

(\$29.00) for registration of anglers, spear fishers and for-hire fishing vessels to register under the National Saltwater Angler Registry Program.

**DATES:** The registration fee will be required effective January 1, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Gordon C. Colvin, NMFS ST-12453, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gordon C. Colvin; (240) 357-4524; email: [Gordon.Colvin@noaa.gov](mailto:Gordon.Colvin@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The final rule implementing the National Saltwater Angler Registry Program, 50 CFR 600, subpart P, was published in the **Federal Register** on December 30, 2008. The final rule states that persons registering with NMFS must pay an annual fee effective January 1, 2011, and that NMFS will publish the annual schedule for such fees in the **Federal Register**. The current annual fee for registration was set at \$25.00, effective August 1, 2013. NMFS policy requires that fees be reviewed every two years and be revised to reflect changes in estimated costs for administration of the program that requires the fees.

NMFS has completed its biennial review and has determined that the annual registration fee for anglers, spear fishers and for-hire fishing vessels will be raised to twenty-nine dollars (\$29.00). All persons registering on or after January 1, 2016, will be required to pay that registration fee, unless they are exempt as indigenous people per the provisions of 50 CFR 600.1410(f).

Dated: December 11, 2015.

**Samuel D. Rauch III,**

*Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will hold a two-day meeting of its Standing and Special Reef Fish Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC).

**DATES:** The meeting will convene on Tuesday, January 5, and Wednesday, January 6, 2016; starting 9 a.m. on Tuesday and 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, and will adjourn approximately 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Hilton Westshore Tampa Airport Hotel, 2225 N. Lois Avenue, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 877-6688.

*Council address:* Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 N. Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steven Atran, Senior Fishery Biologist, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; email: [steven.atran@gulfcouncil.org](mailto:steven.atran@gulfcouncil.org); telephone: (813) 348-1630.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Agenda

The Chairman will start the meeting with introductions and adoption of agenda, and approval of minutes from the September 1-2, 2015 Standing and Special Reef Fish Scientific and Statistical (SSC) meeting; and selection of an SSC representative to attend the January 2016 Council meeting. The Committee will review the National Marine Fisheries Service's (NMFS) assessment prioritization process and will discuss the concept of best scientific information available. The Committee will receive an update on SEDAR 43 Gray Triggerfish Projections from the Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC) and will make recommendations for a new rebuilding plan including the selection of a projected recruitment scenario, time to rebuild in the absence of fishing, determination of a maximum probability of overfishing (P\*) when setting the allowable biological catch (ABC) and recommendations for the overfishing limit (OFL) and ABC. The Committee will discuss a constant catch vs. a constant fishing mortality rate (F) approach to setting catch limits with respect to stability of management; and will receive a projection from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Research Institute on constant catch overfishing limits (OFL) and acceptable biological catch (ABC) for west Florida shelf stock of hogfish. Next, the Committee will review the SEDAR 42 Red Grouper Benchmark Assessment. If the Committee accepts the assessment and sufficient information is available, the Committee will recommend overfishing limits (OFL) and acceptable biological catch (ABC) levels for constant F and constant catch for red grouper. The Committee will review an options paper

for a possible framework action to adjust the recreational red snapper annual catch target (ACT) buffer; receive a presentation from the NMFS Southeast Regional Office on their methods for setting season length, and review methods for assigning probability of exceeding the annual catch limit (ACL) at a given ACT buffer. The Committee will receive a presentation from the SEFSC on Integrated Ecosystem Assessment and Management Strategy Evaluation as it pertains to multi-species; and will review Draft Amendment 44 regarding the setting of minimum stock size thresholds (MSST) and maximum sustainable yield (MSY) proxies. The Committee will review proposed revisions to the SEDAR process. The Committee will also review the terms of reference and project schedule for SEDAR 49—Gulf of Mexico Data-limited Species, and select appointees for the data, assessment and review groups. Lastly, the Committee will review the SSC meeting schedule for 2016; and will discuss other business, if any.

