

**ADDRESSES:** Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax 703/358-2281.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Division of Management Authority, telephone 703/358-2104.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Endangered Species**

The public is invited to comment on the following applications for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of these complete applications should be submitted to the Director (address above).

*Applicant:* Molecular Anthropology Laboratory, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, PRT-185767.

The applicant requests a permit to acquire from Coriell Cell Repositories, Camden, NJ, in interstate commerce thirteen DNA samples from gorillas (*Gorilla gorilla*) and one DNA sample from red-capped mangabey (*Cercocebus torquatus*) for the purpose of scientific research.

*Applicant:* Byron G. Sadler, Lake Jackson, TX, PRT-187324.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

*Applicant:* Hollis B. Higginbotham, McMurray, PA, PRT-185730.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

**Endangered Marine Mammals**

The public is invited to comment on the following application for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered marine mammals and/or marine mammals. The application was

submitted to satisfy requirements of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing endangered species (50 CFR Part 17) and marine mammals (50 CFR Part 18). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of the complete applications or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be submitted to the Director (address above). Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

*Applicant:* ABR, Inc.-Environmental Research & Services, Fairbanks, AK, PRT-187053.

The applicant requests a permit to conduct on-shore, boat-based and aerial surveys of northern sea otters (*Enhydra lutris kenyoni*) at various locations in the coastal waters of Alaska for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Division of Management Authority is forwarding copies of the above applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Dated: June 27, 2008.

**Michael L. Carpenter,**

*Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.*

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**INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION**

[Investigation Nos. 701-TA-448 and 731-TA-1117 (Final)]

**Certain Off-the-Road Tires From China**

**AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Revised schedule for the subject investigations.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* July 17, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elizabeth Haines (202-205-3200), Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special

assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for these investigations may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://edis.usitc.gov>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Effective April 3, 2008, the Commission established a revised schedule for the conduct of the final phase of the subject investigations (73 FR 19249, April 9, 2008).

The Commission has decided to revise its schedule with respect to the date for its final release of information and the date for final party comments. The Commission will make its final release of information on August 7, 2008 and final party comments are due on August 11, 2008.

For further information concerning these investigations see the Commission's notice cited above and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A through E (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A and C (19 CFR part 207).

**Authority:** These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.21 of the Commission's rules.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: July 17, 2008.

**Marilyn R. Abbott,**

*Secretary to the Commission.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

**Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Safe Drinking Water Act**

Notice is hereby given that on July 16, 2008, a proposed Consent Decree (the "Decree") in *United States v. City of Middletown, New York*, Civil Action No. 08 Civ. 6369 (SCR) (LMS) was lodged with the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

In a complaint, filed simultaneously with the Decree, the United States charged that the City of Middletown (the "City") violated the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300f, *et seq.*, by violating the Interim Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule, found at 40 CFR part 141, subpart P; 40 CFR 141.170-141.175 ("IESWTR"), and specifically failing to comply with the February 28, 2006 deadline, set in an Administrative Order issued by EPA against the City on

March 31, 2004, to issue a notice to proceed in connection with the construction of a full scale water treatment plant to replace the existing, inadequate Monhagen Water Treatment Plant.

Pursuant to the Decree, the City shall construct a water treatment facility to filter the drinking water it draws from surface water sources. The Decree requires the City to complete construction of the facility by April 30, 2010, pursuant to a schedule of eight interim construction milestones.

The Decree further requires the City to implement a number of interim measures to protect the quality of its drinking water until the City has fully complied with the long term construction of the water treatment facility. For example, the Decree mandates ongoing monitoring of the water that the City obtains from surface water sources, as well as monthly reporting of the monitoring data to EPA, the State of New York and Orange County.

