Ihracat Ithalat ve Pazarlama A.S. (collectively ''Kroman'').

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 26, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Irina Itkin or Alice Gibbons, AD/CVD Operations, Office 2, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20230; telephone (202) 482–0656 or (202) 482–0498, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department received a timely request from Kroman, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(c), for a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on rebar from Turkey. *See Antidumping Duty Order: Certain Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bars from Turkey*, 62 FR 18748 (April 17, 1997).

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(b), Kroman certified that it is both the exporter and producer of the subject merchandise, that it did not export subject merchandise to the United States during the period of the investigation (POI) (January 1, 1995, through December 31, 1995), and that it was not affiliated with any exporter or producer that exported the subject merchandise to the United States during the POI. Kroman also submitted documentation establishing the date on which its shipment of subject merchandise first entered for consumption, the volume shipped, and the date of its first sale to an unaffiliated customer in the United States.

Scope of the Order

The product covered by this order is all stock deformed steel concrete reinforcing bars sold in straight lengths and coils. This includes all hot–rolled deformed rebar rolled from billet steel, rail steel, axle steel, or low–alloy steel. It excludes (i) plain round rebar, (ii) rebar that a processor has further worked or fabricated, and (iii) all coated rebar. Deformed rebar is currently classifiable under subheadings 7213.10.000 and 7214.20.000 of the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States* (HTSUS). The HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes. The written description of the scope of this proceeding is dispositive.

Initiation of Review

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(d), we are initiating a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on rebar from Turkey produced and exported by Kroman. *See* the Memorandum from the Team to the File through Irene Darzenta Tzafolias, Acting Office Director, entitled ''Initiation of AD New Shipper Review: Certain Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bars from Turkey,'' dated May 22, 2006. Normally, we would issue the preliminary results of this review not later than 180 days after the date on which the review is initiated. However, on May 15, 2006, Kroman agreed to waive the time limits in order that the Department, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(j)(3), may conduct this review concurrently with the ninth administrative review of this order for the period April 1, 2005, through March 31, 2006, which will be conducted pursuant to section 751(a)(1) of the Act. Therefore, we intend to issue the final results of this review not later than 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(g)(1)(i)(A), the period of review (POR) for a new shipper review, initiated in the month immediately following the anniversary month, will be the 12–month period immediately preceding the anniversary month. Therefore, the POR for the new shipper review of Kroman is April 1, 2005, through March 31, 2006.

We will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to suspend liquidation of any unliquidated entries of the subject merchandise from Kroman and allow, at the option of the importer, the posting, until completion of the review, of a bond or security in lieu of a cash deposit for each entry of the merchandise exported by Kroman in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(e). Because Kroman certified that it both produced and exported the subject merchandise, the sale of which is the basis for this new shipper review request, we will permit the bonding privilege only for those entries of subject merchandise for which Kroman is both the producer and the exporter.

Interested parties may submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective order in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305 and 351.306.

This initiation and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(d).

Dated: May 22, 2006.

Stephen J. Claeys,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Jointly Owned Inventions Available for Non-Exclusive, Royalty-Free Licensing

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Jointly Owned Inventions Available for Non-Exclusive, Royalty-Free Licensing.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are jointly owned by the U.S. Government, as represented by the Department of Commerce, and the University of Colorado. The Department of Commerce's interest in the inventions is available for non-exclusive, royalty-free licensing, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 and 37 CFR part 404 to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally funded research and development.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Technical and licensing information on these inventions may be obtained by writing to: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Office of Technology Partnerships, Attn: Mary Clague, Building 820, Room 213, Gaithersburg, MD 20899. Information is also available via telephone: 301–975–4188, fax 301–869–2751, or e-mail: mary.clague@nist.gov. Any request for information should include the NIST Docket number or Patent number and title for the invention as indicated below.

The inventions available for licensing are:

[Patent Number 6,831,522 Issued: 12/14/2004]

Title: Method of Minimizing the Short-Term Frequency Instability of Laser-Pumped Atomic Clocks.

Abstract: A method is provided for optimizing the performance of laser-pumped atomic frequency references with respect to the laser detuning and other operating parameters. This method is based on the new understanding that the frequency references short-term instability is minimized when (a) the laser frequency is tuned nominally a few tens of MHz away from the center of the atomic absorption line, and (b) the external oscillator lock modulation frequency is set either far below or far above the inverse of the optical pumping time of the atoms.

[Patent Number: 6,806,784 Issued: 10/19/2004]

Title: Miniature Frequency Standard Based on All-Optical Excitation and a Micromachined Containment Vessel.

Abstract: A microwave frequency standard is provided which allows for miniaturization down to length scales of order one micron, comprising a modulated light field originating from a laser that illuminates a collection of quantum absorbers contained in a micro-machined cell. The frequency standard of the present invention can be based on all-optical excitation techniques such as coherent population trapping (CPT) and stimulated Raman scattering or on conventional microwave-excited designs. In a CPT-based embodiment, a photodetector detects a change in transmitted power through the cell and that is used to stabilize an external oscillator to correspond to the absorber's transition frequency by locking the laser modulation frequency to the transition frequency. In a stimulated Raman scattering (SRS) embodiment, a high-speed photodetector detects a laser field transmitted through the cell beating with a second field originating in the cell. Both the locked laser modulation frequency and the beat frequency are very stable as they are referenced directly to the atomic transition.

Dated: May 18, 2006.

Hratch G. Semerjian,

Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 051806C]

Endangered Species; Permit No. 1298

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permit modification.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Riverbanks Zoo and Garden [Principal Investigator, Mr. Charles Scott Pfaff], P.O. Box 1060, Columbia, SC 29202, has been issued an amendment to Permit No. 1298 to extend the expiration date of the permit through May 31, 2007.

ADDRESSES:

The modification and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office:

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 713–2289, fax (301) 427–2521.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Skidmore and Kate Swails (301) 713–2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 21, 2001, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 27940) that Permit No.1298 had been issued to the Riverbanks Zoo and Garden for the continued maintenance of eleven adult shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*) received from the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources in 1996 for education purposes. This permit amendment extends the duration of the permit from May 31, 2006, to May 31, 2007. The requested modification have been granted under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the provisions of § 222.306 of the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened fish and wildlife (50 CFR 222–226).

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

Dated: May 19, 2006.

P. Michael Payne,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 051906C]

Endangered Species; File No. 1579

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

ACTION: Notice; Receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Alden Research Laboratory, Inc. (Edward P. Taft, Responsible Party), 30 Shrewsbury Street, Holden, MA, 01520, has applied in due form for a permit to take shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*) for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or e-mail comments must be received on or before June 26, 2006.

The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713–2289; fax (301)427-2521; and

Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930–2298; phone (978)281–9328; fax (978)281–9394.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301)427–2521, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period.

Comments may also be submitted by email. The mailbox address for providing email comments is *NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov*. Include in the subject line of the email comment the following document identifier: File No. 1579.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kate Swails or Jennifer Skidmore (301)713–2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of 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 222-226).

The applicant proposes to conduct research on entrainment and impingement rates for selected bar rack and bypass configurations in attempt to identify design criteria for a downstream passage facility at the Hadley Falls Hydroelectric Project on the Connecticut River. The applicant would use captive-bred sturgeon and all testing would take place in the Alden Lab testing flume. Annually, up to 200 sturgeon would be transported from hatcheries, measured, handled, Passive Integrated Transponder tagged, and participate in the flume testing. At the end of the five-year study the sturgeon would be sacrificed.