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### Revised Schedule and Agenda for the Executive and Budget Standing Committee Meeting

Monday, December 11, 2023, 12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., HST

1. Introductions and Approval of Agenda
2. Financial Reports
3. Administrative Reports
4. Inflation Reduction Act
5. Council Family Changes
6. Meetings and Workshops
7. Council Coordination Committee Meeting Outcomes
8. Election of Officers
9. Other Business
10. Public Comment
11. Discussion and Recommendations

### Revised Schedule and Agenda for the 197th Council Meeting

Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., HST

Closed Session on Litigation Related Matters (pursuant to MSA § 302(i)(3))

Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., HST

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Oath of Office—New Council Member
3. Approval of the 197th CM Agenda
4. Approval of the 196th CM Meeting Minutes
5. Executive Director's Report
6. Federal Agency Reports
  - A. National Marine Fisheries Service
  - B. NOAA Office of General Counsel Pacific Islands Section
  - C. Ethics Training
  - D. Enforcement Reports
  - E. U.S. State Department
  - F. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
  - G. Public Comment
  - H. Council Discussion and Action
7. Island Agency Reports
  - A. American Samoa Department of Marine and Wildlife Resources
  - B. CNMI Department of Lands and Natural Resources
  - C. Guam Department of Agriculture
  - D. Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources
  - E. Public Comment
  - F. Council Discussion and Action
8. Action Items
  - A. Fishing Regulations for the Proposed Pacific Remote Island National Marine Sanctuary (Final Action)
  - B. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
    - B.1 FIAC
    - B.2 AP
    - B.3 SSC
  - C. Public Comment

D. Council Discussion and Action  
Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., HST

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items  
Wednesday, December 13, 2023, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., HST

9. Action Items Continued
  - A. Discontinuing the Rebuilding Plan and Annual Catch Limit Specifications for the American Samoa Bottomfish Fishery for 2024–2026 (Final Action)
  - B. Hawaii FEP Uku Essential Fish Habitat Revision Amendment (Final Action)
  - C. Guam Bottomfish Stock Assessment WPSAR Terms of Reference
  - D. Multi-year U.S. Territorial Bigeye Tuna Catch Limit and Allocation Specification (Final Action)
  - E. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
    - E.1 FIAC
    - E.2 AP
    - E.3 SSC
  - F. Public Comment
  - G. Council Discussion and Action
10. Program Items
  - A. Council IRA Application Priorities and Development
  - B. Pelagic and International Fisheries Management Workshops
    - B.1 Council WCPO Longline Management Workshops
    - B.2 Outcomes of 20th Regular Session of the WCPFC
  - C. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
    - C.1 FIAC
    - C.2 AP
    - C.3 SSC
  - D. Public Comment
  - E. Council Discussion and Action
11. Administrative Matters
  - A. Financial Reports
  - B. Administrative Reports
  - C. Council Family Changes
  - D. Meetings and Workshops
  - E. Report on the CCC Meeting Outcomes
  - F. Executive and Budget Standing Committee Report
  - G. Public Comment
  - H. Council Discussion and Action
12. Other Business
13. Election of Officers

Non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before the Council for discussion and formal Council action during its 197th meeting. However, Council action on regulatory issues will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any regulatory issue arising after publication of this document that requires emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act,

provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take action to address the emergency.

### Special Accommodations

These meetings are accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522–8220 (voice) or (808) 522–8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Telecommunications and Information Administration

#### Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a public meeting of the Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee (Committee). The Committee provides advice to the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) on spectrum management policy matters.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held December 19, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time (EST).

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the NCTA—The Internet and Television Association, 25 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Suite 100, Washington, DC 20001. Public comments may be emailed to [arichardson@ntia.gov](mailto:arichardson@ntia.gov) or mailed to Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Room 4600, Washington, DC 20230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Antonio Richardson, Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 482–4156 or [arichardson@ntia.gov](mailto:arichardson@ntia.gov); and/or visit NTIA's website at <https://www.ntia.gov/category/csmac>.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Background:* The Committee provides advice to the Assistant Secretary of

Commerce for Communications and Information on needed reforms to domestic spectrum policies and management in order to: license radio frequencies in a way that maximizes public benefits; keep wireless networks as open to innovation as possible; and make wireless services available to all Americans. See Charter at <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/files/ntia/publications/csmac-charter-2021.pdf>.

This Committee is subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. 2, and is consistent with the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Act, 47 U.S.C. 904(b). The Committee functions solely as an advisory body in compliance with the FACA. For more information about the Committee visit: <http://www.ntia.gov/category/csmac>.