— Meeting Adjourns —

The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version along with other meeting materials will be posted on the Council's file server. To access the file server, the URL is <https://public.gulfcouncil.org:5001/webman/index.cgi>, or go to the Council's Web site and click on the FTP link in the lower left of the Council Web site (<http://www.gulfcouncil.org>). The username and password are both "gulfguest". Click on the "Library Folder", then scroll down to "SSC meeting-2016-01".

The meeting will be webcast over the internet. A link to the webcast will be available on the Council's Web site, <http://www.gulfcouncil.org>.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the Scientific and Statistical 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. Actions of the Scientific and Statistical Committee will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda and any issues arising after publication of this notice 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 Council's intent to take action to address the emergency.

**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira at the Gulf Council Office (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Dated: December 15, 2015.

**Jeffrey N. Lonergan,**

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**Marine Mammals; File No. 16109**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; issuance of permit amendment.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that a major amendment to Permit No. 16109-02 has been issued to Versar, Inc. (formerly GeoMarine, Inc.) (Responsible Party: Susanne Bates), 700 International Parkway, Suite 104, Richardson, TX 75081.

**ADDRESSES:** The permit amendment and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 427-8401; fax (301) 713-0376.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rosa L. González or Carrie Hubbard, (301) 427-8401.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On February 11, 2014, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (79 FR 8159) that a request for an amendment Permit No. 16109-01 to conduct research on sea turtles and marine mammals had been submitted by the above-named applicant. The requested permit amendment has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*); the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216); the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*); and the regulations governing the

taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222-226).

The amended permit (No. 16109-02), issued December 2, 2015, authorizes the following changes to the permit: (1) Extended the action area north and south to include all U.S. waters from Maine to Florida; (2) added aerial surveys to the research methods; (3) added takes for Blainville's beaked whales (*Mesoplodon densirostris*), false killer whales (*Pseudorca crassidens*), hawksbill (*Eretmochelys imbricata*), loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*), Kemp's ridley (*Lepidochelys kempii*), and green sea turtles (*Chelonia mydas*); (4) increased the number of marine mammals and sea turtles that could be harassed; and (5) changed the frequency of vessel based surveys from once per season to twice a month, year-round. The permit expires May 15, 2017.

An environmental assessment (EA) analyzing the effects of the permitted activities on the human environment was prepared in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). Based on the analyses in the EA, NMFS determined that issuance of the permit would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment and that preparation of an environmental impact statement was not required. That determination is documented in a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), signed on December 1, 2015.

As required by the ESA, issuance of this permit was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: December 15, 2015.

**Julia Harrison,**

*Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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**COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED****Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletions**

**AGENCY:** Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

**ACTION:** Proposed additions to and deletions from the procurement list.

**SUMMARY:** The Committee is proposing to add products and services to the Procurement List that will be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and delete products and a service previously furnished by such agencies.

**DATES:** *Comments must be received on or before: 1/17/2016.*

**ADDRESSES:** Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, 1401 S. Clark Street, Suite 715, Arlington, Virginia, 22202-4149.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information or to submit comments contact Barry S. Lineback, Telephone: (703) 603-7740, Fax: (703) 603-0655, or email [CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov](mailto:CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 8503 (a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed actions.

**Additions**

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, the entities of the Federal Government identified in this notice will be required to procure the products and services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

The following products and services are proposed for addition to the Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

**Products:**

Product Name(s)—NSN(s): Pencil, Mechanical, Push Action; 7520-01-NIB-2331—Black, Fine Point (0.5 mm); 7520-01-NIB-2332—Black, Medium Point (0.7 mm).

Mandatory Source(s) of Supply: San Antonio Lighthouse for the Blind, San Antonio, TX.

Mandatory Purchase For: Total Government Requirement.

Contracting Activity: General Services Administration, New York, NY.

Distribution: A-List.

Product Name(s)—NSN(s): Kit, Pipefitter Tools—5180-00-596-1501.

Mandatory Source(s) of Supply: Industries for the Blind, Inc., West Allis, WI.

Mandatory Purchase For: 100% of requirement of the U.S. Army.

Contracting Activity: U.S. Army Tank and Automotive Command, Warren, MI.

Distribution: C-List.

**Services:**

Service Type: Call Center Service.