

biological sciences which include but are not limited to: (a) assessment of which structural components of the nucleus remain after progressive dismantling of nuclear components by high salt, nuclease, and detergent treatment in research designed to probe nuclear matrix structure and function in plant cells and (b) characterization of cellular defects in various *Drosophila* mutants which figure prominently in molecular biology. In addition, the instrument will be used for educational purposes in several biology courses. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: January 4, 1996.

*Docket Number*: 96-004. *Applicant*: University of California at Berkeley, 485 Hearst Mining Bldg., Berkeley, CA 94720. *Instrument*: Mass/Energy Spectrometer. *Manufacturer*: Hiden Analytical Ltd., United Kingdom. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used for determining the mass, energy and flux of ions, neutrals and radicals generated by an activated nitrogen source. It will also be used for trace impurity measurements. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: January 11, 1996.

*Docket Number*: 96-005. *Applicant*: Scripps Research Institute, 10666 North Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, CA 92037. *Instrument*: Electron Microscope, Model CM120. *Manufacturer*: Philips, The Netherlands. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used for studies of the structure of tobacco, alfalfa, and cucumber mosaic viruses, muscle proteins, nuclear pore complexes, microtubules, CHIP28 water channels, acetylcholine receptors, gap junctions, rotavirus and reovirus, and rice yellow mottle virus. The goals of the investigations are in general to understand the structural basis for how the subcellular organelles and supramolecular assemblies function and to elucidate the role that they play in the life of the cell. In addition, the instrument will be used to provide training in use of the electron microscope as a research tool. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: February 6, 1996.

*Docket Number*: 96-007. *Applicant*: U.S. Department of Commerce, NOAA/ERL/CMDL, R/E/CGI, 325 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80303. *Instrument*: Stable Isotope Mass Spectrometer, Model OPTIMA. *Manufacturer*: Fisons Instruments, United Kingdom. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used to measure the stable isotope ratios of CO<sub>2</sub> from flask samples of atmospheric air sampled weekly from about 50 sites worldwide and analyzed for the mixing ratios of methane, carbon monoxide and other gases. The instrument will also be

used to measure the stable isotope ratios of CO<sub>2</sub> from standard and reference materials as required to maintain the integrity and calibration of the data base of atmospheric measurements.

*Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: February 6, 1996.

*Docket Number*: 96-008. *Applicant*: University of California, Los Alamos National Laboratory, P.O. Box 990, Los Alamos, NM 87545. *Instrument*: Mass Spectrometer, Model Plasma Trace 2. *Manufacturer*: Fisons Instruments, United Kingdom. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used for studies of soils, high purity silicon chips, waters and low level waste streams to determine trace analytes in a given sample. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: February 7, 1996.

Frank W. Creel

*Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff*  
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#### **University of Hawaii, et al.; Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments**

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

*Comments*: None received. *Decision*: Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instruments described below, for such purposes as each is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

*Docket Number*: 94-154R. *Applicant*: University of Hawaii, Honolulu, HI 96822. *Instrument*: ICP Mass Spectrometer, Model PlasmaQuad. *Manufacturer*: Fisons Instruments, United Kingdom. *Intended Use*: See notice at 60 FR 5165, January 26, 1995. *Reasons*: The foreign instrument provides a UV laser ablation sample introduction system. *Advice Received From*: National Institutes of Health, February 14, 1996.

*Docket Number*: 95-115. *Applicant*: University of Vermont, Burlington, VT 05405-0082. *Instrument*: Ammonia Emission Measurement Equipment. *Manufacturer*: Swedish Institute of Agricultural Engineering, Sweden.

*Intended Use*: See notice at 60 FR 64158, December 14, 1995. *Reasons*: The foreign instrument provides in-situ measurement of equilibrium concentrations of ammonia in a ventilated chamber employing passive diffusion samplers. *Advice Received From*: National Institutes of Health, February 5, 1996.

The National Institutes of Health advises in its memoranda that (1) the capabilities of each of the foreign instruments described above are pertinent to each applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value for the intended use of each instrument.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus being manufactured in the United States which is of equivalent scientific value to either of the foreign instruments.

Frank W. Creel,

*Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff*  
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#### **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

##### **Bluefin Tuna Dealer Reports**

**ACTION**: Proposed Collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY**: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES**: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 30, 1996.

**ADDRESSES**: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington DC 20230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Kevin Foster, NMFS—One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01915 (508-281-9260).

##### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

###### **I. Abstract**

The information collected in the Dealer Package is used by NMFS to

monitor the U.S. catch in relation to the quota, thereby ensuring that the United States complies with its international obligations to the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT). Other provisions of the domestic regulations are also monitored through this collection of information, such as compliance with area closures, fishing seasons, and subquotas by gear type and/or user group. This information provides the catch data necessary to assess the status of bluefin tuna resources. Assessments are conducted and presented to ICCAT annually. The data provide the basis for ICCAT management recommendations which become binding on member nations. In addition, the Dealer Package provides essential information for domestic management policy and rule making.

## II. Method of Collection

Dealers who buy, sell, or receive for commercial purposes any large, medium, or giant size class Atlantic bluefin tuna are required to report all transactions to NMFS via daily and biweekly reporting forms. These collect certain information for each Atlantic bluefin tuna that is sold at landing. Dealers who purchase any other types or sizes of Atlantic tuna, or Pacific coast dealers who export or import bluefin tuna, are required to submit biweekly reports only.

## III. Data

*OMB Number:* 0648-0239

*Form Number:* None

*Type of Review:* Regular submission for extension of a currently approved collection

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit (tuna dealers)

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 452

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 3 minutes for the daily reports, 16 minutes for the biweekly Atlantic report, 21 minutes for the Pacific biweekly report, and 13 minutes for the biweekly report on other Atlantic tunas.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,087 hours

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$0

## IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and

clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: February 26, 1996.

Linda Engelmeier,

*Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.*

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## Marine Mammals

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

**ACTION:** Receipt of application to modify permit no. 873 (P77(2) #63).

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Southwest Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service, P.O. Box 271, La Jolla, CA 92038-0271, has requested a modification to Permit No. 873.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received on or before April 1, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** The modification request and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4001); and Coordinator, Pacific Area Office, NMFS, NOAA, 2570 Dole Street, Room 106, Honolulu, HI 9682-2396 (808/973-2987).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request should be submitted to the Chief, Permits Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Jeannie Drevenak, 301/713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject modification is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR parts 217-222).

The Permit Holder is currently authorized to harass (i.e., through vessel approach, photogrammetry, and photographic identification, and tissue biopsy) several marine mammal species in Pacific, Southern, and Indian Oceans, over a 5-year period.

The Permit Holder is now requesting emergency modification of the Permit for authorization to increase the number of humpback whales (*Megaptera novaeangliae*) to be biopsy sampled from 20 to 100 for 1996, including 15 cow/calf pairs (i.e., 30 animals), in Hawaiian waters during the 1996 field season. In light of the Permittee's need to begin sampling activities in March 1996, or otherwise lose a unique research opportunity, we are considering whether this action meets legal criteria for granting the requested modification prior to the close of the 30-day comment period.

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

Dated: February 26, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Adjustment of Import Restraint Levels for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Mexico

February 26, 1996.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs increasing levels.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 4, 1996.