

for observers under the Community Development Quota and American Fisheries Act fisheries.

4. Discuss long-term issues and establish timelines for further resolution. These issues include overall program funding, service delivery model, fee program development, cost distribution, and appropriate observer coverage levels, by fishery.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this committee for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified 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 committee's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Helen Allen, 907-271-2809, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: February 23, 2000.

Bruce C. Morehead,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 021700D]

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Ad-Hoc Groundfish Strategic Plan Development Committee will hold a telephone conference and a work session which are open to the public.

DATES: The telephone conference will be held March 21, 2000, from 10 a.m. until noon. The work session will be held Wednesday, June 14 at 10 a.m. and may go into the evening until business for

the day is completed. The work session will reconvene at 8 a.m. on Thursday, June 15 and continue throughout the day until business for the day is completed.

ADDRESSES: Five listening stations for the March 21 telephone conference will be available. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific locations for the telephone conference.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jim Glock, telephone: (503) 326-6352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the telephone conference is to review data prepared by the Council's Groundfish Management Team, to develop a public comment process for the draft strategic plan document, and to prepare for the upcoming March Council meeting. The purpose of the June working session is complete a final review of the draft strategic plan document before it is presented to the Council at its June 26-30 meeting.

The listening stations are located at:

1. Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, 1111 Washington Street, SE, Room 635, Olympia, WA 98501
Contact: Mr. Phil Anderson; (503) 902-2720
2. Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, 2040 SE Marine Science Drive, Newport, OR 97365
Contact: Mr. Neal Coenen; (541) 867-4741, Ext. 226
3. NMFS Northwest Region Office, Director's Conference Room, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, BIN C15700, Seattle, WA 98115
Contact: Mr. Bill Robinson; (206) 526-6142
4. California Department of Fish and Game, 330 Golden Shore, Suite 50, Long Beach, CA 90802
Contact: Ms. Patty Wolf; (562) 590-4873
5. Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201
Contact: Mr. Jim Glock; (503) 326-6352 Ext. 17

The June work session will be held at the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission, Large Conference Room, 45 SE 82nd Drive, Suite 100, Gladstone, OR; telephone: (503) 650-5400.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. John Rhoton at (503) 326-6352 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: February 22, 2000.

Bruce C. Morehead,

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

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected costs and burden.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 30, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CONTACT: Barbara Gold, Division of Trading and Markets, CFTC, (202) 418-5450; FAX: (202) 418-5455; email: bgold@cftc.gov and refer to OMB Control No. 3038-0005.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Rules Relating to the Operations and Activities of Commodity Pool Operators and Commodity Trading Advisors and to Monthly Reporting by Futures Commission Merchants (OMB Control No. 3038-0005). This is a request for revision of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: Existing Rule 4.7 provides exemptive relief from the disclosure, reporting and recordkeeping requirements applicable to registered commodity pool operators (CPOs) and commodity trading advisors (CTAs) with respect to pools and accounts owned solely by qualified eligible participants (QEPs) and qualified eligible clients (QECs), respectively. The

relief that is provided reduces the regulatory requirements that apply to registered CPOs and CTAs. The proposed amendments to Rule 4.7 would expand this relief by bringing within the QEP and QEC definitions persons not included in the existing rules. Thus, the proposed amendments, if adopted, would further reduce the regulatory burdens on registered CPOs and CTAs.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for the CFTC's regulations were published on December 30, 1981. See 46 FR 63035 (Dec. 30, 1981).

Burden statement: The respondent burden for this collection is estimated to average 7.25 hours per response. These estimates include the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Commodity Pool Operators, Commodity Trading Advisors, Futures Commission Merchants.

Estimated number of respondents: 7,362.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 100,018 hours.

Frequency of collection: On occasion, quarterly, monthly, annually.

Send comments regarding the burden estimated or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the addresses listed below. Please refer to OMB Control No. 3038-0005 in any correspondence.

Barbara Gold, Division of Trading and Markets, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581 and Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for CFTC, 725 17th Street, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: February 23, 2000.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary of the Commission.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected costs and burden.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 30, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY

CONTACT: Lawrence B. Patent, Division of Trading and Markets, CFTC, (202) 418-5439; FAX: (202) 418-5536; email: lpatent@cftc.gov and refer to OMB Control No. 3038-0024.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Regulations and Forms Pertaining to the Financial Integrity of the Marketplace (OMB Control No. 3038-0024). This is a request for extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The commodity futures markets play a vital role in the furthering of global commerce by providing commercial users and speculators with a price discovery mechanism for the commodities traded on such markets and by providing commercial users of the markets with a mechanism for hedging their goods and services against price risks. The Commodity Futures Trading Commission is the independent federal regulatory agency charged with providing various forms of customer protection so that users of the markets can be assured of the financial integrity of the markets and the intermediaries that they employ in their trading activities. Among the financial safeguards the Commission has imposed on commodity brokerages, technically futures commission merchants (FCMs) and introducing brokers (IBs), are minimum capital standards and, for FCMs, a requirement that they segregate and separately account for the funds they receive from their commodity customers. In order to monitor compliance with such financial standards, the Commission has required FCMs and IBs to file financial reports with the Commission and with the self-regulatory organizations (SROs) of

which they are members. (See Commission Rule 1.10, 17 CFR 1.10.)

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for the CFTC's regulations were published on December 30, 1981. See 46 FR 63035 (Dec. 30, 1981).

Burden statement: The respondent burden for this collection is estimated to average 1.0 hours per response. These estimates include the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Futures Commission Merchants, Introducing Brokers.

Estimated Number of respondents: 2,529.

Estimated total annual burden or respondents: 28,442 hours.

Frequency of collection: On occasion, quarterly, monthly, annually, semi-annually.

Send comments regarding the burden estimated or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the addresses listed below. Please refer to OMB Control No. 3038-0005 in any correspondence.

Lawrence B. Patent, Division of Trading and Markets, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581 and Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for CFTC, 725 17th Street, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: February 23, 2000.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary of the Commission.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: Tuesday, March 7, 2000, 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 410, East West Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.