DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS-2012-0003]

Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on General Principles

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is sponsoring a public meeting on March 28, 2012. The objective of the public meeting is to provide information and receive public comments on agenda items and draft United States (U.S.) positions that will be discussed at the 27th session of the Codex Committee on General Principles (CCGP) of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Codex), which will be held in Paris, France, April 2–6, 2012. The Under Secretary for Food Safety recognizes the importance of providing interested parties the opportunity to obtain background information on the 27th session of the CCGP and to address items on the agenda.

DATES: The public meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 28, 2012, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the Jamie L. Whitten Building, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 107–A, Washington, DC 20250.

Documents related to the 27th session of CCGP will be accessible via the World Wide Web at the following address: http://

www.codexalimentarius.org/.

Karen Stuck, U.S. Delegate to the 27th session of the CCGP, invites U.S. interested parties to submit their comments electronically to the following email address: USCODEX@fsis.usda.gov.

Call-In Number

If you wish to participate in the public meeting for the 27th session of the CCGP by conference call, please use the call-in number and participant code listed below:

Call-in Number: 1 (888) 858–2144. Participant Code: 6208658.

For Further Information About the 27th Session of the CCGP Contact: Karen Stuck, U.S. Codex Office, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 4861, Washington, DC 20250, telephone: (202) 205–7760, fax: (202) 720–3157 email: USCODEX@fsis.usda.gov. For Further Information About the Public Meeting Contact: Barbara McNiff, U.S. Codex Office, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 4861, Washington, DC 20250. Telephone: +1 (202) 205– 7760, fax: +1 (202) 720–3157, email: USCODEX@fsis.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Codex was established in 1963 by two United Nations organizations, the Food and Agriculture Organization and the World Health Organization. Through adoption of food standards, codes of practice, and other guidelines developed by its committees, and by promoting their adoption and implementation by governments, Codex seeks to protect the health of consumers and ensure fair practices in the food trade.

The CCGP is responsible for dealing with procedural and general matters referred to it by Codex, for proposing amendments to the Codex Procedural Manual, and for reviewing and endorsing procedural provisions and texts forwarded by Codex committees for inclusion in the Procedural Manual. The Committee is hosted by France.

Issues To Be Discussed at the Public Meeting

The following items on the agenda for the 27th session of the CCGP will be discussed during the public meeting:

Matters Referred to the CCGP.

• Issues Surrounding Codex

Standards Held at Step 8.

• Mechanism for Examining Economic Impact Statements.

• Review of the Risk Analysis Policies of Codex Committees.

• Definition of the Term "Hazard".

• Proposed Amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Committee.

• Development of Joint Codex-World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) Standards.

• Distribution of Codex Documents and Length and Content of Meeting Reports.

Éach issue listed will be fully described in documents distributed, or to be distributed, by the Secretariat prior to the meeting. Members of the public may access or request copies of these documents (see **ADDRESSES**).

Public Meeting

At the March 28, 2012, public meeting, draft U.S. positions on the agenda items will be described and discussed, and attendees will have the opportunity to pose questions and offer comments. Written comments may be offered at the meeting or sent to the U.S. Delegate for the 27th session of the CCGP, Karen Stuck (see **ADDRESSES**). Written comments should state that they relate to activities of the 27th session of the CCGP.

Additional Public Notification

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Karen Stuck,

U.S. Manager for Codex Alimentarius. [FR Doc. 2012–3060 Filed 2–9–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–DM–P

ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

Meetings

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) plans to hold its regular committee and Board meetings in Washington, DC, Monday through Wednesday, March 12–14, 2012 on the times and location listed below.

DATES: The schedule of events is as follows:

Monday, March 12, 2012

- 10:00–10:30 a.m. Budget Committee. 10:45–11:30 Ad Hoc Committee on
- Accessible Design in Education.
- 11:30–Noon Preview of revised Access Board Web site.
- 1:30–2:30 p.m. Strategic Planning.
- 2:45–3:45 Ad Hoc Committee on Frontier Issues.

Tuesday, March 13, 2012

- 9:30–10:30 a.m. Technical Programs Committee.
- 10:45–4:00 p.m. Ad Hoc Committee Meetings: Closed to Public.

Wednesday, March 14, 2012

1:30–3:00 p.m. Board Meeting. **ADDRESSES:** Meetings will be held at the Access Board Conference Room, 1331 F Street NW., suite 800, Washington, DC 20004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the meetings, please contact David Capozzi, Executive Director, (202) 272–0010 (voice); (202) 272–0054 (TTY).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the Board meeting scheduled on the afternoon of Wednesday, March 14, 2012, the Access Board will consider the following agenda items:

- Approval of the draft January 11, 2012 meeting minutes (vote).
- Budget Committee Report.
- Technical Programs Committee Report.
- Planning and Evaluation Committee Report.

- Ad Hoc Committee Reports.
 Ad Hoc Committee on Outdoor Developed Areas (vote).
 - Ad Hoc Committee on Shared Use Paths (vote).
- Executive Director's Report.
- Election of Officers (vote).
- Public Comment, Open Topics.

All meetings are accessible to persons with disabilities. An assistive listening system, computer assisted real-time transcription (CART), and sign language interpreters will be available at the Board meeting and committee meetings. Persons attending Board meetings are requested to refrain from using perfume, cologne, and other fragrances for the comfort of other participants (see *www.access-board.gov/about/policies/ fragrance.htm* for more information).

David M. Capozzi,

Executive Director. [FR Doc. 2012–3063 Filed 2–9–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 8150–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Alaska Commercial Operator's Annual Report (COAR).

OMB Control Number: 0648–0428. Form Number(s): NA. Type of Request: Regular submission (extension of a current information

collection). Number of Respondents: 204. Average Hours per Response: 8. Burden Hours: 1,632.

Needs and Uses: This request is for extension of a currently approved information collection.

The Alaska Commercial Operator's Annual Report (COAR) collects harvest and production information broken out by specific criteria such as gear type, area, delivery and product type, and pounds and value. The COAR is due by April 1 of the year following any buying or processing activity.

Any person or company who received a Fisheries Business License from the Alaska Department of Revenue and an Intent to Operate Permit by Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) is required to annually submit the COAR to State of Alaska, ADF&G, under Alaska Administrative Code (AAC), chapter 5 AAC 39.130. In addition, any person or company who receives an Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) only permit from ADF&G annually must submit a COAR to ADF&G. Any owner of a catcher/processor or mothership with a Federal permit operating in the EEZ off Alaska is required to annually submit a COAR to ADF&G under 50 CFR 679.5(p).

The COAR provides information on ex-vessel and first wholesale values for statewide fish and shellfish products. Containing information from shoreside processors, stationary floating processors, motherships, and catcher/ processors, this data collection yields equivalent annual product value information for all respective processing sectors and provides a consistent time series according to which groundfish resources may be managed more efficiently.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit organizations.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory. OMB Desk Officer:

OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482–0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at JJessup@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to

OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: February 7, 2012.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer. [FR Doc. 2012–3143 Filed 2–9–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–P

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

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