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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Discontinuation of the Notice of Availability of Funding; Multi-Family Housing, Single Family Housing

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; discontinuance of annual publication.

SUMMARY: This Notice is to inform the public that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development's Rural Housing Service, hereinafter referred to as Housing and Community Facilities Programs (HCFP) is discontinuing its annual publication in the **Federal Register** the combined notice of funds availability (NOFA) for some of its existing and continuing Multi-Family and Single-Family Housing programs for which it receives annual appropriations. For Fiscal Year 2010 and thereafter, it will provide funding availability information to the public through its Web site, <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov>.

DATES: March 4, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information and application assistance contact Henry Searcy, Jr., Finance and Loan Analyst, Multi-Family Housing Programs, telephone 202-720-1753 and Myron Wooden, Loan Specialist, Single Family Housing Programs, telephone 202-720-4780 as well as the appropriate state office by visiting the Web site <http://offices.usda.gov>. Interested parties may also contact offices which can be found in local telephone directory blue pages under "Rural Development."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: HCFP provides homeownership opportunities to rural Americans, as well as programs for home renovation and repair. HCFP also makes financial assistance available to elderly, disabled, and low-income rural residents of multi-unit housing structures to ensure that they are able to make rental payments. Individual

NOFA's will continue to be published for some of its existing and continuing programs. It should be noted that NOFA's may be published for new or demonstration programs as needed.

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Dated: January 28, 2010

Tammye Treviño,

Administrator, Rural Housing Service.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Sunshine Act Notice

AGENCY: United States Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, March 12, 2010; 9:30 a.m. EST.

PLACE: 624 9th St., NW., Room 540, Washington, DC 20425.

Meeting Agenda

This meeting is open to the public, except where noted otherwise.

- I. Approval of Agenda
- II. State Advisory Committee Issues
 - Pennsylvania
 - Nevada SAC
 - Kansas SAC
 - Missouri SAC
 - District of Columbia SAC

III. Program Planning

- Approval of Briefing Report on Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- Discussion of Commission Meeting Schedule in April
- Discussion of Timelines for Consideration of Briefing Reports & Scheduling of Briefings
- Update on Status of the 2010 Enforcement Report and Related Hearing (Some of the discussion of this agenda item may be held in closed session.)
- Update on Status of Title IX Project (Some of the discussion of this agenda item may be held in closed session.)
- Update on Attack Against Asian-American Students at South Philadelphia High School

IV. Management and Operations

- Office of General Counsel Presentation Regarding Commissioner Terms

V. Staff Director's Report

VI. Adjourn

CONTACT PERSON FOR FURTHER

INFORMATION: Lenore Ostrowsky, Acting Chief, Public Affairs Unit (202) 376-8591. TDD: (202) 376-8116.

Persons with a disability requiring special services, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, should contact Pamela Dunston at least seven days prior to the meeting at 202-376-8105. TDD: (202) 376-8116.

Dated: March 2, 2010.

David Blackwood,

General Counsel.

[FR Doc. 2010-4732 Filed 3-2-10; 4:15 pm]

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

University of Pittsburgh, *et al.*; Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Electron Microscopes

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, as amended by Public Law 106-36; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. in Room 3720, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and

Constitution Avenue., NW. Washington, DC.

Docket Number: 09–069. Applicant: University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. Instrument: Electron Microscope.

Manufacturer: JEOL, Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: See notice at 75 FR 3895, January 25, 2010.

Docket Number: 09–070. Applicant: Haverford College, Haverford, PA 19041. Instrument: JEM–1400 Electron Microscope.

Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: See notice at 75 FR 3895, January 25, 2010.

Comments: None received. Decision: Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as these instruments are intended to be used, was being manufactured in the United States at the time the instruments were ordered. Reasons: Each foreign instrument is an electron microscope and is intended for research or scientific educational uses requiring an electron microscope. We know of no electron microscope, or any other instrument suited to these purposes, which was being manufactured in the United States at the time of order of each instrument.

Dated: February 26, 2010.

Christopher Cassel,

Director, Subsidies Enforcement Office, Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

University of Arkansas; Notice of Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

This is a decision pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651, as amended by Pub. L. 106–36; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. in Room 3720, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC.

Comments: None received. *Decision:* Approved. We know of no instruments of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instruments described below, for such purposes as this is intended to be used, that was being manufactured in the United States at the time of its order.

Docket Number: 09–068. Applicant: University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AK 72071. Instrument: Fluorescence Lifetime Imaging Microscope. *Manufacturer:* PicoQuant Photonics,

Germany. *Intended Use:* See notice at 75 FR 3895, January 25, 2010.

Reasons: The instrument must be able to perform using lasers with both continuous wave (CW) and pulsed mode. The use of picoseconds pulsed lasers is necessary to measure fluorescence lifetime. The use of CW lasers, so that the fluorophores will be continuously excited, is necessary to measure fluorescence intensity. The driver that controls the laser head provides user-selectable pulsed repetition rates. This instrument is unique in that it is capable of pulsed interleaved excitation (PIE)—Fluorescence Resonance Energy Transfer (FRET) and of allowing repetition rates to be continuously varied down to the 200 kHz range. Furthermore, the instrument is compatible with atomic force microscopy by using objective scanning mode rather than sample scanning mode so that the sample-scanning Atomic Force Microscope (AFM) can be added to the microscope in a future upgrade.

We know of no Fluorescence Lifetime Imaging Microscopes being manufactured in the United States at the time of order of this instrument.

Dated: February 26, 2010.

Christopher Cassel,

Director, Subsidies Enforcement Office, Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648–XU82

Endangered Species; File No. 14622

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Allen Foley, Ph.D., Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Fish and Wildlife Research Institute, 370 Zoo Parkway, Jacksonville, FL 32218, has applied in due form for a permit to take green (*Chelonia mydas*), hawksbill (*Eretmochelys imbricata*), Kemp's ridley (*Lepidochelys kempii*), and loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*) sea turtles for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or e-mail comments must be received on or before April 5, 2010.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review by selecting “Records Open for Public Comment” from the Features box on the Applications and Permits for Protected Species (APPS) home page, <https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov>, and then selecting File No. 14622 from the list of available applications. These documents are also 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)713–0376; and Southeast Region, NMFS, 263 13th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701; phone (727)824–5312; fax (727)824–5309.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301)713–0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period.

Comments may also be submitted by e-mail. The mailbox address for providing e-mail comments is NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. Include in the subject line of the e-mail comment the following document identifier: File No. 14622.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Amy Hapeman or Kate Swails, (301)713–2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested 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 222–226).

Dr. Foley requests a 5–year scientific research permit to: (1) monitor the abundance of loggerhead and green sea turtles; (2) characterize the aggregations of loggerhead, Kemp's ridley, and hawksbill sea turtles; and (3) determine the movements, behaviors, habitat-use, and reproductive status of loggerhead sea turtles. Research would occur in Florida Bay and the Everglades National Park. Researchers would approach up to 50 green sea turtles annually during