

identify fractional interests that should be prioritized for purchase through the ILCP.

Information and statistics regarding the issue of land fractionation will be distributed to the federally recognized Indian tribes prior to the consultations. The information will also be made available to attendees on the day of the consultation.

To date, the Office of the Secretary held five tribal consultation meetings: Friday, July 15, 2011, in Billings, Montana; Thursday, August 18, 2011, in Minneapolis, Minnesota; Friday, September 16, 2011, in Seattle, Washington; Tuesday, September 27, 2011, in Albuquerque, New Mexico; and Thursday, September 29, 2011, in Phoenix, Arizona. These meetings were

announced in previous **Federal Register** notices. 76 FR 35009, 76 FR 41808.

**II. Meeting Details**

The Office of the Secretary will hold its last two tribal consultation meetings on the following schedule:

| Date                            | Time               | Location  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Thursday, October 6, 2011 ..... | 8 a.m.–4 p.m ..... | Best Western Saddleback Inn and Conference Center, 4300 South-west Third, Oklahoma City, OK 73108, (405) 947–7000.<br><a href="http://www.bestwestern.com/saddlebackinn">http://www.bestwestern.com/saddlebackinn</a> |
| October 26, 2011 .....          | 8 a.m.–4 p.m ..... | Best Western Ramkota Hotel and Conference Center, Rushmore Room, 2111 N LaCrosse Street, Rapid City, SD 57701, (605) 343–8550.<br><a href="http://rapidcity.bwramkota.com/">http://rapidcity.bwramkota.com/</a>       |

Written comments will be accepted through November 1, 2011, and may be sent to the official listed in the **ADDRESSES** section above.

Dated: September 27, 2011.

**David J. Hayes,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Interior.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement**

[Docket ID: BOEM–2011–0011; OMB Number 1010–0151]

**Information Collection Activities; Plans and Information; Submitted for OMB Review; Comment Request**

**ACTION:** 30-day notice.

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we have submitted to OMB an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements in the regulations under Subpart B, Plans and Information, and related documents. This notice also provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of these regulatory requirements.

**DATES:** Submit written comments by October 31, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments by either fax (202) 395–5806 or e-mail (*OIRA\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov*) directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (1010–

0151). Please also submit a copy of your comments to BOEMRE by any of the means below.

- *Electronically:* go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the entry titled, “Enter Keyword or ID,” enter BOEM–2011–0011 then click search. Follow the instructions to submit public comments and view supporting and related materials available for this collection. BOEMRE will post all comments.

- E-mail [cheryl.blundon@boemre.gov](mailto:cheryl.blundon@boemre.gov). Mail or hand-carry comments to: Department of the Interior; Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement; Attention: Cheryl Blundon; 381 Elden Street, MS–4024; Herndon, Virginia 20170–4817. Please reference ICR 1010–0151 in your comment and include your name and return address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cheryl Blundon, Regulations and Standards Branch, (703) 787–1607. To see a copy of the entire ICR submitted to OMB, go to <http://www.reginfo.gov> (select Information Collection Review, Currently Under Review). You may also contact Cheryl Blundon to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the regulations and forms that require the subject collection of information.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* 30 CFR 250, Subpart B, Plans and Information.

*Forms:* BOEMRE forms 0137, 0138, 0139, 0141, and 0142.

*OMB Control Number:* 1010–0151.

*Abstract:* The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.* and 43 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to prescribe rules and regulations to administer leasing of mineral resources on the OCS. Such rules and regulations

will apply to all operations conducted under a lease, right-of-use and easement, or unit. Sections 11 and 25 of the amended OCS Lands Act require the holders of OCS oil and gas or sulphur leases to submit exploration plans (EPs) and development and production plans (DPPs) to the Secretary for approval prior to commencing these activities. As a Federal agency, we have a continuing affirmative duty to comply with the Endangered Species Act (ESA). This includes a substantive duty to carry out any agency action in a manner that is not likely to jeopardize protected species as well as a procedural duty to consult with the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries (NOAA Fisheries) before engaging in a discretionary action that may affect a protected species.

The Independent Offices Appropriations Act (31 U.S.C. 9701), the Omnibus Appropriations Bill (Pub. L. 104–133, 110 Stat. 1321, April 26, 1996), and OMB Circular A–25, authorize Federal agencies to recover the full cost of services that confer special benefits. Several requests for approval required in subpart B are subject to cost recovery, and BOEMRE regulations specify service fees for these requests.

