to develop recommendations for the September 2007 Council meeting.

DATES: The telephone conference will be held Thursday, September 6, 2007, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: A listening station will be available at the Pacific Fishery Management Council, Small Conference Room, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220–1384; telephone: (503) 820–2280.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220–1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Chuck Tracy, Salmon Management Staff Officer, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 820–2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the work session is to review information in the Council’s September meeting briefing book related to salmon management, and to develop comments and recommendations for consideration at the September Council meeting.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the SAS for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal SAS action during this meeting. SAS action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice 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 SAS’s intent to take final 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 Ms. Carolyn Porter at (503) 820–2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.


Tracey L. Thompson,
Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceonic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN: 0648–XC13

Pacific 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 Pacific Fishery Management Council’s (Council) Model Evaluation Workgroup (MEW) will hold a work session by telephone conference, which is open to the public, to develop recommendations for the September 2007 Council meeting.

DATES: The telephone conference will be held Tuesday, September 4, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: A listening station will be available at the Pacific Fishery Management Council, Small Conference Room, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220–1384; telephone: (503) 820–2280.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220–1384.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Public Safety Interoperable Communications (PSIC) Grant Program

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Commerce

ACTION: Amendment to Notice of Availability of Funds

SUMMARY: On July 23, 2007, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) published a Notice of Availability of Funds in the Federal Register, 72 Fed. Reg. 40120, for the Public Safety Interoperable Communications (PSIC) Grant Program. On August 3, 2007, the President signed into law the Improving Emergency Communications Act of 2007, Pub. L. No. 110-53, which amended Section 3006 of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 that authorized the PSIC Grant Program. This Notice provides amendments to PSIC Grant Program Notice of Availability of Funds.

DATES: This amendment to the Final Rule takes effect immediately. Each State and Territory continues to be required to submit its application and narrative no later than 11:59 p.m. on August 22, 2007. Each State and Territory, however, will now be required to submit its Statewide Communications Interoperability Plans and Investment Justification under the PSIC Grant Program no later than December 3, 2007.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura Pettus, Program Specialist, Public Safety Interoperable Communications, telephone: (202) 482–5802; fax: (202) 482–2156. Information about the PSIC can also be obtained electronically via the Internet at www.ntia.doc.gov/psic.

2. All Hazards Mitigation

a. Improve communications in areas at high risk for natural disasters
b. Continue to improve interoperability efforts in urban and metropolitan areas at high risk for threats of terrorism
c. Pre-position or secure interoperable communications in advance for immediate deployment in an emergency or major disaster

Funding Availability

Table 1 - PSIC State/Territory Allocation—Continued

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Pursuant to Section 2201 of Pub. L. No. 110-53, States and Territories will be required to establish and implement a strategic technology reserve (STR) to pre-position or secure interoperable communications in advance for immediate deployment in an emergency situation or major disaster. The PSIC Grant Program has apportioned a total of $75 million for STR Funding. Each State or Territory has been allocated a presumptive funding amount proportionate to its total allocation under the program.

To be considered for PSIC funding, the STR must be capable of re-establishing communications when existing critical infrastructure is damaged or destroyed in an emergency or major disaster. STR projects should include the following:

1. Appropriate current, widely-used equipment, such as Land Mobile Radio Systems, cellular telephones and satellite-enabled equipment (and related communications services), Cells-On-Wheels, Cells-On-Light Trucks, or other self-contained mobile cell sites that can be towed, backup batteries, generators, fuel, and computers;
2. (equipment on hand for the Governor of each State, key emergency response officials, and appropriate State or local personnel);
3. (contracts (including pre-negotiated contracts) for rapid delivery of the most current technology available from commercial sources; and
4. (arrangements for training to ensure the personnel are familiar with the operation of the equipment and devices to be delivered pursuant to such contracts).
amount to establish and implement a strategic technology reserve (STR) to pre-position or secure interoperable communications in advance for immediate deployment in an emergency situation or major disaster. If a State or Territory is not submitting a PSIC Investment for the STR, it must submit a detailed written explanation along with its Investment Justification that demonstrates that it has already implemented such a strategic technology reserve or that other funded project proposals represent a higher priority for public safety communications. Upon a finding by the Assistant Secretary that the State or Territory has met the demonstration requirement, it may use the presumptive funding amount for other approved PSIC projects.

