## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**[I.D. 120105A]**

### Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold its Precious Corals Plan Team (PCPT) meeting in Honolulu, HI. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for agenda items).

**ADDRESSES:** The PCPT meeting will be held at the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council Office, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813.

**DATES:** The meeting of the PCPT will be held January 5, 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522–8220.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The PCPT will meet on January 5, 2006 to discuss the following agenda items:

**Thursday, January 5, 2006**

1. Introductions
2. Review of last plan team meeting and recommendations
3. Report on the Third International Deep Sea Coral Conference
4. New coral aging data
5. Update on black coral management
6. Black coral workshop
7. Update on State of Hawaii Black Coral Regulations
8. Report on upcoming *Carijoa* research

The order in which agenda items are addressed may change. Public comment periods will be provided throughout the agenda. The Plan Team will meet as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before the Plan Team for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Plan Team action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issue arising after publication of this document that requires 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 final action to address the emergency.

**Special Accommodations**

These meetings are physically 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.

Dated: December 1, 2005.

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### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Vessel Monitoring Systems; Additional Approved Mobile Transmitting Units for use in the South Atlantic Rock Shrimp Fishery

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

**ACTION:** Notice of vessel monitoring systems; additional approval.

**SUMMARY:** This document provides notice of vessel monitoring systems (VMS) approved by NOAA for use by vessels participating in the Rock Shrimp Fishery of the South Atlantic Region and sets forth relevant features of the VMS.

**ADDRESSES:** To obtain copies of the list of NOAA approved VMS mobile transmitting units and NOAA approved VMS communications service providers, or information regarding the status of VMS systems being evaluated by NOAA for approval, write to NOAA Fisheries Office for Law Enforcement (OLE), 8484 Georgia Avenue, Suite 415, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

To submit a completed and signed checklist, mail or fax it to NOAA Enforcement, 7600 Sand Point Way, Seattle, WA 98115, fax 206–526–6528. VMS provider addresses can be found in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice under the heading VMS Provider Addresses.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For current listing information Mark Oswell, Outreach Specialist, phone 301–427–2300, fax 301–427–2055. For questions regarding VMS installation, activation checklists, and status of evaluations, contact Jonathan Pinkerton, National VMS Program Manager, phone 301–427–2300; fax 301–427–2055. For questions regarding the checklist, contact Beverly Lambert, Southeast Divisional VMS Program Manager, NMFS Office for Law Enforcement, Southeast Division, phone 727–824–5344.

The public may acquire this notice, installation checklist, and relevant updates by calling 301–427–2300.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. VMS Mobile Transceiver Units**

BOATRACS - FMTC/G

The Boatracs satellite communications VMS transmitting unit that meets the minimum technical requirements for the Rock Shrimp Fishery is the FMTC/G. The address for the Boatracs distributor dealer contact is provided under the heading VMS Provider Addresses.

The FMTC/G is an integrated GPS two-way satellite communications system, consisting of two major hardware components, the Mobile Communication Transceiver (MCT) and the Enhanced Display Unit (EDU). The MCT contains the antenna and integrated GPS that communicates with the satellite and contains the operating circuitry and memory. The EDU is a shock and splash resistant display and keyboard unit consisting of, a liquid crystal display, keyboard, with adjustable contrast, brightness, and audible alerts. A backlight illuminates the display for night view. The EDU has message waiting, no signal, and audible message received indicators.

The MCT is 6.7 inches high, 11.4 inches wide and weighs 11 pounds (4.99 kg). The base of the unit is 6.595 inches in diameter. The MCT draws approximately 2.3 amps of current from the power supply while transmitting and 1.2 amps when the vessel is idle.

The EDU is a hardened and splash proof keyboard display unit with a 15-line X 40-character screen that allows for both text and graphics. It is 12.72 inches wide, 9.3 inches long, 2.21 inches in depth, and weighs 3 pounds (1.36 kg) and is holster mounted in the cabin.

**II. Satellite Communication Services**

The FMTC/G utilizes KU band geostationary satellite to provide two-way date services. The data satellite transmits and receives all two-way message traffic between the vessel and NMFS, Shore Office, Network Operations Center or third party. The satellite is located 22,300 miles over the equator at 103 W. Longitude (south of Florida).

Boatracs operates a redundant NOC. This facility is online 24 hours a day,