

NMFS seeks to fill four commercial, four recreational, one environmental, and three academic sector vacancies for terms starting in 2025.

In filling vacancies, NMFS will seek to maintain the current representation from each of the sectors. NMFS also considers species expertise and representation from the fishing regions

(Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Southeast, Gulf of Mexico, and Caribbean) to ensure the diversity and balance of the HMS AP. table 1 includes the current representation on the HMS AP by sector, region, and species with terms that are expiring identified in the “Member Status” column. It is not meant to indicate that NMFS will only

consider persons who have expertise in the species or fishing regions that are listed. Rather, NMFS will aim toward having as diverse and balanced an AP as possible. The intent is to have a group that, as a whole, reflects an appropriate and equitable balance and mix of interests given the responsibilities of the HMS AP.

TABLE 1—CURRENT REPRESENTATION ON THE HMS AP BY SECTOR, REGION, AND SPECIES

Sector	Fishing region	Species	Date appointed	Date term expires	Member status
Academic	NE/Mid-Atlantic	Tuna/Shark	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.
Academic	SE/Gulf	Sharks	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.
Academic	Northeast	Tunas	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.
Academic	All	All HMS	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	Active.
Commercial	Gulf of Mexico	Tuna	1/1/2023	12/31/2025	Active.
Commercial	Southeast	Swordfish	1/1/2023	12/31/2025	Active.
Commercial	Mid-Atlantic/SE	Tuna	1/1/2023	12/31/2025	Active.
Commercial	Gulf of Mexico	Sharks	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	Active.
Commercial	Northeast	Tuna	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	Active.
Commercial	Gulf of Mexico	All HMS	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	Active.
Commercial	Northeast	Tuna	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	Active.
Commercial	Northeast	All HMS	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	Active.
Commercial	NE/SE/GOM	All HMS	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.
Commercial	Southeast	Sharks	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.
Commercial	Gulf of Mexico	All HMS	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.
Commercial	Northeast	Swordfish/Tuna	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.
Environmental	All	Tuna	1/1/2023	12/31/2025	Active.
Environmental	All	All HMS	1/1/2023	12/31/2025	Active.
Environmental	All	Shark	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	Active.
Environmental	Caribbean	All HMS	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.
Recreational	All	All HMS	1/1/2023	12/31/2025	Active.
Recreational	Northeast	Tuna	1/1/2023	12/31/2025	Active.
Recreational	All	All HMS	1/1/2023	12/31/2025	Active.
Recreational	Northeast	Tuna/Shark	1/1/2023	12/31/2025	Active.
Recreational	Gulf of Mexico	All HMS	1/1/2023	12/31/2025	Active.
Recreational	All	Billfish	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	Active.
Recreational	Mid-Atlantic	Shark	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	Active.
Recreational	Southeast/Mid Atlantic	Billfish	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	Active.
Recreational	NE/SE/GOM	All HMS	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.
Recreational	Northeast	Tuna/Shark	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.
Recreational	Mid-Atlantic	All HMS	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.
Recreational	Southeast	All HMS	1/1/2022	12/31/2024	Expiring.

Note: Terms that are expiring or associated with current members stepping down are marked as “Expiring”.

Five additional members on the HMS AP include one member representing each of the following Fishery Management Councils: New England Fishery Management Council, the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, and the Caribbean Fishery Management Council. The HMS AP also includes 22 ex-officio participants: 20 representatives of the coastal states and 2 representatives of the interstate commissions (the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission).

NMFS will provide the necessary administrative support, including technical assistance, for the HMS AP. However, NMFS will not compensate participants with monetary support of

any kind. Depending on availability of funds, members may be reimbursed for travel costs related to the HMS AP meetings.

Meeting Schedule

NMFS will hold meetings of the HMS AP as frequently as necessary and, at a minimum, twice each year. In recent years, NMFS held meetings once in the spring, and once in the fall. The meetings may be held in conjunction with public hearings.

Dated: November 12, 2024.

Karen H. Abrams,
Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XE467]

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council’s (Pacific Council) Ad Hoc Marine Planning Committee (MPC) will hold an online public meeting.