Regulations implementing these responsibilities are under 30 CFR part 250, subpart B. Responses are mandatory. No questions of a sensitive nature are asked. BOEMRE will protect information considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552), under regulations at 30 CFR 250.197, “Data and information to be made available to the public or for limited inspection,” and 30 CFR part

252, "Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Oil and Gas Information Program."

BOEMRE and other Federal agencies (e.g., FWS, NOAA Fisheries, etc.) analyze and evaluate the information and data collected under subpart B to ensure that planned operations are safe; will not adversely affect the marine, coastal, or human environment; and will conserve the resources of the OCS. We use the information to: (a) Make an informed decision on whether to approve the proposed exploration or development and production plans as submitted, or whether modifications are necessary without the analysis and evaluation of the required information. The affected States also review the information collected to determine consistency with approved Coastal Zone Management (CZM) plans, and (b) report annually to NOAA Fisheries the effectiveness of mitigation, any adverse effects of the proposed action, and any incidental take, in accordance with 50 CFR 402.14(i)(3).

Respondents are required to submit several BOEMRE forms: 0137 (Plan Information Form) is submitted to

summarize plan information and we use the information to assist in data entry and review of submitted OCS plans; 0138 (GOM Air Emission Calculations for Exploration Plans), and, 0139 (GOM Air Emission Calculations for Development Operations Coordination Documents (DOCs)) are submitted to standardize the way potential air emissions are estimated and approved as part of the OCS plan. BOEMRE uses the data from these forms to determine the effect of air emissions on the environment; 0141 (ROV Survey Report) is submitted to report the observations and information recorded from two sets of ROV monitoring surveys to identify high-density benthic communities that may occur on the seafloor in deep water; and 0142 (Environmental Impact Analysis Worksheet) is submitted to identify the environmental impact-producing factors (IPFs) for the listed environmental resources. We use the information to help assess impacts and determine compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

Also, per Secretarial Orders 3299 and 3022, on October 1, 2011, the oil, gas,

and renewable energy-related management functions of BOEMRE will be transferred to a new bureau, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM). Therefore, after October 1, the forms associated with this collection will be designated as BOEM forms; e.g., BOEMRE Form 0137 will be designated as BOEM-0137.

*Frequency:* On occasion, semi-monthly, and varies by section.

*Description of Respondents:* Potential respondents comprise Federal oil, gas, or sulphur lessees and/or operators.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* The estimated annual hour burden for this information collection is a total of 190,480 hours. The following chart details the individual components and estimated hour burdens. In calculating the burdens, we assumed that respondents perform certain requirements in the normal course of their activities. We consider these to be usual and customary and took that into account in estimating the burden.

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| Citation<br>30 CFR 250<br>Subpart B<br>and NTLs                                    | Reporting & Recordkeeping<br>Requirement   | Hour<br>Burden                                      | Average<br>No. of<br>Annual<br>Responses<br>Annual | Burden<br>Hours               |
|--|--|---|--|-------------------------------|
|  |  | Non-Hour Costs                                      |  |                               |
| 200 thru 206   | General requirements for plans and information.  | Burden included with specific requirements below.   |  | 0                             |
| 201 thru 206;<br>211 thru 228;<br>241 thru 262;                                    | BOEMRE posts on FDMS, EPs/DPPs/DOCs, and receives public comments in preparation of EAs.   | Not considered IC as defined in 5 CFR 1320.3(h)(4). |  | 0                             |
| <b>Ancillary Activities</b>  |  |   |  |                               |
| 208<br>NTL   | Notify BOEMRE in writing and other users of the OCS before conducting ancillary activities.  | 11  | 25 notices   | 275                           |
| 210(a)   | Submit report summarizing & analyzing data/ information obtained or derived from ancillary activities.   | 2   | 25 reports   | 50                            |
| 210(b)   | Retain ancillary activities data/information; upon request, submit to BOEMRE.  | 2   | 25 records   | 50                            |
|  |  | 2.5   | 1 submittal  | 3<br>(rounded)                |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  |  | <b>76</b>   | <b>responses</b>                                   | <b>378</b><br><b>hours</b>    |
| <b>Contents of Exploration Plans (EP)</b>  |  |   |  |                               |
| 209; 231(b);<br>232(d); 234; 235;<br>281(d)(3); 283;<br>284; 285; NTL<br>2010 N-06 | Submit amended, modified, revised, or supplemental EP, or resubmit disapproved EP; withdraw your EP.   | 150   | 276<br>changed<br>plans                            | 41,400                        |
| 209; 211 thru<br>228; NTL<br>2010 N-06   | Submit EP and all required information (including, but not limited to, submissions required by BOEMRE forms 0137, 0138, 0142 used in GOMR; withdrawals; lease stipulations; reports; H2S; G&G; etc. ) and provide notifications. | 600   | 70 plans   | 42,000                        |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  |  | <b>346</b>  | <b>responses</b>                                   | <b>83,400</b><br><b>hours</b> |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  |  | <b>\$774,450 Non-Hour Costs</b>                     |  |                               |
| <b>Review and Decision Process for the EP</b>                                      |  |   |  |                               |
| 235(b);<br>272(b);<br>281(d)(3)(ii)  | Appeal State's objection.  | Burden exempt as defined in 5 CFR 1320.4(a)(2), (c) |  | 0                             |

