

on the Grant Agreement and Letter of Conditions. Failure to submit satisfactory reports on time may result in suspension or termination of the grant.

1. Form SF-269 or SF-269A. A "Financial Status Report" listing expenditures according to agreed upon budget categories, on a semi-annual basis. Reporting periods end each March 31 and September 30. Reports are due 30 days after the reporting period ends.

2. Semi-annual performance reports that compare accomplishments to the objectives stated in the proposal. Identify all tasks completed to date and provide documentation supporting the reported results. If the original schedule provided in the work plan is not being met, the report should discuss the problems or delays that may affect completion of the project. Objectives for the next reporting period should be listed. Compliance with any special conditions on the use of award funds should be discussed. The report should also include a summary at the end of the report with the following elements to assist in documenting the annual performance goals of the RCDG program for Congress.

- Number of groups who are not legal entities assisted.
- Number of businesses that are not cooperatives assisted.
- Number of cooperatives assisted.
- Number of businesses incorporated that are not cooperatives.
- Number of cooperatives incorporated.
- Total number of jobs created as a result of assistance.
- Total number of jobs saved as a result of assistance.
- Number of jobs created for the Center as a result of RCDG funding.
- Number of jobs saved for the Center as a result of RCDG funding.

Reports are due as provided in paragraph 1 of this section. Supporting documentation must also be submitted for completed tasks. The supporting documentation for completed tasks includes, but is not limited to: feasibility studies, marketing plans, business plans, publication quality success stories, applied research reports, copies of surveys conducted, articles of incorporation and bylaws and an accounting of how outreach, training, and other funds were expended.

3. Final project performance reports. These reports shall include all of the requirements of the semi-annual performance reports and responses to the following:

i. What have been the most challenging or unexpected aspects of this program?

ii. What advice would the Grantee give to other organizations planning a similar program? These should include strengths and limitations of the program. If the Grantee had the opportunity, what would they have done differently?

iii. If an innovative approach was used successfully, the Grantee should describe their program in detail so that other organizations might consider replication in their areas.

The final performance report is due within 90 days of the completion of the project.

VII. Agency Contacts

For general questions about this announcement and for program technical assistance, applicants should contact their USDA Rural Development State Office at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/coops/rcdg/Contacts.htm>. The State Office can be reached by calling (202) 720-4323 and pressing "1". If an applicant is unable to contact their State Office, please contact a nearby State Office or the USDA Rural Development National Office at 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Mail Stop 3250, Rm. 4016-South, Washington, DC 20250-3250, telephone: (202) 720-7558, e-mail: cpgrants@wdc.usda.gov.

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Dated: April 11, 2007.

Jackie J. Gleason,

Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

The President's Export Council: Meeting of the President's Export Council

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of an open meeting via teleconference.

SUMMARY: The Manufacturing Council will hold a meeting via teleconference to deliberate a draft recommendation to the Secretary of Commerce regarding Alternative Energy.

DATES: May 4, 2007.

TIME: 12 p.m. (EDST).

FOR THE CONFERENCE CALL-IN NUMBER AND FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: The Manufacturing Council Executive Secretariat, Room 4043, Washington, DC, 20230 (Phone: 202-482-1124), or visit the Council's Web site at <http://www.manufacturing.gov/council>.

Dated: April 13, 2007.

Sam Giller,

Staff Director and Executive Secretary, The Manufacturing Council.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration, North American Free-Trade Agreement, Article 1904 NAFTA Panel Reviews; Completion of Panel Review

AGENCY: NAFTA Secretariat, United States Section, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Completion of Panel Review of the final determination of dumping made by the Canada Border Services Agency, in the matter of Certain Copper Pipe Fittings Originating in or Exported from the United States of America, Secretariat File No. CDA-USA-2007-1904-01.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Notice of Motion to Terminate this panel review, which was filed with the Canadian Section of the NAFTA Secretariat on April 10, 2007, this panel review is completed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Caratina L. Alston, United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat, Suite 2061, 14th and Constitution Avenue, Washington, DC 20230, (202) 482-5438.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 2, 2007, Mueller Industries, Inc.

(Memphis, Tennessee), Streamline Copper & Brass Ltd. (Strathroy, Ontario) and affiliated companies within the Mueller Group filed a Request for Panel Review in the above referenced matter with the Canadian Section of the NAFTA Secretariat.

On April 10, 2007, Mueller Industries, Inc. (Memphis, Tennessee), Streamline Copper & Brass Ltd. (Strathroy, Ontario) and affiliated companies within the Mueller Group filed a Notice of Motion requesting termination of this panel review. No other interested person filed a request for Panel Review of this final determination. As of April 10, 2007, no Complaint or Notice of Appearance has been filed by any interested person. Therefore, pursuant to subrules 71(2) and 78(a) of the NAFTA Article 1904 Panel Rules, this Notice of Completion of Panel Review was effective on April 10, 2007.

Dated: April 12, 2007.

Caratina L. Alston,

United States Secretary NAFTA Secretariat.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 041107B]

Endangered Species; File No. 1595

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Michael M. Hastings, University of Maine, 5717 Corbett Hall, Orono, Maine 04469, has been issued a permit to take shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*) for purposes of scientific research.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

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)281-9300; fax (978)281-9394.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brandy Hutnak or Malcolm Mohead, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 16, 2007, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 1706) that a request for a scientific research permit to take shortnose sturgeon had been submitted by the above-named individual. The requested permit has been issued 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 parts 222-226).

This permit authorizes Michael Hastings to annually capture, anesthetize, measure, weigh, sex (borescope), tissue sample, scan (for tags), Carlin tag, PIT tag, recover, and release up to 70 sub-adult and adult shortnose sturgeon annually. Additionally, up to 30 sub-adult and adult shortnose sturgeon, annually, would be fitted/implanted with an external/internal transmitter. This project also includes the annual lethal take of up to 50 shortnose sturgeon eggs. Up to 2 incidental mortalities of shortnose sturgeon each year is also being authorized. This research will help assess the distribution, abundance, and movements, as well as document spawning, of shortnose sturgeon in the Penobscot River System, Maine.

Issuance of this permit, 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 such endangered or threatened species, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: April 11, 2007.

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. 040607D]

Marine Mammals; File No. 555-1870

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that James T. Harvey, Ph.D., Moss Landing Marine Laboratories, 8272 Moss Landing Road, Moss Landing, CA has

been issued a permit to conduct scientific research on harbor seals (*Phoca vitulina richardsi*).

ADDRESSES: The permit 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;

Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0700; phone (206)526-6150; fax (206)526-6426;

Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668; phone (907)586-7221; fax (907)586-7249; and

Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213; phone (562)980-4001; fax (562)980-4018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Sloan or Jaclyn Daly, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 29, 2006, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (71 FR 78407) that a request for a scientific research permit to take harbor seals had been submitted by the above-named individual. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The permit authorizes researchers to examine the biology and ecology and monitor health and condition of coastal populations of harbor seals in California, Oregon, Washington, and southeast Alaska over a 5-year period. Up to 670 harbor seals may be captured annually throughout the action area. An additional 2,910 individuals may be taken annually by harassment incidental to captures, scat collection, exposure to playback of vocalizations, and experimental disturbance activities. Up to 2 seal mortalities per year are authorized.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), a final determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.