**Matters To Be Considered:** The planned meeting for Tuesday, December 19, 2023, will be the last meeting of this term and will include the final reports and recommendations from the Citizens Broadband Radio Service (CBRS), 6G wireless systems, and Electromagnetic Compatibility Improvements (ECI) subcommittees. NTIA will post a detailed agenda on its website, <http://www.ntia.gov/category/csmac>, prior to the meeting. To the extent that the meeting time and agenda permit, any member of the public may address the Committee regarding the agenda items. See *Open Meeting and Public Participation Policy*, available at <http://www.ntia.gov/category/csmac>.

**Time and Date:** The meeting will be held on December 19, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time (EST). The meeting time and the agenda topics are subject to change. Please refer to NTIA's website, <http://www.ntia.gov/category/csmac>, for the most up-to-date meeting agenda and access information.

**Place:** The meeting will be held at the NCTA—The Internet and Television Association, 25 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Suite 100, Washington, DC 20001. Individuals requiring accommodations are asked to notify Mr. Richardson at (202) 482-4156 or [arichardson@ntia.gov](mailto:arichardson@ntia.gov) at least ten (10) business days before the meeting.

**Status:** Interested parties are invited to join the teleconference and to submit written comments to the Committee at any time before or after the meeting. Parties wishing to submit written comments for consideration by the Committee in advance of the meeting are strongly encouraged to submit their comments in PDF and/or Microsoft Word format via electronic mail to [arichardson@ntia.gov](mailto:arichardson@ntia.gov). Comments may

also be sent via postal mail to Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Room 4600, Washington, DC 20230. It would be helpful if paper submissions also include a compact disc (CD) that contains the comments in one or both of the file formats specified above. CDs should be labeled with the name and organizational affiliation of the filer. Comments must be received five (5) business days before the scheduled meeting date in order to provide sufficient time for review. Comments received after this date will be distributed to the Committee but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting. Additionally, please note that there may be a delay in the distribution of comments submitted via postal mail to Committee members.

**Records:** NTIA maintains records of all Committee proceedings. Committee records are available for public inspection at NTIA's Washington, DC office at the address above. Documents including the Committee's charter, member list, agendas, minutes, and reports are available on NTIA's website at <http://www.ntia.gov/category/csmac>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Patent and Trademark Office

[Docket No.: PTO-P-2023-0041]

#### Semiconductor Technology Pilot Program

**AGENCY:** United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is implementing the Semiconductor Technology Pilot Program, which is designed to accelerate improvements in the semiconductor industry by expediting examination of patent applications for certain semiconductor manufacturing innovations. The pilot program is intended to encourage research, development, and innovation in the semiconductor manufacturing space and provide equitable intellectual property protection to incentivize investments in the semiconductor manufacturing area. Expediting

examination of patent applications directed to semiconductor manufacturing under this pilot program encourages innovations that increase semiconductor device production, reduce semiconductor manufacturing costs, and strengthen the semiconductor supply chain. Applications accepted into the pilot program will be advanced out of turn (accorded special status) for examination until a first Office action is issued. This notice outlines the conditions, requirements, and guidelines of the pilot program.

**DATES: Pilot Duration:** The Semiconductor Technology Pilot Program will accept petitions to make special beginning December 1, 2023 until either December 2, 2024 or the date the USPTO accepts a total of 1,000 grantable petitions, whichever occurs first. The USPTO may, at its sole discretion, terminate the pilot program depending on factors such as workload and resources needed to administer the program, feedback from the public, and the effectiveness of the program. If the pilot program is terminated, the USPTO will notify the public. The USPTO will indicate on its website at [www.uspto.gov/SemiconductorTechnology](http://www.uspto.gov/SemiconductorTechnology) the total number of petitions filed and the number of applications accepted into the pilot program.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general questions regarding this pilot program, please contact Steven J. Fulk, Legal Advisor, at 571-270-0072 or [Steven.Fulk@uspto.gov](mailto:Steven.Fulk@uspto.gov); Nalini Mummalaneni, Senior Legal Advisor, at 571-270-1647 or [Nalini.Mummalaneni@uspto.gov](mailto:Nalini.Mummalaneni@uspto.gov); or Susy Tsang-Foster, Senior Legal Advisor, at 571-272-7711 or [Susy.Tsang-Foster@uspto.gov](mailto:Susy.Tsang-Foster@uspto.gov), all from the Office of Patent Legal Administration, Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy. For questions relating to a particular petition, please contact Bumsuk Won, Management Quality Assurance Specialist, at 571-272-2713 or [Bumsuk.Won@uspto.gov](mailto:Bumsuk.Won@uspto.gov); or William Kraig, Supervisory Patent Examiner, at 571-272-8660 or [William.Kraig@uspto.gov](mailto:William.Kraig@uspto.gov), both of Technology Center 2800. For questions on electronic filing, please contact the Patent Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (during its operating hours of 6 a.m. to midnight ET, Monday–Friday) or [ebc@uspto.gov](mailto:ebc@uspto.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** New patent applications are normally taken up for examination in the order of their U.S. filing date or national stage entry date. See sections 708 and 1893.03(b) of