| <b>Contents of Development and Production Plans (DPP) and Development Operations Coordination Documents (DOCD)</b> |   |  |                                 |                     |
|--|---|--|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 266(b); 267(d); 272(a); 273; 281(d); 283(a-b); 284(b); 285(a-b); 209; NTL 2010 N-06                                | Submit amended, modified, revised, or supplemental DPP or DOCD, or resubmit disapproved DPP or DOCD.  | 235  | 214 changed plans               | 50,290              |
| 241 thru 262; 209; NTL 2010 N-06, and others   | Submit DPP/DOCD and accompanying/supporting information (including, but not limited to, submissions required by BOEMRE Forms 0137, 0139, 0142 used in GOMR; lease stipulations; withdrawals, etc); provide notifications. | 700  | 40 plans                        | 28,000              |
|  |   | \$3,971 x 158* DPP/DOCD wells = \$627,418.   |                                 |                     |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  |   |  | <b>254 responses</b>            | <b>78,290 hours</b> |
|  |   |  | <b>\$627,418 non-hour costs</b> |                     |
| <b>Review and Decision Process for the DPP or DOCD</b>   |   |  |                                 |                     |
| 267(a)   | Once BOEMRE deemed DPP/DOCD submitted; Governor of each affected State, local government official; etc., submit comments/recommendations.   | 1  | 1 submittal                     | 1                   |
| 267(b)   | General public comments/recommendations submitted to BOEMRE re DPPs or DOCDs.   | Not considered IC as defined in 5 CFR 1320.3(h)(4).  |                                 | 0                   |
| 269(b)   | Submit information on preliminary plans for leases or units in vicinity of proposed development and production activities.  | 3  | 1 response                      | 3                   |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  |   |  | <b>2 responses</b>              | <b>4 hours</b>      |
| <b>Post-Approval Requirements for the EP, DPP, and DOCD</b>  |   |  |                                 |                     |
| 280  | Request departure from your approved EP, DPP, or DOCD.  | Burden covered under 1010-0114.  |                                 | 0                   |
| 281(a)   | Submit various applications.  | Burdens included under appropriate subpart or form (1010-0050; 1010-0059; 1010-0141; 1010-0149). |                                 | 0                   |
| 282  | Retain monitoring data/information; upon request, make available to BOEMRE.   | 4  | 300 records                     | 1,200               |
|  | Submit monitoring plan for approval   | 2  | 12 plans                        | 24                  |
| 282(b)   | Submit monitoring reports and data (including BOEMRE Form 0141 used in GOMR).   | 3  | 24 reports                      | 72                  |
| 284(a)   | Submit updated info on activities conducted under approved EP/DOCD.   | 4  | 56 updates                      | 224                 |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  |   |  | <b>392 responses</b>            | <b>1,520 hours</b>  |

