

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

An application for an EFP was submitted on April 15, 2005, by Dr. Pingguo He of the University of New Hampshire (UNH) for a Northeast Consortium funded project. The primary goal of this joint project with the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries is to test lower vertical profile flounder gillnets to reduce the catch of cod while retaining flounders, such as winter flounder, in inshore western GOM waters. Researchers anticipate that, if the experimental net is successful, data gathered during this study may be useful in the establishment of a Special Access Program for the use of B days-at-sea (DAS) in a future action.

The project, which is anticipated to be 11 months in duration and would be conducted between May 2005 and April 2006, would include flume tank trials and 20 days of at-sea trials. Two types of low profile gillnets, each 8 meshes deep with variations in flotation and hanging ratio, would be compared with three commercial cod and flounder gillnets, each 25 meshes deep. The participating vessel would fish the nets in fleets of 10 nets, two nets per type, alternately rigged so that two experimental nets can be compared with the three control nets. Forty nets would be fished per day and the nets would be soaked for 24 hours before hauling.

All specimens caught would be sampled and measured. All undersized fish would be returned to the sea as quickly as practical after measurement and examination. The researcher anticipates that a total of 13,409 lb (6,082 kg) of fish, including 4,918 lb (2,230 kg) of cod, 1,639 lb (743 kg) of flounders, 1,246 lb (565 kg) of monkfish, and 4,590 lb (2,082 kg) of dogfish, would be harvested and/or discarded throughout the course of the study. Other species that are anticipated to be caught are haddock, white hake, lobster, and skate. All legal-sized fish, within the possession limit, would be sold, with the proceeds returned to the project for the purpose of enhancing future research.

All at-sea research would be conducted from one fishing vessel fishing in an area west of west of 70°15' W. long. and between from 42°40' N. lat. and 43°10' N. lat., excluding the Western GOM Closure Area. Researchers have asked for an exemption to the regulations establishing the GOM Rolling Closure Areas III, IV, and V because they believe that an optimum mixture of flounders

and cod for testing the experimental gear will be present in the waters of the GOM. Therefore, because the aim of the project is to separate flounders and cod before the fish are brought onboard, an exemption from the GOM Rolling Closure Areas III, IV, and V is important to the success of the study. All research will be conducted using DAS.

The applicant may request minor modifications and extensions to the EFP throughout the year. EFP modifications and extensions may be granted without further notice if they are deemed essential to facilitate completion of the proposed research and have minimal impacts that do not change the scope or impact of the initially approved EFP request.

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

Dated: May 13, 2005.

**Alan D. Risenhoover,**

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

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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING****Sunshine Act Meetings**

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, June 10, 2005.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

**Jean A. Webb,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION****Sunshine Act Meetings**

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, June 3, 2005.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

**Jean A. Webb,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION****Sunshine Act Meetings**

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, June 17, 2005.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

**Jean A. Webb,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION****Sunshine Act Meetings**

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, June 24, 2005.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

**Jean A. Webb,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Office of the Secretary****Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for

Personnel and Readiness announces the following proposed new public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by July 18, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Policy Directorate, 241 S. 18th Street, Arlington, VA 22202; ATTN: Colonel Michael A. Pachuta, e-mail: [Michael.Pachuta@osd.mil](mailto:Michael.Pachuta@osd.mil) or James Ellis, e-mail: [james.ellis@osd.mil](mailto:james.ellis@osd.mil); telephone (703) 602-5001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address or call (703) 602-5001.

*Title and OMB Control Number:* Commercial Solicitation on DoD Installation: Overseas; OMB CONTROL NUMBER 0704-TBD.

*Needs and Uses:* No person has authority to enter upon a DoD installation to transact personal commercial solicitation as a matter of right without meeting specific requirements. This information collection is necessary to ensure established annual procedures for the DoD registration requirement for the sale of insurance and securities on U.S. military overseas installations are met. Insurers are required to submit a letter of application certifying that they meet registration criteria. The letter received from the applicants provides information relative to the areas they intend to do business in, attest to their company's ability to pay claims as well as their rating within the insurance industry for the preceding business year. It also attests to their compliance with Department policies and procedures.

*Affected Public:* Business or other-for-profit; Federal government.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 5.

*Number of Respondents:* 15.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden Pre Response:* 20 minutes.

*Frequency:* Annually.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Summary of Information Collection**

The purpose of this information collection is to assist the Secretary of Defense and Secretaries of the Military Departments in ensuring that established procedures are in place to protect our Service personnel from unscrupulous business people who would take advantage through the sale of insurance and financial products that may not meet their needs. On an annual basis, insurance companies will be required to complete a standard letter application, which is signed by the President, Vice President, or designated official of the insurance company, containing certifying statements that the company is in compliance with DoD criteria to register (or re-register) for solicitation privileges on overseas U.S. military installations. The registration application is forwarded to the Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness for approval to grant the insurance company solicitation privileges on overseas U.S. military installations.

Dated: May 11, 2005.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**

**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0070]

**Federal Acquisition Regulation; Information Collection; Payments**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal

Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning payments. The clearance currently expires on July 31, 2005.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before July 18, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (VIR), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0070, Payments, in all correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeremy Olson, Contract Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3221.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

Firms performing under Federal contracts must provide adequate documentation to support requests for payment under these contracts. The documentation may range from a simple invoice to detailed cost data. The information is usually submitted once, at the end of the contract period or upon delivery of the supplies, but could be submitted more often depending on the payment schedule established under the contract (see FAR 52.232-1 through 52.232-11). The information is used to determine the proper amount of payments to Federal contractors.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

*Respondents:* 80,000.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 120.

*Annual Responses:* 9,600,000.

*Hours Per Response:* .025.

*Total Burden Hours:* 240,000.

*Obtaining Copies of Proposals:*

Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from