Funding Priorities and Selection Factors

NTIA recognizes that many solutions exist to achieve interoperability, and the PSIC Grant Program will not dictate the technology or approach for public safety agencies. However, NTIA has identified that when selecting projects for PSIC funding, States and Territories must consider: (1) technology, including adoption of advanced technological solutions, improved spectrum efficiency, and cost-effective measures; and (2) solutions that support capabilities in response to all hazards approach regardless of their source or cause, including improving communications in areas at high risk for natural disasters and in urban and metropolitan areas at high risk for threats of terrorism, as well as repositioning or securing interoperable communications in advance for immediate deployment in an emergency or major disaster.

In addition, NTIA will review each Statewide Plan to ensure that States and Territories address the following PSIC requirements: how public safety agencies will plan and coordinate, acquire, deploy, and train on communications equipment, software, and systems that use - or enable interoperability with communications systems that use - in the reallocated public safety spectrum or otherwise improve or advance the interoperability with public safety communications systems that utilize other public safety spectrum bands; how a strategic technology reserve will be established and implemented to pre-position or secure interoperable communications in advance for immediate deployment in an emergency or major disaster; how local and tribal government entities’ interoperable communications needs have been included in the planning process and how their needs are being addressed, if applicable; and how authorized nongovernmental organizations’ interoperable communications needs have been included in the planning process and how their needs are being addressed, if applicable.

Cost Sharing Requirements

The PSIC Grant Program requires cost sharing. By statute, each public safety agency receiving PSIC funds is required to meet and document the 20 percent statutory match requirement for each project. The SAA is required to track and report the 20 percent match requirement for each individual project that receives PSIC funds for efforts other than planning and coordination and training which do not require any match. The match requirements can be met through cash or in-kind sources consistent with 15 C.F.R. §§ 24.3, 24.24. This documentation must demonstrate that match funds are from non-federal sources.

As provided in 48 U.S.C. § 1469a, the requirement for local matching funds under $200,000 (including in-kind contributions) is waived for the Territorial governments in Guam, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Applicants are exempt from the 20 percent match for all pre-award costs related to the Statewide Plans. Training activities can make up no more than 20 percent of a State’s or Territory’s total federal allocation for the PSIC Program.

Each STR project will be considered as an individual Investment and subject to the above cost sharing requirements.

All other substantive provisions of the PSIC Grant Program Notice of Availability of Funds remain unchanged. Additional information on these changes is available in Modification 1 of the Federal Funding Opportunity Notice under CFDA Number 11.555 available at http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=14878&mode=VIEW and in the Revised Grant Guidance available at www.ntia.doc.gov/.

Executive Order 12866

The amendment to this rule has been determined not to be Economically Significant under Executive Order 12866.

Executive Order 13132, Federalism

It has been determined that this notice does not contain policies with Federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

Administrative Procedure Act/ Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prior notice and opportunity for public comment are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for this rule concerning grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. § 553(a) (2)). Because notice and opportunity for comment are not required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. § 601 et seq.) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis has not been prepared.

Congressional Review of Agency Rulemaking

NTIA has not submitted this final rule to the Congress and the Government Accountability Office under the Congressional Review of Agency Rulemaking Act, 5 U.S.C. § 801 et seq. This amendment is not a “major rule” within the meaning of the Act.


Kathy Smith,
Chief Counsel, National Telecommunications and Information Administration.
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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

 Determination Under the Textile and Apparel Commercial Availability Provision of the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA-DR Agreement)

August 14, 2007.

AGENCY: The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Determination to add a product in unrestricted quantities to Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement.


SUMMARY: The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA) has determined that certain raschel knit open work crepe fabrics, as specified below, are not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the CAFTA-DR region. The product will be added to the list in Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement in unrestricted quantities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maria Dybczak, Office of Textiles and

Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement