activities to be be handled with due care to prevent injury to live specimens, observed for activity, and returned to the water. All Foundation-associated personnel who conduct onboard sampling activities have undergone formal sea turtle handling training through NMFS, and are considered NMFS-designated agents while conducting work under the identified Cooperative Agreements.

A final decision on issuance of the EFP will depend on a NMFS review of public comments received on the application, consultations with the affected states, the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic Fishery Management Councils, and the U.S. Coast Guard, and a determination that it is consistent with all applicable laws.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: February 1, 2010.

**Emily H. Menashes,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648–XT85**

### Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico

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

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of an application for an exempted fishing permit; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces the receipt of an application for an exempted fishing permit (EFP) from Mr. Thomas Haugen. If granted, the EFP would authorize the applicant, with certain conditions, to harvest legal-sized fish with unauthorized fishing gear under his commercial reef fish permit and individual fishing quota allocation for one year when testing his size-selective fishing gear called an excluding fishing device (EFD). This study is intended to provide detailed information and disposition of reef fish caught by Mr. Haugen's size-selective fishing device and its affect on minimizing bycatch.

**DATES:** Comments must be received no later than 5 p.m., eastern time, on March 8, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on the application by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: *Peter.Hood@noaa.gov.* Include in the subject line of the e-mail comment the following document identifier: "Haugen__EFP".
- Mail: Peter Hood, Southeast Regional Office, NMFS, 263 13th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701.
- Fax: 727–824–5308.

The application and related documents are available for review upon written request to any of the above addresses.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peter Hood, 727–824–5305; fax: 727–824–5308; e-mail: *Peter.Hood@noaa.gov.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The EFP is requested under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), and regulations at 50 CFR 600.745(b) concerning exempted fishing.

The proposed gear testing involves activities otherwise prohibited by regulations implementing the Fishery Management Plan for the Reef Fish Resources of the Gulf of Mexico. The applicant requires authorization to harvest fish with unauthorized fishing gear under his commercial reef fish permit and individual fishing quota (IFQ) allocation for one year while testing his EFD. Testing would occur in Federal waters off the west coast of Florida, in two geographical areas. The northern area is bounded by rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

| Point | North latitude | West longitude |
|---|---|---|
| A | 29°05'00" | 84°47'00" |
| B | 28°42'30" | 84°24'50" |
| C | 28°42'30" | 84°16'20" |
| D | 28°11'00" | 84°00'00" |
| E | 28°10'00" | 83°45'00" |
| F | 28°10'00" | 83°14'00" |
| G | 29°37'00" | 84°00'00" |
| H | 29°35'00" | 84°38'00" |

The southern area is bounded by rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

| Point | North latitude | West longitude |
|---|---|---|
| A | 26°26'00" | 82°59'00" |
| B | 26°26'00" | 82°29'00" |
| C | 25°15'00" | 82°02'00" |
| D | 24°48'00" | 82°06'00" |
| E | 24°45'00" | 82°42'00" |
| F | 24°48'00" | 82°48'00" |
| G | 25°07'30" | 82°34'00" |
| H | 26°26'00" | 82°59'00" |

The gear proposed to be tested is similar to a fish trap but has an adjustable entrance and exit. It would be tested under an experimental design developed with input from NMFS' Southeast Fisheries Science Center. The gear initially would be fished in conjunction with traditional fish traps to determine the size selectivity and bycatch reduction offered by EFD. If shown effective, the EFDs would be used exclusively for the remainder of the year to test what affect further modifications to the gear would have on catch.

Bycatch and regulatory discards are persistent problems in the Gulf of Mexico reef fish fishery. This is particularly important for grouper caught by the commercial sector as stated by the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council in their Amendment 32 to the Fishery Management Plan for the Reef Fish Resources of the Gulf of Mexico. Even though grouper are managed under an IFQ program, potential reductions in the gag allowable biological catch could impinge upon the harvest of red grouper due to gag bycatch. Providing fishermen with a method to target one species over another would allow them to maximize their economic return from fishing while reducing bycatch and regulatory discards.

