

instruments described below, for such purposes as each is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

Docket Number: 97-014. Applicant: University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA 70148. *Instrument:* Mass Spectrometer, Model VG AutoSpec. *Manufacturer:* Micromass, Inc., United Kingdom. *Intended Use:* See notice at 62 FR 13600, March 21, 1997. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides a signal-to-noise ratio of 800:1 for the methyl stearate ion at m/z 298 and a continuously variable scan rate of 0.1 to 1000 s/decade. Advice received from: National Institutes of Health, March 19, 1997.

Docket Number: 97-022. Applicant: Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ 08855. *Instrument:* 20/20 SI Mass Spectrometer. *Manufacturer:* Europa Scientific, United Kingdom. *Intended Use:* See notice at 62 FR 15657, April 2, 1997. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides: (1) A magnetic sector analyzer with three Faraday collectors, (2) sensitivity of 1100 molecules of CO₂ per mass 44 ion and (3) resolution = 125 (N₂) 10% valley definition. Advice received from: National Institutes of Health, March 19, 1997.

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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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Export Trade Certificate of Review

ACTION: Notice of Issuance of an Amended Export Trade Certificate of Review, Application No. 95-A0006.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce has issued an amendment to the Export Trade Certificate of Review granted to Water and Wastewater Equipment Manufacturers Association ("WWEMA") on June 21, 1996. Notice of issuance of the Certificate was

published in the **Federal Register** on July 12, 1996 (61 FR 36708).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: W. Dawn Busby, Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, (202) 482-5131. This is not a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 (15 U.S.C. 4001-21) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue Export Trade Certificates of Review. The regulations implementing Title III are found at 15 CFR part 325 (1997).

The Office of Export Trading Company Affairs ("OETCA") is issuing this notice pursuant to 15 CFR 325.6(b), which requires the Department of Commerce to publish a summary of a Certificate in the **Federal Register**. Under Section 305 (a) of the Act and 15 CFR 325.11(a), any person aggrieved by the Secretary's determination may, within 30 days of the date of this notice, bring an action in any appropriate district court of the United States to set aside the determination on the ground that the determination is erroneous.

Description of Amended Certificate

Export Trade Certificate of Review No. 95-00006, was issued to the Water and Wastewater Equipment Manufacturers Association on June 21, 1996 (61 FR 36708, July 12, 1996).

WWEMA's Export Trade Certificate of Review has been amended to:

1. Add the following companies as new "Members" of the Certificate within the meaning of Section 325.2(1) of the Regulations (15 C.F.R. 325.2(1)): Ashbrook Corporation, Houston, Texas and The F.B. Leopold Company Inc., Zelenople, Pennsylvania (Parent: Thames Water Products & Services); Jeffrey Chain Corporation, Morristown, Tennessee; and Waterlink, Inc., Canton, Ohio, and its subsidiaries which include Aero-Mod, Incorporated, Manhattan, Kansas; Great Lakes Environmental, Inc., Addison, Illinois; Mass Transfer Systems, Inc., Fall River, Massachusetts; SanTech, Inc. dba Sanborn Technologies, Medway, Massachusetts; Water Equipment Technologies, Inc., West Palm Beach, Florida; and Waterlink Operational Services, Inc. dba Blue Water Services, Manhattan, Kansas.

A copy of the amended Certificate will be kept in the International Trade Administration's Freedom of Information Records Inspection Facility, Room 4102, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

Dated: May 24, 1997.

W. Dawn Busby,

Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Northeast Region Permit Family of Forms

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 July 28, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, 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 Bonnie Rayl, 1 Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930, 508-281-9244.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Participants in Federally-controlled fisheries are required to obtain permits. The purpose and use of permits is to: (1) Register fishermen, fishing vessels, fish dealers and processors, (2) list the characteristics of fishing vessels and/or dealer/processor operations, (3) exercise influence over compliance (e.g. withhold issuance pending collection of unpaid penalties), (4) provide a mailing list for the dissemination of important information to the industry, (5) register participants to be considered for limited entry, and (6) provide a universe for data collection samples. Identification of the participants, their gear types, vessels, and expected activity levels is an effective tool in the enforcement of fishery regulations. This information is needed to measure the consequences of management controls as well.

Participants in certain fisheries may also be required to notify NOAA before fishing trips for the purpose of observer placement and to make other reports on fishing activities.

