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*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for
Economic Development.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Application

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of application.

The following applicant has applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*).

Applicant: Ronald L. Richards,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

The applicant requests a permit to take (collect, dead shells only) the following unionid species in Indiana: Clubshell (*Pleurobema clava*), Fanshell (*Cyprogenia stegaria*), Ring-pink mussel (*Obovaria retusa*), Winged Mapleleaf Mussel (*Quadrula fragosa*), Cracking pearly mussel (*Hemistena lata*), Orange-footed pearly mussel (*Plethobasus cooperianus*), Pink mucket pearly mussel (*Lampsilis abrupta*), Purple cat's paw pearly mussel (*Epioblasma obliquata obliquata*), Tubercled-blossom (*Epioblasma torulosa torulosa*), White cat's paw (*Epioblasma sulcata delicata*), White wartback pearly mussel (*Plethobasus cicatricosus*) Rough pigtoe (*Pleurobema plenum*), Fat Pocketbook (*Potamilus capax*), and Northern Riffleshell (*Epioblasma torulosa rangiana*). Activities are proposed to supplement the collection at the Indiana State Museum and to document the former distribution and abundance of freshwater mussels in Indiana for the purpose of survival and enhancement of the species in the wild.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Operations, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056, and must be received within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with this application are available for review by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Operations,

1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling,
Minnesota 55111-4056. Telephone:
(612/725-3536 x250); FAX: (612/725-
3526).

Dated: May 20, 1997.

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(Ecological Services), Region 3, Fort Snelling,
Minnesota.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Outer Continental Shelf, Gulf of Mexico Region, Proposed Central Gulf Sales 169, 172, 175, 178, and 182

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the
Draft Multisale Environmental Impact
Statement (EIS) and Public Hearings on
Proposed Central Gulf of Mexico (GOM)
Sales 169, 172, 175, 178, and 182.

The Minerals Management Service (MMS) has prepared a draft multisale EIS on five proposed Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) oil and gas lease sales in the Central GOM. We will conduct a planning process for one sale each year from 1998 through 2002. Although this EIS addresses five proposed lease sales, it is a decision document only for proposed Sale 169. We will consult with other Federal Agencies and the affected States for each of the yearly proposed sales. We will perform a National Environmental Policy Act review, and give the public an opportunity to participate in each sale.

You may obtain single copies of the draft multisale EIS from the Minerals Management Service, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, Attention: Public Information Office (MS-5034), 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, Room 114, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394 or by calling 1-800-200-GULF.

You may look at copies of the draft EIS in the following libraries:

Texas

Abilene Christian University, Margaret
and Herman Brown Library, 1600
Campus Court, Abilene;
Alma M. Carpenter Public Library, 330
South Ann, Sourlake;
Aransas Pass Public Library, 110 North
Lamont Street, Aransas Pass;
Austin Public Library, 402 West Ninth
Street, Austin;
Bay City Public Library, 1900 Fifth
Street, Bay City;
Baylor University, 13125 Third Street,
Waco;

Brazoria County Library, 410 Brazoport
Boulevard, Freeport;
Calhoun County Library, 301 South
Ann, Port Lavaca;
Chambers County Library System, 202
Cummings Street, Anahuac;
Comfort Public Library, Seventh & High
Streets, Comfort;
Corpus Christi Central Library, 805
Comanche Street, Corpus Christi;
Dallas Public Library, 1513 Young
Street, Dallas;
East Texas State University Library,
2600 Neal Street, Commerce;
Houston Public Library, 500 McKinney
Street, Houston;
Jackson County Library, 411 North
Wells Street, Edna;
Lamar University, Gray Library, Virginia
Avenue, Beaumont;
LaRatama Library, 505 Mesquite Street,
Corpus Christi;
Liberty Municipal Library, 1710 Sam
Houston Avenue, Liberty;
Orange Public Library, 220 North Fifth
Street, Orange;
Port Arthur Public Library, 3601
Cultural Center Drive, Port Arthur;
Port Isabel Public Library, 213 Yturria
Street, Port Isabel;
R. J. Kleberg Public Library, Fourth and
Henrietta, Kingsville;
Reber Memorial Library 193 North
Fourth, Raymondville;
Refugio County Public Library, 815
South Commerce Street, Refugio;
Rice University, Fondren Library, 6100
South Main Street, Houston;
Rockwall County Library, 105 South
First Street, Rockwall;
Rosenberg Library, 2310 Sealy Street,
Galveston;
Sam Houston Regional Library &
Research Center, FM 1011 Governors
Road, Liberty;
Stephen F. Austin State University,
Steen Library, Wilson Drive,
Nacogdoches;
Texas A & M University, Corpus Christi
Library, 6300 Ocean Drive, Corpus
Christi;
Texas A & M University, Evans Library,
Spence and Lubbock Streets, College
Station;
Texas Southmost College Library, 1825
May Street, Brownsville;
Texas State Library, 1200 Brazos Street,
Austin;
Texas Tech University Library, 18th and
Boston Avenue, Lubbock;
University of Houston Library, 4800
Calhoun Boulevard, Houston;
University of Texas at Arlington,
Library, 701 South Cooper Street,
Arlington;
University of Texas at Austin, Library,
21st and Speedway Streets, Austin;
University of Texas at Brownsville,
Oliveria Memorial Library, 80 Fort
Brown, Brownsville;

University of Texas at Dallas, McDermott Library, 2601 North Floyd Road, Richardson;

University of Texas at El Paso, Library, Wiggins Road and University Avenue, El Paso;

University of Texas at San Antonio, Library, 6900 North Loop 1604 West, San Antonio;

University of Texas Law School, Tarlton Law Library, 727 East 26th Street, Austin;