DATES: The online meeting will be held Thursday, December 5, 2024, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Pacific standard time or

until business for the day has been completed.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held online. Specific meeting information, including a proposed agenda and directions on how to attend the meeting and system requirements, will be provided in the meeting announcement on the Pacific Council's website (see www.pcouncil.org). You may send an email to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt (kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov) or contact him at (503) 820-2412 for technical assistance.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kerry Griffin, Staff Officer, Pacific Council; telephone: (503) 820-2409.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this online meeting is for the MPC to consider two draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statements (PEIS) anticipated for release in November. The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is developing a draft PEIS to analyze the potential impacts of, and mitigation measures for, floating offshore wind (OSW) energy development in the five leased areas off Humboldt and Morro Bays, CA. In addition, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is developing a draft PEIS to identify areas in Federal waters off Southern California that would be suitable for future aquaculture development, and to analyze potential impacts to the human environment that may occur should aquaculture projects be proposed in Aquaculture Opportunity Areas. The MPC may consider other OSW or aquaculture issues as appropriate.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt (kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov; (503) 820-2412) at least 10 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: November 14, 2024.

Rey Israel Marquez,

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

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

[CPSC Docket No. 25-C0001]

Proposed Settlement Agreement, Stipulation, Order and Judgement, etc.; Bestar, Inc.

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission publishes in the **Federal Register** any settlement that it provisionally accepts under the Consumer Product Safety Act. Published below is a provisionally accepted Settlement Agreement with Bestar, Inc., containing a civil penalty in the amount of \$16,025,000 subject to the terms and conditions of the Settlement Agreement. The Commission voted unanimously (5-0) to provisionally accept the proposed Settlement Agreement and Order pertaining to Bestar, Inc.

DATES: Any interested person may ask the Commission not to accept this agreement or otherwise comment on its contents by filing a written request with the Office of the Secretary by December 4, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to comment on this Settlement Agreement should send written comments to Comment 25-C0001, Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone: (240) 863-8938 (mobile), (301) 504-7479 (office); email: cpsc-os@cpsc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Serena Anand, Trial Attorney, Division of Enforcement and Litigation, Office of Compliance and Field Operations, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland 20814; sanand@cpsc.gov; 301-504-7498 (office).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The text of the Settlement Agreement and Order appear below.

Dated: November 14, 2024.

Elina Lingappa,
Paralegal Specialist.

United States of America

Consumer Product Safety Commission

In the Matter of: BESTAR, INC.
CPSC Docket No.: 25-C0001

Settlement Agreement

1. In accordance with the Consumer Product Safety Act, 15 U.S.C. 2051-2089 ("CPSA"), and 16 CFR 1118.20, Bestar, Inc. ("Bestar"), and the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission ("Commission" or "CPSC"), through its staff, hereby enter into this Settlement Agreement ("Agreement"). The Agreement and the incorporated attached Order resolve staff's charges set forth below.

The Parties

2. The Commission is an independent federal regulatory agency, established pursuant to, and responsible for, the enforcement of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2051-2089. By executing the Agreement, staff is acting on behalf of the Commission, pursuant to 16 CFR § 1118.20(b). The Commission issues the Order under the provisions of the CPSA.

3. Bestar is a corporation, organized and existing under the laws of the province of Québec, Canada, with its principal place of business in Lac-Mégantic, Québec, Canada. Bestar also maintains a manufacturing facility in Jamestown, NY and distribution center in Erie, PA.

Staff Charges

4. Between June 2014 and March 2022, Bestar manufactured and distributed in the United States approximately 129,000 wall beds (the "Subject Products").

5. The Subject Products are "consumer products" that were "manufactur[ed]" and "distribut[ed] in commerce," as those terms are defined or used in Sections 3(a)(5), (7), and (10) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2052(a)(5), (7), and (10). Bestar is a "manufacturer" and "distributor" of the Subject Products, as such terms are defined in Sections 3(a)(8) and (11) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2052(a)(8) and (11).

Violation of CPSA Section 19(a)(4)

6. The Subject Products contain a defect which could create a substantial product hazard or create an unreasonable risk of serious injury because the wall beds can detach from the wall and fall onto those nearby, posing a serious impact and crush hazard.