

national, regional, industry, and international economic accounts, especially in areas of new and rapidly growing economic activities arising from innovative and advancing technologies, and provides recommendations from the perspectives of the economics profession, business, and government. This will be the Committee's twenty-fourth meeting.

Dated: September 5, 2012.

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Deputy Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Executive-Led Trade Mission to South Africa and Zambia

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service is amending the Notice published at 77 FR 31574, May 29, 2012, regarding the Executive-Led Trade Mission to South Africa and Zambia scheduled for November 26–30, 2012, to revise the dates of the application deadline from October 5, 2012 to the new deadline of October 12, 2012.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Amendments to Revise the Dates and Provide for Selection of Applicants on a Rolling Basis:

Background

Recruitment for this Mission began in May 2012. Due to summer holidays, it has been determined that additional time is needed to allow for additional recruitment and marketing in support of the mission. Applications will now be accepted through October 12, 2012 (and after that date if space remains and scheduling constraints permit), interested U.S. agriculture, mining, transportation, water, energy and infrastructure firms and trade organizations which have not already submitted an application are encouraged to do so.

Amendments

For the reasons stated above, the Timeframe for Recruitment and Applications section of the Notice of the Executive-Led Trade Mission to South

Africa and Zambia. Recruitment for this mission will conclude no later than September 21, 2012. The U.S.

Department of Commerce will review applications and make selection decisions on a rolling basis beginning August 5, 2012. We will inform all applicants of selection decisions no later than October 26, 2012.

Applications received after the October 12, 2012 deadline will be considered only if space and scheduling constraints permit.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Marine Mammals; File No. 16239

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Dan Engelhaupt, Ph.D., HDR EOC, 5700 Lake Wright Drive, Norfolk, VA 23502-1859, has applied in due form for a permit to conduct research on cetaceans and pinnipeds in the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or email comments must be received on or before November 5, 2012.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review by selecting "Records Open for Public Comment" from the *Features* box on the Applications and Permits for Protected Species (APPS) home page, <https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov>, and then selecting File No. 16239 from the list of available applications.

These documents are also available upon written request or by appointment in the following offices: See

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

Written comments on this application should be submitted to the Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, at the address listed above. Comments may also be submitted by facsimile to (301) 713-0376, or by email to *NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov*. Please include

the File No. in the subject line of the email comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request to the Chief, Permits and Conservation Division at the address listed above. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kristy Beard or Joselyd Garcia-Reyes, (301) 427-8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222-226).

The purpose of the proposed research is to study: (1) Presence/absence of marine mammals in U.S. Naval exercise, proposed energy and construction areas; (2) movement patterns of marine mammal species most at risk; and (3) population structure based on a variety of parameters for marine mammals occupying waters shared with the U.S. Navy, renewable energy industry, and pier-based industries requiring construction activities. All species of cetaceans and pinnipeds would be harassed during vessel and aerial surveys, including photo-identification. Cetacean species would be harassed during underwater photography. Surveys would be conducted year-round in all U.S. and international waters in the Pacific Ocean (including Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California, Hawaii, Guam, Marianas Islands, and other U.S. territories) and Atlantic Ocean (including the Gulf of Mexico, western North Atlantic, Caribbean Sea, and Sargasso Seas). The permit would be valid for five years.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of the application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Documents may be reviewed in the following locations: