EFP and similar to the proposed Federal regulatory program.

Proposed Federal regulations for a maximized retention and monitoring program would also require first receivers to have onshore monitoring conducted by catch monitors. Catch monitors are third-party employees, paid for by industry, and trained to NMFS standards. The EFP would include provisions for third-party catch monitors from a NMFS specified provider. Like the proposed Federal regulatory program under development, catch monitors used under the EFPs would be trained in techniques that would be used for the verification of fish ticket data and in species identification. Catch monitor duties include overseeing the sorting, weighing, and recordkeeping process, as well as gathering information on incidentally caught salmon. Catch monitors verify the accuracy of electronic fish ticket data used to manage the Pacific whiting shoreside fishery such that inaccurate or delayed information does not result in any fishery specifications (bycatch limits, species allocations, OYs, and biological opinion thresholds) being exceeded. To insure the integrity of sector-specific bycatch limits, the 2010 EFPs would require full catch monitor coverage.

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

Dated: March 5, 2010.

Alan D. Risenhoover

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XU88

Marine Mammals; File No. 808-1735

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application for amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Andrew Read, Ph.D., Duke University Marine Laboratory, 135 Pivers Island Road, Beaufort, North Carolina 28516, has applied for an amendment to Scientific Research Permit No. 808–1735.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or e-mail comments must be received on or before April 12, 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. 808–1735 from the list of available applications.

These documents are also available 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

Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802–4213; phone (562) 980–4001; fax (562) 980–4018;

Written comments on this application should be submitted to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, at the address listed above. Comments may also be submitted by facsimile to (301) 713–0376, or by email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. Please include the File No. in the subject line of the e-mail comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division at the address listed above. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Hapeman or Kristy Beard, (301) 713–2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject amendment to Permit No. 808–1735 is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216).

Permit No. 808–1735, issued on June 27, 2007 (72 FR 36429), authorizes the permit holder to take humpback (Megaptera novaeangliae), blue (Balaenoptera musculus), fin (B. physalus), sei (B. borealis), and Antarctic minke (B. bonaerensis) whales in the Southern Ocean to examine their foraging behavior relative to krill patches. The permit authorizes the close approach of whales during vessel surveys for photo-identification, behavioral observation, tracking, and incidental harassment. A subset of whales may be suction-cup tagged

during surveys. The permit is valid through May 31, 2012. The permit holder is requesting the permit be amended to include authorization for the take of Arnoux's beaked whales (Berardius arnouxii) during vessel surveys in the Southern Ocean. Up to 200 whales would be closely approached annually for photoidentification, behavioral observation, and incidental harassment. Dr. Read is also requesting 10 takes for the suctioncup tagging of up 5 whales annually. The purpose of the research is to gain information on the distribution, biology, ecology, movement patterns, and behavior of these extremely rare marine mammals and generate a catalog of known individuals that can then be used for a mark-recapture experiment. The amendment would be valid for the life of the permit.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: March 4, 2010.

P. Michael Payne,

Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility to Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce

ACTION: Notice and Opportunity for Public Comment.

Pursuant to section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2341 et seq.), the **Economic Development Administration** (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance from the firms listed below. EDA has initiated separate investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each firm contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firm's workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT 2/26/2010 through 3/4/2010

Firm	Address	Date accepted for filing	Products
API Heat Transfer Inc. Buffalo.	2777 Walden Ave Ave Buffalo, NY 14225.	2/26/2010	The Company manufactures shell and tube, aluminum air cooled and plate and frame heat exchangers for industrial thermal transfer needs for a broad range of industries.
Harlon's LA Fish, LLC d/b/a LA Fish.	606 Short Street Kenner, LA 70062.	2/26/2010	Processor of frozen fish for human consumption
Silberline Manufacturing Co., Inc.	130 Lincoln Drive Tamaqua, PA 18252.	2/26/2010	Silberline manufactures special effect and performance pigments.
Fluorolite Plastics, Inc.	2 Central Street Framingham, MA 01701.	3/1/2010	Fluorolite specializes in replacement fluorescent diffusers. Fluorolite Manufactures acrylic ceiling panels, prismatic sheet, diffuser profiles, fluorescent light shields, enclosed gasket fixtures, Lexalite, American Louver products, and outdoor polycarbonate lenses.
Fresh Air Manufac- turing Compnay d/ b/a FAMCO.	649 N Ralstin Street Meridian, ID 83642.	3/1/2010	
Greene Plastics Company.	PO Box 178 Canonchet Hope Valley, RI 02832.	3/2/2010	Plastic beads and imitation gemstones are manufactured by injection molding using plastic, polystyrene and acrylic.
Petoskey Plastics, Incorporated.	One Petoskey Street Petoskey, MI 49770.	3/2/2010	The firm manufacturers polyethylene blown film products.
Arthur A. Oliver & Son, Inc.	PO Box 88, 2406 English High Point, NC 27261.	3/3/2010	The firm produces upholstery supplies including cardboard, fiber batting, and webbing products. Primary materials include paper, and polyester fiber.
Heritage Sign & Display, Inc.	344 Industrial Road Nesquehoning, PA 18240.	3/3/2010	Heritage is a custom manufacturer of point of purchase signs and displays. Our products include lighted signs, wood displays, acrylic displays and a host of others.
Kasten Clay Prod- ucts, Inc.	713 Kasten Drive Jackson, MO 53755.	3/3/2010	The firm manufacturers and produces clay bricks.
Precision Tool, Die & Machine Co. Inc. d/b/a nth works.	6901 Preston High- way Louisville, KY 40219.	3/3/2010	The firm produces steel parts that are put through stamping, welding, & graining processes. Primary materials include steel.

Any party having a substantial interest in these proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A written request for a hearing must be submitted to the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms Division, Room 7106, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than ten (10) calendar days following publication of this notice.

Please follow the procedures set forth in Section 315.9 of EDA's final rule (71 FR 56704) for procedures for requesting a public hearing. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official program number and title of the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance.

Dated: March 5, 2010.

Bryan Borlik,

Program Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-201-837]

Certain Magnesia Carbon Bricks from Mexico: Notice of Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Postponement of Final Determination

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration. Department of Commerce. **SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (the Department) preliminarily determines that certain magnesia carbon bricks (bricks) from Mexico are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV), as provided in section 733(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). The estimated margins of sales at LTFV are listed in the "Suspension of Liquidation" section of this notice. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. Pursuant to a request from the respondent, we are postponing for 60 days the final determination and extending provisional measures from a

four-month period to not more than six months. Accordingly, we will make our final determination not later than 135 days after publication of the preliminary determination.

DATES: Effective Date: March 11, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Goldberger or Terre Keaton Stefanova, AD/CVD Operations, Office 2, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482–4136 and (202) 482–1280, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On August 18, 2009, the Department initiated the antidumping duty investigation of BRICKS from Mexico. See Certain Magnesia Carbon Bricks from the People's Republic of China and Mexico: Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigations, 74 FR 42852 (August 25, 2009) (Initiation Notice). The petitioner in this investigation is Resco Products Inc.