The City will pay a \$50,000 civil monetary penalty to the United States pursuant to the Decree. The City must also carry out an environmental project to conserve and improve the water quality in and around the City. Specifically, the City will implement an environmental project to collect the backwash water from the proposed water treatment plant for recycling to the head of the water treatment plant. The implementation of recycling will prevent the backwash from being discharged into the same surface water from which the City obtains its drinking water. The recycling project will also provide an alternative to discharging the filter backwash water into the City's sanitary sewer system as under the current system, with the anticipated result that approximately 62 million gallons of water per year will be conserved. The value of this supplemental environmental project is estimated at \$490,000.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and either e-mailed to [pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov](mailto:pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov) or mailed to P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611, and should refer to *United States v. City of Middletown, New York*, D.J. Ref. 90-5-1-09111.

The Decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, 86 Chambers Street, 3rd Floor, New York,

New York 10007, and at U.S. EPA Region 2, Office of Regional Counsel, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007-1866. During the public comment period, the Decree may also be examined on the following Department of Justice Web site, [http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/Consent\\_Decrees.html](http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/Consent_Decrees.html). A copy of the Decree may also be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611 or by faxing or e-mailing a request to Tonia Fleetwood ([tonia.fleetwood@usdoj.gov](mailto:tonia.fleetwood@usdoj.gov)), fax no. (202) 514-0097, phone confirmation number (202) 514-1547. In requesting a copy from the Consent Decree Library, please enclose a check in the amount of \$4.75 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the U.S. Treasury or, if by e-mail or fax, forward a check in that amount to the Consent Decree Library at the stated address.

**Maureen Katz,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### National Institute of Corrections

#### Solicitation for a Cooperative Agreement: To Develop a Series of Papers on Parole

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Corrections, Department of Justice.

**ACTION:** Solicitation for a Cooperative Agreement.

**SUMMARY:** The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) is soliciting proposals from organizations, groups or individuals who would like to enter into a cooperative agreement with NIC to develop a series of five papers related to parole with a primary audience of parole board members, parole staff, governors, appointing authorities, and related criminal justice agencies. The five papers will be developed over an eighteen month time. The initial paper will address core competencies for parole board members and executive parole staff in paroling authorities. Additional topics for this series will be determined by NIC and the vendor.

**Project Goal:** The overall goal of the initial paper is the development of a document on core competencies for parole board members and executive staff. This document will address the following:

Describe the competencies needed to be a parole board member, parole chair and executive parole staff;

Clarify how the competencies relate to the role of parole with other stakeholders within the criminal justice systems;

Describe the organizational structures within the parole office that support the development and operation of competencies;

Examine how competencies promote the use of EBP in parole and revocation decision making;

Illustrate how governors, appointing authorities, and parole boards can use the competencies to make selection and hiring decisions.

The core competencies must conform to the principles presented in the documents "Comprehensive Framework for Paroling Authorities in an Era of Evidence-Based Practices", the "Correctional Leadership Competencies for the 21st Century for Executives and Senior-Level Leaders", and the "Correctional Leadership Competencies for the 21st Century for Manager and Supervisor Levels". These documents can be found at the following links:

<http://nicic.org/Downloads/PDF/Library/022906.pdf> (NIC Accession no. 022906), <http://www.nicic.org/pubs/2005/020474.pdf> (NIC Accession no. 020474) and <http://nicic.org/Downloads/PDF/Library/020475.pdf> (NIC Accession no. 020475).

**DATES:** Applications must be received by 4 p.m. EDT on August 20, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Mailed applications must be sent to: Director, National Institute of Corrections, 320 First Street, NW., Room 5007, Washington, DC 20534.

Applicants are encouraged to use Federal Express, UPS, or similar service to ensure delivery by the due date.

Hand delivered applications should be brought to 500 First Street, NW., Washington, DC 20534. At the front desk, dial 7-3106, extension 0 for pickup.

Faxed applications will not be accepted. Electronic applications can be submitted via <http://www.grants.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** All technical or programmatic questions concerning this announcement should be directed to Carla Smalls, Correctional Program Specialist, National Institute of Corrections. She can be reached by e-mail at [cjsmall@bop.gov](mailto:cjsmall@bop.gov) or to George M. Keiser, Chief, Community Corrections Division, National Institute of Corrections. He can be reached by e-mail at [gkeiser@bop.gov](mailto:gkeiser@bop.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background:** Parole can be defined as both a procedure by which a board