NMFS finds this application warrants further consideration. Conditions the agency will impose on this permit, if it is indeed granted, include but are not limited to, a prohibition of conducting research within marine protected areas, marine sanctuaries, or special management zones without additional authorization. Additionally, NMFS requires any sea turtles taken incidentally during the course of fishing or scientific research activities to be handled with due care to prevent injury to live specimens, observed for activity, and returned to the water.

A final decision on issuance of the EFP will depend on a NMFS review of public comments received on the

application, consultations with the affected states, the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, and the U.S. Coast Guard, and a determination that it is consistent with all applicable laws.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: February 1, 2010.

**Emily H. Menashes,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Industry and Security

### Emerging Technology and Research Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Emerging Technology and Research Advisory Committee (ETRAC) will meet on February 18 and 19, 2010, 8:30 a.m., Room 3884, at the Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues, NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on emerging technology and research activities, including those related to deemed exports.

**Agenda**

*Thursday, February 18*

Open Session

1. Opening Remarks.
2. Is Deemed Export Regulation Broken?
3. Discussion with the Bureau of Industry and Security on Process.
4. Deemed Export Control Methodology.
5. Public Comments.

Closed Session

6. Discussion of matters determined to be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. app. 2 §§ 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3).

*Friday, February 19*

Open Session

1. NSC Interagency Policy Committee on Export Controls.
2. Corporate Views on BIS Deemed Export Controls.
3. Deemed Export Control Methodology.
4. Discussion of Next TASK.
5. Public Comments.

The open session will be accessible via teleconference to 20 participants on a first come, first serve basis. To join the conference, submit inquiries to Ms. Yvette Springer at *Yspringer@bis.doc.gov* no later than February 10, 2010.

A limited number of seats will be available for the public session. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate the distribution of public presentation materials to the Committee members, the Committee suggests that presenters forward the public presentation materials prior to the meeting to Ms. Springer via e-mail.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on January 26, 2010, pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. app. 2 (10)(d)), that the portion of the meeting dealing with matters the disclosure of portion of the meeting dealing with matters the disclosure of which would be likely to frustrate significantly implementation of an agency action as described in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. app. 2 10(a)1 and 10(a)(3). The remaining portions of the meeting will be open to the public.

For more information, call Yvette Springer at (202) 482–2813.

Dated: January 29, 2010.

**Yvette Springer,**

*Committee Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

**[A–570–890]**

### Wooden Bedroom Furniture From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Intent To Rescind Review in Part

**AGENCY:** Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** In response to requests from interested parties, the Department of Commerce (Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on wooden bedroom furniture (WBF) from the People's Republic of China (PRC). The period of review (POR) is January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008. This administrative review covers multiple exporters of the subject merchandise, two of which are being individually examined as mandatory respondents.

We have preliminarily determined that one of the mandatory respondents made sales in the United States at prices below normal value (NV), one mandatory respondent and two separate rate applicants did not demonstrate that they are entitled to a separate rate, and thus have been treated as part of the PRC-wide entity, and 12 separate rate applicants demonstrated that they are entitled to a separate rate and have been assigned the dumping margin calculated for the one fully participating mandatory respondent. If these preliminary results are adopted in our final results of review, we will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess antidumping duties on entries of subject merchandise during the POR for which the importer-specific assessment rates are above *de minimis.*

We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results. Parties who submit comments are requested to submit with each argument a statement of the issue and a brief summary of the argument. We intend to issue the final results of this review no later than 120 days from the date of publication of this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeff Pedersen or David Edmiston, AD/CVD Operations, Office 4, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–2769, and (202) 482–0989 respectively.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On January 4, 2005, the Department published in the **Federal Register** the antidumping duty order on WBF from the PRC. *See Notice of Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Antidumping Duty Order: Wooden Bedroom Furniture from the People's Republic of China,* 70 FR 329 (January 4, 2005) (*Order*). On January 5, 2009, the Department notified interested parties of their opportunity to request an administrative review of orders, finding, or suspended investigations with anniversaries in January 2009, including the antidumping duty order on WBF from the PRC. *See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review,* 74 FR 265 (January 5, 2009). In January 2009, the American Furniture Manufacturers Committee for Legal Trade and Vaughan-Bassett Furniture Company, Inc., (AFMC/Vaughan-Bassett) (petitioners), Kimball