II. Method of Collection

Initial permit applications are made by form. After the initial permit issuance, permit renewal has been made as simple as possible for both the public and the issuing office. The information obtained from current permits is used to prepare a computer-generated pre-printed renewal permit which is sent to the permit holder for updating. If there are no changes to the information required on the permit, renewal requires nothing more than a signature from the applicant.

Amendments to the multispecies and sea scallop FMPs have adopted automated reporting for all vessels fishing under limited access categories. The Vessel Tracking System (VTS) is required for all multispecies vessels issued an Individual DAS or Combination Vessel permit, scallop vessels issued a full-time or part-time limited access scallop permit, scallop vessels fishing under the small dredge program, or vessels issued a limited access multispecies or scallop permit whose owners voluntarily elect to use the VTS. All remaining limited access multispecies and scallop permit holders are required to report via a call-in system. This reporting is required in order to monitor: (1) Usage of days-at-sea allocations, (2) Compliance with vessel layover requirements, and (3) Compliance with "days out of the fishery" requirements.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0202.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular Submission.

Affected Public: Small businesses or other for-profit are primarily affected.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,500 (gillnet) + 47,678 (all others) = 50,178 total respondents.

Estimated Time Per Response: Preprinted renewals require an estimated 15 minutes to complete, while an initial vessel permit application is estimated at 0.5 hours per response. In order to obtain an Atlantic Bluefish permit an applicant would need to complete a separate permit application, at an estimated response time of 5 minutes per response. Dealer permits take five minutes to complete. The operator permit application is estimated to take an average of 1 hour due to the requirement to submit color photographs.

For each multispecies trip (estimated at 1/month/vessel) or block of time out of the fishery (estimated at four blocks per vessel), vessels must notify NMFS of the start date and end date through the call-in system. The notifications associated with this amount to 32 notifications/vessel, at an estimated 2 minutes per response. Occasional sea scallop vessels must notify NMFS 30 times per year at an estimated 2 minutes per response. The burden of the vessel monitoring is estimated at 2 minutes for submission of proof of VTS installation. The burden of the notification requirement for vessels which must enter Closed Area II is estimated at 2 minutes each. Requests for observer coverage are estimated at 2 minutes each. Operators of tuna purse seine vessels may request an inspection 24 hours before the start of a trip or off-loading of tuna at an estimated 5 minutes per response. In addition, 6 hour pre-notification of tuna off-loading by tuna "Buy-Boat" operators is estimated at 5 minutes per response.

Vessels seeking to participate in the small mesh, mid-water trawl, or cultivator shoal exemption programs will be required to notify NMFS as to the beginning and end of the desired interval within the exemption period. These notifications are estimated at 2 minutes per notification. Requests for Atlantic Bluefin Tuna exemption permits require approximately 1 hour per response. Completion of catch reports under the Atlantic Bluefin Tuna exemption permit are estimated to require approximately 1.9 hours per respondent.

Applicants are expected to spend approximately 3 hours gathering and presenting the documentation needed for a limited access lobster or multispecies Hook Gear appeals. Applicants are expected to spend approximately one half hour gathering and presenting the documentation needed for either moratorium scup or black sea bass appeals.

For participants of the gillnet tag program it is estimated to take 2 minutes per initial request for tags. It will take an estimated 1-3 minutes to attach tags and an estimated 2 minutes per respondent to report lost tags, if replacement tags aren't needed, and an estimated 5 minutes per respondent to report lost tags and order replacement tags. It will take an estimated 2 minutes for respondents to call out of the gillnet fishery for the 120 days required. For participants of the cod trip limit exemption program fishing south of 42°00' N. Latitude, it is estimated to take approximately 2 minutes to request the certificate of enrollment. For

respondents that exceed their possession limit North of 42°00' N. Latitude it will take an estimated 3 minutes to report hail weight through the call-in.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,998.9 (gillnet) + 31,203 (all others) = 33,201.9.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$28,000 (for gillnet tags) + \$2,546,560 = \$2,574,560.

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: May 21, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Formation of National Marine Fisheries Service Advisory Panels for National Academy of Sciences Study on Individual Fishing Quotas and Formation of National Marine Fisheries Service Advisory Panel for Ecosystem Principles

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that NMFS has selected members for an East coast and a West coast advisory panel for an Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) study to be conducted by the National