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(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.173, Biological Research Related to Deafness and Communicative Disorders, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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**Jennifer S. Spaeth,**

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Musculoskeletal and Vascular Sciences.

*Date:* March 19, 2012.

*Time:* 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Aftab A Ansari, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4108, MSC 7814, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-237-9931, [ansaria@csr.nih.gov](mailto:ansaria@csr.nih.gov).

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(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, Comparative Medicine; 93.333, Clinical Research, 93.306, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393-93.396, 93.837-93.844, 93.846-93.878, 93.892, 93.893, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Customs and Border Protection

#### Accreditation and Approval of Thionville Surveying Company, Inc., as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Thionville Surveying Company, Inc., as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Thionville Surveying Company, Inc., 5440 Pepsi St, Harahan, LA 70123, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the Web site listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories. [http://cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/trade/automated/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/gaulist.ctt/gaulist.pdf](http://cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/trade/automated/labs_scientific_svcs/gaulist.ctt/gaulist.pdf)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Thionville Surveying Company, Inc., as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on June 22, 2011. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for June 2014.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jonathan McGrath, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: February 28, 2012.

**Ira S. Reese,**

Executive Director, Laboratories and Scientific Services.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Customs and Border Protection

#### Approval of VIP Chemical, Inc., As a Commercial Gauger

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of approval of VIP Chemical, Inc., as a commercial gauger.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.13, VIP Chemical, Inc., 4026 FM 1694, Robstown, TX 78310, has been approved to gauge petroleum, petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific gauger service this entity is approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the Web site listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/trade/automated/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/gaulist.ctt/gaulist.pdf](http://cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/trade/automated/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/gaulist.ctt/gaulist.pdf)

**DATES:** The approval of VIP Chemical, Inc., as commercial gauger became effective on June 16, 2011. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for June 2014.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jonathan McGrath, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

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Ira S. Reese,

Executive Director, Laboratories and  
Scientific Services.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R6-ES-2012-N041;  
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### Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Recovery Permit Applications

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request  
for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and  
Wildlife Service, invite the public to  
comment on the following applications to  
conduct certain activities with  
endangered or threatened species. With  
some exceptions, the Endangered  
Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act),  
prohibits activities with endangered and  
threatened species unless a Federal  
permit allows such activity. The Act  
requires that we invite public comment  
before issuing these permits.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, please  
send your written comments by April 5,  
2012.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments  
or requests for copies or more  
information by any of the following  
methods. Alternatively, you may use  
one of the following methods to request  
hard copies or a CD-ROM of the  
documents. Please specify the permit  
you are interested in by number (e.g.,  
Permit No. TE-123456).

- *Email:* [permitsR6ES@fws.gov](mailto:permitsR6ES@fws.gov).

Please refer to the respective permit  
number (e.g., Permit No. TE-123456) in  
the subject line of the message.

- *U.S. Mail:* Ecological Services, U.S.  
Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box  
25486-DFC, Denver, CO 80225.

- *In-Person Drop-off, Viewing, or  
Pickup:* Call (303) 236-4256 to make an  
appointment during regular business  
hours at 134 Union Blvd., Suite 645,  
Lakewood, CO 80228.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kris  
Olsen, Permit Coordinator Ecological  
Services, (303) 236-4256 (phone);  
[permitsR6ES@fws.gov](mailto:permitsR6ES@fws.gov) (email).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*)  
prohibits activities with endangered and

threatened species unless a Federal  
permit allows such activity. Along with  
our implementing regulations in the  
Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50  
CFR 17, the Act provides for permits,  
and requires that we invite public  
comment before issuing these permits.

A permit granted by us under section  
10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes you to  
conduct activities with United States  
endangered or threatened species for  
scientific purposes, enhancement of  
propagation or survival, or interstate  
commerce (the latter only in the event  
that it facilitates scientific purposes or  
enhancement of propagation or  
survival). Our regulations implementing  
section 10(a)(1)(A) for these permits are  
found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered  
wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for  
threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR  
17.62 for endangered plant species, and  
50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant  
species.

#### Applications Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal  
agencies, and the public to comment on  
the following applications. Please refer  
to the appropriate permit number (e.g.,  
Permit No. TE-123456) for the  
application when submitting comments.

Documents and other information the  
applicants have submitted with these  
applications are available for review,  
subject to the requirements of the  
Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and  
Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C.  
552).

#### Permit Application Number: TE-047250

*Applicant:* Joe Maurier, Montana Fish,  
Wildlife, and Parks, Helena, Montana  
59620.

Applicant requests renewal of an  
existing permit to perform the following  
recovery activities with the following  
species, in conjunction with surveys  
and population monitoring activities  
throughout the range of each species in  
Montana for the purpose of enhancing  
the species' survival: take (capture,  
hold, tag, propagate, and kill) pallid  
sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus albus*) and  
take (capture, hold, tag, and release)  
black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*).

#### Permit Application Number: TE-059105

*Applicant:* Pam Riddle, Bureau of Land  
Management, Moab Field Office,  
Moab, Utah 84532.

Applicant requests renewal of an  
existing permit to take (harass by  
survey) Southwestern willow flycatcher  
(*Empidonax traillii extimus*) in  
conjunction with surveys throughout  
the range of the species in Utah for the

purpose of enhancing the species'  
survival.

#### Permit Application Number: TE-161444

*Applicant:* William Shepherd,  
California Academy of Sciences,  
Steinhart Aquarium, San Francisco,  
California 94118.

Applicant requests renewal of an  
existing permit to take (display) pallid  
sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus albus*) for the  
purpose of enhancing the species'  
survival.

#### Permit Application Number: TE-047290

*Applicant:* Theodore James Smith,  
Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Native  
Aquatic Species Restoration Facility,  
Alamosa, Colorado 81101.

Applicant requests renewal of an  
existing permit to take (capture, hold,  
tag, propagate, and kill) bonytail (*Gila  
elegans*), Colorado pikeminnow  
(*Ptychocheilus lucius*), humpback chub  
(*Gila cypha*), and razorback sucker  
(*Xyrauchen texanus*) at the Colorado  
Parks and Wildlife, Native Aquatic  
Species Restoration Facility for the  
purpose of enhancing the species'  
survival.

#### Permit Application Number: TE-049623

*Applicant:* Mike Houck, Department of  
the Army, DPW, Environmental  
Division, Ft. Riley, Kansas 66442.

Applicant requests renewal of an  
existing permit to take (capture, survey,  
electrofishing, and display) Topeka shiner  
(*Notropis topeka*) in Kansas for the  
purpose of enhancing the species'  
survival.

#### Permit Application Number: TE-052204

*Applicant:* Lee Bender, U.S. Fish and  
Wildlife Service, Saratoga National  
Fish Hatchery, Saratoga, Wyoming  
82331.

Applicant requests renewal of an  
existing permit to take (survey,  
transport, and propagate) Wyoming toad  
(*Bufo baxteri*) in Wyoming for the  
purpose of enhancing the species'  
survival.

#### Permit Application Number: TE-056079

*Applicant:* John Hawkins, Colorado  
State University, Larval Fish  
Laboratory, Ft. Collins, Colorado  
80523.

Applicant requests renewal of an  
existing permit to take (capture, survey,  
and electrofishing) Colorado pikeminnow  
(*Ptychocheilus lucius*) in Colorado for  
the purpose of enhancing the species'  
survival.