| <b>Submit DWOPs and CIDs</b>   |  |  |                                   |                     |
|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 287 thru 289   | Submit a Conceptual Plan for approval.   | 200  | 8 plans                           | 1,600               |
| 291; 292   | Submit DWOP and accompanying/supporting information.   | 750  | 12 plans                          | 9,000               |
|  |  | \$3,336 x 12 = \$40,032  |                                   |                     |
| 294  | Submit a combined Conceptual Plan and DWOP for approval.   | 950  | 3 plans                           | 2,850               |
| 295  | Submit a revised Conceptual Plan or DWOP for approval.   | 100  | 35 plan revisions                 | 3,500               |
| 296(a); 297  | Submit CID and accompanying/supporting information.  | 375  | 13 documents                      | 4,875               |
|  |  | \$25,629 x 13 = \$333,177  |                                   |                     |
| 296(b); 297  | Submit a revised CID for approval.   | 100  | 3 revisions                       | 300                 |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  |  |  | <b>74 responses</b>               | <b>22,125 hours</b> |
|  |  |  | <b>\$373,209 non-hour costs</b>   |                     |
| <b>Seismic Survey Mitigation Measures and Protected Species Observer Program NTL</b> |  |  |                                   |                     |
| NTL;<br>211 thru 228;<br>241 thru 262  | Submit to BOEMRE observer training requirement materials and information.  | 1.5 hours  | 2 sets of material                | 3                   |
|  | Training certification and recordkeeping.  | 1 hour   | 1 new trainee                     | 1                   |
|  | During seismic acquisition operations, submit daily observer reports semi-monthly.   | 1.5 hours  | 344 reports                       | 516                 |
|  | If used, submit to BOEMRE information on any passive acoustic monitoring system prior to placing it in service.  | 2 hour   | 6 submittals                      | 12                  |
|  | During seismic acquisition operations, submit to BOEMRE marine mammal observation report(s) semi-monthly or within 14 hours if air gun operations were shut down.                      | 1.5 hours  | 1,976 reports                     | 2,964               |
|  | During seismic acquisition operations, when air guns are being discharged, submit daily observer reports semi-monthly.   | 1.5 hours  | 344 reports                       | 516                 |
|  | Observation Duty (3 observers fulfilling an 8 hour shift ea for 365 calendar days x 4 vessels = 35,040 man-hours). This requirement is contracted out; hence the non-hour cost burden. | 3 observers x 8 hrs x 365 days = 8,760 hours x 4 vessels observing = 35,040 man-hours x \$52/hr = \$1,822,080. |                                   |                     |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  |  |  | <b>2,673 responses</b>            | <b>4,012</b>        |
|  |  |  | <b>\$1,822,080 Non-Hour Costs</b> |                     |
| <b>Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Protected Species Reporting NTL</b>           |  |  |                                   |                     |
| NTL;<br>211 thru 228;<br>241 thru 262  | Notify BOEMRE within 24 hours of strike, when your vessel injures/kills a protected species (marine mammal/sea turtle)   | 1 hour   | 1 notice                          | 1                   |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  |  |  | <b>1 response</b>                 | <b>1 hour</b>       |

| <b>Marine Trash and Debris Awareness/Elimination NTL</b> |  |         |                                   |                      |
|--|--|---------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| NTL;<br>211 thru 228;<br>241 thru 262                    | Submit request for training video.   | 1 hour  | 100 requests                      | 100                  |
|  | Submit annual report to BOEMRE on training process and certification.  | 1 hour  | 200 records                       | 200                  |
|  | Training recordkeeping; make available upon request.   | 2 hours | 200 records                       | 400                  |
|  | Post placards on vessels and structures (exempt from information collection burden because BOEMRE is providing exact language for the trash and debris warning, similar to the "Surgeon General's Warning" exemption). |         |                                   | 0                    |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  |  |         | <b>500 responses</b>              | <b>700 hours</b>     |
| 200 thru 299   | General departure and alternative compliance requests not specifically covered elsewhere in subpart B regulations.   | 2       | 25 requests                       | 50                   |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  |  |         | <b>25 responses</b>               | <b>50 hours</b>      |
|  |  |         | <b>\$373,209 Non-Hour Costs</b>   |                      |
| <b>TOTAL BURDEN</b>                                      |  |         | <b>4,343 Responses</b>            | <b>190,480 Hours</b> |
|  |  |         | <b>\$3,597,157 Non-Hour Costs</b> |                      |

\* You may have multiple locations and/or wells for each EP, EPP, or DOCD.

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*Estimated Reporting and*

*Recordkeeping Non-Hour Cost Burden:*

We have identified four non-hour costs associated with this information collection that are cost recovery fees. They consist of fees being submitted with EP's (\$3,442), DPP's or DOCD's (\$3,971), DWOP's (\$3,336), and CID's (\$25,629). There is also one non-hour cost burden associated with the Protected Species Observer Program. The cost associated with this program is due to observation activities that are usually subcontracted to other service companies with expertise in these areas. Since all of the observation duty and reporting would be done while on the vessel and by contractors, these requirements were calculated as non-hour cost burdens. We estimate that the annual total non-hour cost burden is \$3,597,157, and we have not identified any other non-hour cost burdens associated with this collection of information.

*Public Disclosure Statement:* The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond.

