

the market, nor improves the way existing technical needs are met.

### Channels of Marketing

The applicant states that steel producers, with few exceptions, sell directly to manufacturers of grader blades and draft keys through company sales forces. The applicant claims that, because carbon grader blade and draft key steels are used for precisely the same products as are the boron-added versions of the products, boron-added grader blade and draft key carbon steel from Canada is sold in precisely the same sales channels as plain grader blade and draft key carbon steel from Canada.

### Cost of Modification

The applicant alleges that, by adding about 0.0016 percent boron to high carbon steels, Canadian producers have been able to avoid dumping duties ranging from 1.47 percent to 68.7 percent, and that the cost of avoiding these duties, relative to the total value of the product itself, is negligible. The applicant estimates that Canadian producers can realize a value of 1.25 percent to 68.5 percent by avoiding the duties under the order in this case by adding 0.0016 percent boron to their product.

Other interested parties, Co-Steel Lasco, Caterpillar Inc., and Algoma Steel Inc., submitted comments arguing that the Department cannot initiate a "minor alterations" anticircumvention inquiry on a type of merchandise which the Department has previously determined to be outside the scope of the order. These interested parties base their argument on the decision of the Court of International Trade (CIT) in *Hylsa, S.A. v. United States*, Slip Op. 98-10 (February 3, 1998), which upheld the earlier decision of the CIT in *Wheatland Tube Co. v. United States*, 973 F. Supp. 149 (CIT 1997). As the Department disagrees with the decision in *Hylsa*, and as it is appealing this decision to the Federal Circuit, the Department is not bound to apply it to the determination of whether to initiate the requested inquiry.

Based on our evaluation of the application, we determine that a formal inquiry is warranted. Accordingly, we are initiating a circumvention inquiry concerning the antidumping duty order on cut-to-length carbon steel plate from Canada, pursuant to section 781(c) of the Tariff Act. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.225(l)(2), we will not instruct the Customs Service to suspend liquidation and require a cash deposit of estimated duties on the merchandise which is the subject of this inquiry

unless and until we issue an affirmative preliminary determination.

The Department will, following consultation with the interested parties, establish a schedule for questionnaires and comments on the issues. The Department intends to issue its final determination within 300 days of the date of publication of this initiation.

This notice is published in accordance with section 781(c) of the Tariff Act (19 U.S.C. 1677j(c)) and 19 CFR 351.225.

Dated: May 20, 1998.

**Robert S. LaRussa,**

*Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 051898B]

#### New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its enforcement oversight committee in June, 1998 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on June 16, 1998. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in Saugus, MA. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific locations.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council (781) 231-0422. Requests for special accommodations should be addressed to the New England Fishery Management Council, 5 Broadway, Saugus, MA 01906-1036; telephone: (781) 231-0422.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Meeting Dates and Agenda

Tuesday, June 16, 1998, 9:30 a.m.— Enforcement Committee.

### Meeting

Location: Council Office, 5 Broadway, Saugus, MA 01906; telephone (781) 231-0422.

The committee will discuss the effectiveness of current management measures, especially of trip limits, and review the penalty schedule used by General Counsel Northeast.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Committee for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice.

### Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting dates.

Dated: May 21, 1998.

**Bruce C. Morehead,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 052198B]

#### Marine Mammals

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

**ACTION:** Receipt of application for amendment.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Moana Productions, Inc., 311 Portlock Road, Honolulu, HI 96825, has requested an amendment to Photography Permit No. 867-1388.

**DATES:** Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before June 29, 1998.

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

Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Regional Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS, 709 W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street,