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Dated: September 12, 2011.

Willie E. May,

Associate Director for Laboratory Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

[Docket No.: 110620345–1581–02]

Extension of the Due Date for Submitting Information on How to Structure Proposed New Program: Advanced Manufacturing Technology Consortia (AMTech)

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Request for information.

SUMMARY: On July 22, 2011, NIST published a Request for Information in the **Federal Register** inviting interested parties to submit written comments on how to best structure a potential new public-private partnership program, the Advanced Manufacturing Technology Consortia (AMTech) Program, which was proposed in the NIST fiscal year (FY) 2012 budget. NIST is publishing this notice to extend the deadline for the submission of comments pertaining to the proposed AMTech Program until 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time, on Thursday, October 20, 2011. No other changes are being made to the originally published Request for Information.

DATES: Comments are due on or before 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time, on Thursday, October 20, 2011. Comments received between September 20, 2011 and the publication date of this notice are deemed to be timely.

ADDRESSES: Comments will be accepted by e-mail only. Comments must be sent to AMTechRFC@nist.gov with the subject line “AMTech Comments.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Barbara Lambis, 301–975–4447, barbara.lambis@nist.gov, or Michael D. Walsh, 301–975–5455, michael.walsh@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advanced Manufacturing Technology Consortia (AMTech) Program was proposed in the NIST FY 2012 budget (see <http://www.osec.doc.gov/bmi/>

budget/12CJ/2012 NIST & NTIS Cong Budget.pdf (pp. NIST–250 to NIST–254) for a copy of the AMTech Program budget justification). As envisioned, the AMTech Program would provide Federal financial assistance to leverage existing or newly created industry-led consortia to develop precompetitive enabling manufacturing technologies. These consortia would develop roadmaps of critical long-term industrial manufacturing research needs, and issue sub-awards to fund research by universities, government laboratories, and U.S. businesses. This initiative would support research and development (R&D) in advanced manufacturing, with the goal of strengthening long-term U.S. leadership in the development of critical technologies that lead to sustainable economic growth and job creation.

On July 22, 2011, NIST published a Request for Information in the **Federal Register** (76 FR 43983, <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-07-22/pdf/2011-18580.pdf>) inviting interested parties to provide written comments on how to best structure the proposed AMTech Program for which has not yet received FY 2012 appropriations. The due date for the submission of comments as set forth in the original Request for Information was 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time, on Tuesday, September 20, 2011. By way of this notice, NIST is extending the due date for the submission of comments until 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time, on Thursday, October 20, 2011, in order to provide interested parties additional time to submit their comments pertaining to the proposed AMTech Program. Comments received between 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time, on Tuesday, September 20, 2011, and the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** are deemed to be timely. No other changes are being made to the originally published Request for Information.

Dated: September 20, 2011.

Phillip Singerman,

Associate Director for Innovation and Industry Services, National Institute of Standards and Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Pacific Islands Logbook Family of Forms

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before November 22, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Walter Ikehara, (808) 944–2275 or Walter.Ikehara@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This request is for extension of a currently approved information collection.

Fishermen in federally-managed fisheries in the western Pacific region are required to provide certain information about their fishing activities, catch, and interactions with protected species by submitting reports to National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), per 50 CFR part 665. These data are needed to determine the condition of the stocks and whether the current management measures are having the intended effects, to evaluate the benefits and costs of changes in management measures, and to monitor and respond to accidental takes of endangered and threatened species, including seabirds, sea turtles, and marine mammals.

II. Method of Collection

Respondents have a choice of either electronic or paper forms. Methods of submittal include e-mail of electronic

forms, and mail and facsimile transmission of paper forms.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648–0214.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission (extension of a currently approved collection).

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations; individuals, or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 345.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 6,231.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$5,048 in recordkeeping/reporting costs.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 19, 2011.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

Title: Representative and Address Provisions.

Form Number(s): PTO/SB/80/81/81A/81B/81C/83/84, PTO/SB/122/123/123A/123B/124/125, and PTO–2248.

Agency Approval Number: 0651–0035.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 33,867 hours annually.

Number of Respondents: 592,315 responses per year.

Avg. Hours Per Response: The USPTO estimates that it will take the public approximately 3 minutes (0.05 hours) to 1.5 hours to submit the information in this collection, including the time to gather the necessary information, prepare the appropriate form or document, and submit the completed request to the USPTO.

Needs and Uses: Under 35 U.S.C. 2 and 37 CFR 1.31–1.36, the public uses this information collection to grant or revoke power of attorney, to withdraw as attorney or agent of record, to authorize a practitioner to act in a representative capacity, to change a correspondence address, to request a Customer Number, and to change the data associated with a Customer Number. The USPTO's Customer Number practice permits authorized individuals to change the correspondence address or representatives of record for a number of applications, patents, or reexamination proceedings with one change request instead of filing separate requests for each application, patent, or reexamination proceeding. The USPTO uses the information in this collection to determine who is authorized to take action in an application, patent, or reexamination proceeding and where to send correspondence regarding an application, patent, or reexamination proceeding.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; businesses or other for-profits; and not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Nicholas A. Fraser, e-mail:

Nicholas_A_Fraser@omb.eop.gov.

Once submitted, the request will be publicly available in electronic format through the Information Collection Review page at <http://www.reginfo.gov>.

Paper copies can be obtained by:

- E-mail:

InformationCollection@uspto.gov.

Include "0651–0035 copy request" in the subject line of the message.

- Mail: Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information

Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before October 24, 2011 to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB Desk Officer, via e-mail to Nicholas_A_Fraser@omb.eop.gov, or by fax to 202–395–5167, marked to the attention of Nicholas A. Fraser.

Dated: September 20, 2011.

Susan K. Fawcett,

Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

[Docket No. PTO–T–2011–0050]

Request for Comments on Establishment of a One-Year Retention Period for Trademark-Related Papers That Have Been Scanned Into the Trademark Initial Capture Registration System

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") is considering establishing a retention period of one year for trademark-related documents submitted on paper that are subsequently scanned into the Trademark Initial Capture Registration System ("TICRS"). TICRS is available to the public through the Trademark Document Retrieval ("TDR") database on the USPTO Web site. After the expiration of the one-year retention period, the USPTO would dispose of the paper documents unless, within sufficient time prior to disposal, the relevant trademark applicant or owner files a request to correct the electronic record in TICRS, and the request remains outstanding at the time disposal would otherwise have occurred. Specifically, the proposed one-year retention period begins on: September 26, 2011, for papers scanned into TICRS prior to September 26, 2011; or a paper's submission date, for papers scanned into TICRS on or after September 26, 2011. The proposal would reduce the costs currently associated with indefinitely warehousing paper documents, while permitting sufficient time for the review and rarely needed correction of the scanning of such paper documents.