*Comments:* Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*)

requires each agency " \* \* \* to provide notice \* \* \* and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information \* \* \* ". Agencies must specifically solicit comments to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

To comply with the public consultation process, on July 6, 2011, we published a **Federal Register** notice (76 FR 39419) announcing that we would submit this ICR to OMB for approval. The notice provided the required 60-day comment period. In addition, § 250.199 provides the OMB control number for the information collection requirements imposed by the 30 CFR 250 regulations and form. The regulation also informs the public that they may comment at any time on the collections of information and provides the address to which they should send

comments. We received two comments in response to the **Federal Register** notice. The first comment, from the Marine Mammal Commission, supported our request to OMB. The second comment, from the Center for Regulatory Effectiveness, requested that we should state that we are not submitting any ICRs for seismic regulations that are more stringent than current regulations, including NTL 2007-G02. Response: For the renewal of this ICR, we are not requesting anything more stringent than in current NTL 2007-G02 and 30 CFR part 250, subpart B regulations, which are covered under OMB Control Number 1010-0151. We have no plans, at this time, to change the content of or the resultant burdens imposed by NTL 2007-G02. Therefore, BOEMRE should move forward with the required information collection to ensure compliance with OMB deadlines. If the lawsuit settlement or resulting decree requires changes to the NTL and/or DOI regulations, information collection coordination and OMB approval will occur before any NTL is reissued or regulations are promulgated.

If you wish to comment in response to this notice, you may send your comments to the offices listed under the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. The OMB has up to 60 days to approve or

disapprove the information collection but may respond after 30 days. Therefore, to ensure maximum consideration, OMB should receive public comments by October 31, 2011.

**Public Availability of Comments:** Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**BOEMRE Information Collection Clearance Officer:** Arlene Bajusz (703) 787-1025.

Dated: September 22, 2011.

**Amy C. White,**

*Acting Chief, Office of Offshore Regulatory Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R9-IA-2011-N204; 96300-1671-0000-P5]

#### Endangered Species; Receipt of Applications for Permit

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits activities with listed species unless a Federal permit is issued that allows such activities. The ESA law requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

**DATES:** We must receive comments or requests for documents on or before October 31, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Brenda Tapia, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358-2280; or e-mail [DMAFR@fws.gov](mailto:DMAFR@fws.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brenda Tapia, (703) 358-2104 (telephone); (703) 358-2280 (fax); [DMAFR@fws.gov](mailto:DMAFR@fws.gov) (e-mail).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### I. Public Comment Procedures

A. How do I request copies of applications or comment on submitted applications?

Send your request for copies of applications or comments and materials concerning any of the applications to the contact listed under **ADDRESSES**. Please include the **Federal Register** notice publication date, the PRT-number, and the name of the applicant in your request or submission. We will not consider requests or comments sent to an e-mail or address not listed under **ADDRESSES**. If you provide an e-mail address in your request for copies of applications, we will attempt to respond to your request electronically.

Please make your requests or comments as specific as possible. Please confine your comments to issues for which we seek comments in this notice, and explain the basis for your comments. Include sufficient information with your comments to allow us to authenticate any scientific or commercial data you include.

The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) Those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see **ADDRESSES**).

B. May I review comments submitted by others?

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the address listed under **ADDRESSES**. The public may review documents and other information applicants have sent in support of the application unless our allowing viewing would violate the Privacy Act or Freedom of Information Act. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

### II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species,

section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), require that we invite public comment before final action on these permit applications.

### III. Permit Applications

#### A. *Endangered Species*

Applicant: Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens, Los Angeles, CA; PRT 52827A

The applicant requests an amendment to the permit to increase the number of live, captive-born komodo monitors (*Varanus komodoensis*) from eight to ten for export to Germany, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Ivan Schwab, University of California, Department of Ophthalmology, Sacramento, CA; PRT-48306A

The applicant requests a permit to import one head, including eyes, lacrimal glands, and brain of one stranded dead wild leatherback sea turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*) from the Canadian Sea Turtle Network, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, for the purpose of scientific research.

#### Multiple Applicants

The following applicants each request 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:* Daniel Cabela, Dripping Springs, TX; PRT-52963A

*Applicant:* Woolsey Caye, Louisville, KY; PRT-50923A

*Applicant:* Carlos Ramirez, Houston, TX; PRT-52683A

*Applicant:* Wesley Bryant, Globe, AZ; PRT-53794A

#### **Brenda Tapia,**

*Program Analyst/Data Administrator, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.*

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