIGN, STATE, LOCAL OR OTHER FEDERAL LAW.
  - C. VALID FOR USE BY PERMITTEE NAMED ABOVE.
  - D. Licensee is authorized to import/export wildlife and/or wildlife products at the port(s) specified in Block 10.
  - E. Licensee must comply with all import/export procedures as outlined in 50 CFR 14.
  - F. Per 50 CFR 14.54: When Importers or their Agents expect Live or Perishable Shipments of Wildlife or Wildlife Products or Request Inspection at the Time of Arrival, They Must Notify the Service at Least 48 Hrs. Prior to the Estimated Time of Arrival.
  - G. Per 50 CFR 14.93: An Import/Export License is Only Permission to Engage in Business as an Importer or Exporter of Wildlife. Such a License is in Addition to, and Does Not Supersede Any Other Requirement Established by Law for the Importation or Exportation of Wildlife.

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FOR: ARD, LAW ENFORCEMENT, REGION 4

DATE 03/14/2005



#### FEDERAL FISH AND WILDLIFE PERMIT

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# APPENDIX O



United States Department of Commerce National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE Silver Spring, MD 20910

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Mr. Marco Peters Squalus, Inc. P.O. Box 301 36302 Singletary Rd Myakka City, Florida 34251

Dear Mr. Peters:

We have received the letter of comity signed by Dr. Heather Fitch, Veterinary Services Branch of the Manitoba Agriculture and Food, Canada regarding the proposed export and re-import of two California sea lions (Zalophus californianus) and two South American sea lions (Otaria byronia) from the United States to the Red River Exhibition Park, Winnipeg, Canada for temporary exhibition.

This transport to Canada and subsequent re-import to the United States is authorized to occur between June 10 and July 8, 2005. As you are aware, the transport and maintenance of these animals must be conducted in accordance with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal Welfare Act standards.

To ensure an accurate Marine Mammal Inventory, please verify the return of the animals to the United States within 30 days. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Skidmore of the Permits, Conservation and Education Division at (301) 713-2289.

Sincerely,

Stephen L. Leathery

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