groups and institutions, and adequacy of resources of the various historical programs and associated activities of the Department of Defense.

The committee is comprised of the historians from the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Offices of the Secretaries of the Army and Navy, and the Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In addition, the committee is authorized to establish subcommittees, and it has two subcommittees that currently deal with history-related issues involving the Department of the Army and the Department of the Navy.

Committee and subcommittee members appointed by the Secretary of Defense, who are not full-time Federal officers or employees, shall serve as Special Government Employees, and all members shall be appointed on an annual basis. With the exception of travel and per diem, the committee and subcommittee members will serve

without compensation.

The Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee shall meet at the call of the committee's Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the chairperson. The Designated Federal Officer shall be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, and shall be appointed in accordance with established DoD policies and procedures. The Designated Federal Officer or duly appointed Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend all committee meetings and subcommittee meetings.

The committee shall be authorized to establish subcommittees, as necessary and consistent with its mission, and these subcommittees or working groups shall operate under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Sunshine in the Government Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and other appropriate

Federal regulations.

Such subcommittees or workgroups shall not work independently of the chartered committee, and shall report all their recommendations and advice to the parent committee for full deliberation and discussion.

Subcommittees or workgroups have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered committee nor can they report directly to the Department of Defense or any Federal officers or employees who are not committee members.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee membership about the committee's mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee.

All written statements shall be submitted to the Designated Federal Officer for the Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration. Contact information for the Designated Federal Officer can be obtained from the GSA's FACA Database—https://www.fido.gov/facadatabase/public.asp.

The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150, will announce planned meetings of the Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee. The Designated Federal Officer, at that time, may provide additional guidance on the submission of written statements that are in response to the stated agenda for the planned meeting in question.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, DoD Committee Management Office, 703–601–2554, extension 128.

Dated: August 17, 2007.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 07–4145 Filed 8–21–07; 11:34 am] BILLING CODE 5001–06–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Record of Decision for Surveillance Towed Array Sensor System Low Frequency Active (SURTASS LFA) Sonar

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD. **ACTION:** Notice of decision and availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy (DON), after carefully weighing the operational, scientific, technical, and environmental implications of the alternatives considered, announces its decision to employ up to four SURTASS LFA sonar systems with certain geographical restrictions and monitoring mitigation designed to reduce potential adverse effects on the marine environment. This decision, which pertains to the employment of up to four SURTASS LFA sonar systems (as originally analyzed in the Final Overseas Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Impact Statement [FOEIS/EIS] for SURTASS LFA Sonar and augmented in the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact

Statement [SEIS]), implements the preferred alternative, Alternative 2, identified in the Final SEIS for SURTASS LFA sonar.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The full text of the Record of Decision (ROD) is available for public viewing at http://www.surtass-lfa-eis.com. Single copies of the ROD will be made available upon request by contacting the SURTASS LFA Sonar SEIS Team, 4100 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 730, Arlington, VA 22203, or e-mail: eisteam@mindspring.com.

Dated: August 17, 2007.

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Lieutenant, Office of the Judge Advocate General, U.S. Navy, Administrative Law Division, Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. E7–16653 Filed 8–22–07; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3810–FF–P

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Inventions; Available for Licensing

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and are available for domestic and foreign licensing by the Department of the Navy.

The following patents are available for licensing: Patent No. 7,102,665: VEHICLE UNDERBODY IMAGING SYSTEM//Patent No. 7,102,814: PERSONAL PORTABLE BLANKETS AS AN INFRARED SHIELDING DEVICE FOR FIELD ACTIVITIES//Patent No. 7,103,614: AUTOMATIC VEHICLE INFORMATION RETRIEVAL FOR USE AT ENTRY TO A SECURE SITE//Patent No. 7,113,447: LASER PUMPED COMPACT ACOUSTIC SENSOR SYSTEM//Patent No. 7,162,943: CAVITATING EXPLOSIVELY AUGMENTED WATER-JET MINE CUTTER SYSTEM//Patent No. 7,164,618: DUAL UNIT EIDETIC TOPOGRAPHER//Patent No. 7,164,787: ENHANCING TWO-DIMENSIONAL CONTRAST IMAGES RENDERED FROM THREE-DIMENSIONAL STREAK TUBE IMAGING LIDAR (STIL) DATA// Patent No. 7,164,788: ENHANCING TWO-DIMENSIONAL RANGE IMAGES RENDERED FROM THREE-DIMENSIONAL STREAK TUBE IMAGING LIDAR (STIL) DATA//Patent No. 7,203,339: ENHANCING TWO-DIMENSIONAL CONTRAST AND RANGE IMAGES RENDERED FROM