University of Texas, LBJ School of Public Affairs Library, 2313 Red River Street, Austin;

Victoria Public Library, 320 North Main, Victoria;

Louisiana

Calcasieu Parish Library, 327 Broad Street, Lake Charles;

Cameron Parish Library, Marshall Street, Cameron;

Grand Isle Branch Library, Highway 1, Grand Isle;

Government Documents Library, Loyola University, 6363 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans;

Iberville Parish Library, 24605 J. Gerald Berret Boulevard, Plaquemine;

Jefferson Parish Regional Branch Library, 4747 West Napoleon Avenue, Metairie;

Jefferson Parish West Bank Outreach Branch Library, 2751 Manhattan Boulevard, Harvey;

Lafayette Public Library, 301 W. Congress Street, Lafayette;

Lafitte Branch Library, Route 1, Box 2, Lafitte;

Lafourche Parish Library, 303 West 5th Street, Thibodaux;

Louisiana State University Library, 760 Riverside Road, Baton Rouge;

Louisiana Tech University, Prescott Memorial Library, Everet Street, Ruston;

LUMCON, Library, Star Route 541, Chauvin;

McNeese State University, Luther E. Frazar Memorial Library, Ryan Street, Lake Charles;

New Orleans Public Library, 219 Loyola Avenue, New Orleans;

Nicholls State University, Nicholls State Library, Leighton Drive, Thibodaux;

Plaquemines Parish Library, 203 Highway 11, South, Buras;

St. Bernard Parish Library, 1125 East St. Bernard Highway, Chalmette;

St. Charles Parish Library, 105 Lakewood Drive, Luling;

St. John The Baptist Parish Library, 1334 West Airline Highway, LaPlace;

St. Mary Parish Library, 206 Iberia Street, Franklin;

St. Tammany Parish Library, Covington Branch, 310 West 21st Street, Covington;

St. Tammany Parish Library, Slidell Branch, 555 Robert Boulevard, Slidell;

Terrebonne Parish Library, 424 Roussell Street, Houma;

Tulane University, Howard Tilton Memorial Library, 7001 Freret Street, New Orleans;

University of New Orleans Library, Lakeshore Drive, New Orleans;

University of Southwestern LA, Dupre Library, 302 East St. Mary Boulevard, Lafayette;

Vermilion Parish Library, Abbeville Branch, 200 North Street, Abbeville.

Mississippi

Gulf Coast Research Laboratory, Gunter Library, 703 East Beach Drive, Ocean Springs;

Hancock County Library System, 312 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis;

Harrison County Library, 14th and 21st Avenues, Gulfport;

Jackson George Regional Library System, 3214 Pascagoula Street, Pascagoula.

Alabama

Dauphin Island Sea Lab, Marine Environmental Science Consortium, Library, Bienville Boulevard, Dauphin Island;

Gulf Shores Public Library, Municipal Complex, Route 3, Gulf Shores;

Mobile Public Library, 701 Government Street, Mobile;

Thomas B. Norton Public Library, 221 West 19th Avenue, Gulf Shores;

University of South Alabama, University Boulevard, Mobile;

Montgomery Public Library, 445 South Lawrence Street, Montgomery.

Florida

Bay County Public Library, 25 West Government Street, Panama City;

Charlotte-Glades Regional Library System, 18400 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte;

Collier County Public Library, 650 Central Avenue, Naples;

Environmental Library, Sarasota County, 7112 Curtis Avenue, Sarasota;

Florida A & M University, Coleman Memorial Library, Martin Luther King Boulevard, Tallahassee;

Florida Northwest Regional Library System, 25 West Government Street, Panama City;

Florida State University, Strozier Library, Call Street and Copeland Avenue, Tallahassee;

Fort Walton Beach Public Library, 105 Miracle Strip Parkway, Fort Walton Beach;

Leon County Public Library, 200 West Park Avenue, Tallahassee;

Marathon Public Library, 3152 Overseas Highway, Marathon;

Monroe County Public Library, 700 Fleming Street, Key West;

Port Charlotte Public Library, 2280 Aaron Street, Port Charlotte;

Selby Public Library, 1001 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota;

St. Petersburg Public Library, 3745 Avenue North, St. Petersburg;

Tampa-Hillsborough County Library, Documents Division, 900 North Ashley Drive, Tampa;

University of Florida Library, University Avenue, Gainesville;

University of Florida, Holland Law Library, Southwest 25th St. and 2nd Avenue, Gainesville;

West Florida Regional Library, 200 West Gregory Street, Pensacola.

There will be three public hearings held to receive comments on the draft multisale EIS. The hearings will provide us with information that will help in the evaluation of the potential effects of the proposed lease sales.

Louisiana—Houma on June 23, 1997, from 7:00—9:00 p.m. at the Plantation Inn, 1381 West Tunnel Boulevard, Houma, Louisiana; and New Orleans on June 25, 1997, from 1:00—3:00 p.m. at the Minerals Management Service, 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, Conference Room 111, Jefferson, Louisiana.

Alabama—Mobile on June 25, 1997, from 7:00—9:00 p.m. at the Adam's Mark Hotel, 64 South Water Street, Mobile, Alabama.

If you wish to testify at a hearing, you may register beginning 1 hour prior to the meeting. Speakers will be limited to 10 minutes. Each hearing will recess when all speakers have had an opportunity to testify. If there are no additional speakers, we will adjourn the hearing immediately after the recess. Written statements submitted at a hearing will be considered part of the hearing record. If you are unable to attend the hearing, you may submit written statements until July 22, 1997. Send written statements to the Regional Director (MS-5410), Minerals Management Service, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394.

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