

All Other Exporters

With regard to whether imports of subject merchandise by the “all other” exporters of hangers from Vietnam were massive, we preliminarily determine that because there is evidence of the existence of countervailable subsidies that are inconsistent with the Subsidies Agreement, an analysis is warranted as to whether there was a massive increase in shipments by the “all other” companies, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.206(h)(1). Therefore, we analyzed, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.206(i), monthly shipment data for the period August 2011 through May 2012, using shipment data from the ITC’s Dataweb, adjusted to remove the shipments by the respondents participating in the investigation.¹³ For this analysis, we used only the data pertaining to the HTSUS numbers 7326.20.0020 and 7323.99.9080, which are the HTSUS categories under which a majority of the subject merchandise entered the United States. The data provided by the Hamico Companies and the data for shipments by other exporters from the ITC’s Dataweb indicate there was a massive increase in shipments, as defined by 19 CFR 351.206(h). See Critical Circumstances Memorandum at Attachment II.

Conclusion

We preliminarily determine that critical circumstances do not exist for imports of steel wire garment hangers from Hamico Companies. Although the *Preliminary Determination* indicates that the Hamico Companies benefited from programs that are inconsistent with the Subsidies Agreement, the Hamico Companies’ shipment data do not indicate a massive increase in shipments of subject merchandise to the United States. With regard to the Infinite Companies, as AFA, we preliminarily determine that the companies benefited from programs that are inconsistent with the Subsidies Agreement and that there was a massive increase in the companies’ shipments of subject merchandise to the United States. Therefore, we preliminarily determine that critical circumstances do not exist with regard to shipments from one mandatory respondent, the Hamico Companies and, as AFA, preliminarily

determine that critical circumstances exist with regard to shipments from the other mandatory respondent, the Infinite Companies.

We also preliminarily determine, based on our analysis of the shipment data provided by the Hamico Companies and the ITC Dataweb data, that critical circumstances exist for imports from “all other” exporters of steel wire garment hangers from Vietnam. The Department conducted its analysis of the shipment data for all other exporters of steel wire garment hangers by subtracting the total quantity and value of the Hamico Companies’ reported quantity and value during the POI from the total quantity and value of all imports of steel wire garment hangers from Vietnam. The results of this analysis indicate that the imports attributed to all other imports exceeded the fifteen percent threshold. See *Critical Circumstances Memorandum* at Attachment 1. We will make a final determination concerning critical circumstances for steel wire garment hangers from Vietnam when we make our final countervailable subsidy determination in this investigation.

Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 703(e)(2)(A) of the Act, we are directing U.S. Customs and Border Protection to suspend liquidation, with regard all exporters except the Hamico Companies, of any unliquidated entries of subject merchandise from the Vietnam entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after March 6, 2012, which is 90 days prior to the date of publication of the *Preliminary Determination* in the *Federal Register*.

ITC Notification

In accordance with section 703(f) of the Act, we will notify the ITC of our determination.

This determination is issued and published pursuant to sections 703(f) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: December 4, 2012.

Paul Piquado,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Survey of Shore-Based and Boat-Based Non-Commercial Fishing on St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands

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 February 8, 2013.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Theresa L. Goedeke, (301) 713–3028 x 237 or theresa.goedeke@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This request is for a new information collection to benefit local fishery managers in the U.S. Virgin Islands (USVI). Non-commercial fishing is an important activity on St. Croix, USVI yet robust data characterizing the catch, effort and cultural attributes of such fishing are limited. Without these basic data on the non-commercial fishery on St. Croix, it is not possible to develop required fishery management plans. Consequently, local fishery managers have asked for collection of information required to make management decisions, information that will help them to balance the need for more effective fishery management with social, economic and cultural imperatives of the region.

Researchers propose to conduct two distinct data collection efforts, Collection A and Collection B. Collection A will consist of a survey of non-commercial, shore-based fishers. This survey will ascertain the catch,

¹³ See, e.g., *Certain Oil Country Tubular Goods From the People’s Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination, Preliminary Negative Critical Circumstances Determination*, 74 FR 47210, 47212 (September 15, 2009), unchanged in *Certain Oil Country Tubular Goods From the People’s Republic of China: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination: Final Negative Critical Circumstances Determination*, 74 FR 64045 (December 7, 2009).

effort, and socioeconomic characteristics of fishers using this mode of fishing on St. Croix. Collection B will be a survey of boat-based, non-commercial fishers on St. Croix to document levels of catch and effort for this mode of fishing.

The data gathered will be used to describe recreational and subsistence sectors in St. Croix, and evaluate the socio-economic impacts of federal regulatory actions.

In addition, the information will be used to strengthen and improve fishery management decision-making, satisfy legal mandates under Executive Order 12866, the Magnuson Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), the Regulatory Flexibility Act, the Endangered Species Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act, and other pertinent statutes.

II. Method of Collection

Collection A, which will take place over a 12-month period, will be comprised of two data collection activities: (1) A survey of shore-based fishers, and (2) counts of shore-based fishers. Collection B, which will take place over a 24-month period, will include two data collection activities: (1) A survey of fishers at boat ramps and, (2) a count of boat trailers or vehicles at launch sites where surveys are administered.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: None.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission (request for a new information collection).

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,400.

Estimated Time per Response: Collection A survey, 10 minutes; Collection B survey, 5 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 484 (Collection A, 67; Collection B, 417).

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0 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: December 4, 2012.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Appointments to a Recreational Fisheries Working Group by the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee

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

ACTION: Notice; request for nominations.

SUMMARY: Nominations are being solicited for appointment to a Recreational Fisheries Working Group of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC). The members will be appointed by MAFAC in consultation with NOAA and will serve for an initial term of up to two years, with the option to apply to be re-appointed. The term would begin in February or March 2013. Nominees should possess demonstrable expertise in the management or business of recreational fishing and/or fisheries science; a well-informed background in recreational fisheries issues; an operational knowledge of federal agencies and interactions with the Fishery Management Councils and/or regional and state partners; and be able to fulfill the time commitments required for up to two annual meetings.

DATES: Applications must be received on or before January 9, 2013, via mail or email.

ADDRESSES: Applications should be sent to Danielle Rioux, Recreational Fisheries Policy Specialist, NMFS SF-13336, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 or Danielle.Rioux@noaa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Danielle Rioux, Recreational Fisheries

Policy Specialist; (301) 427-8516; email: Danielle.Rioux@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: MAFAC is the only Federal advisory committee with the responsibility to advise the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) on all matters concerning living marine resources that are the responsibility of the Department of Commerce. MAFAC established a Recreational Fisheries Working Group (RFGW) in 2010, to assist it in the development of recommendations to the Secretary on regulations, policies and programs critical to the mission and goals of the NMFS. The RFGW is composed of people with a specific interest and qualification related to NOAA's recreation-related activities. Beginning in 2013, half of the RFGW appointments will expire every year, and applications/nominations will be solicited each year to fill these seats. The RFGW is expected to have no more than 25 members to be selected from a balance of the diverse national and regional recreational fisheries sector and community perspectives. With this solicitation NOAA will fill 6 currently empty seats, as well as any vacancies that develop during the reappointment process.

MAFAC established the RFGW to advise MAFAC on issues of importance to the recreational fishing community, including, but not limited to: (1) Review and possible revision of the NOAA National and Regional Recreational Fisheries Action Agendas, (2) planning for a second National Saltwater Recreational Fisheries Summit, and such other recreational fisheries issues and activities identified as appropriate by MAFAC.

The RFGW members cannot be employed by NOAA or a member of a Regional Fishery Management Council or have been registered as a lobbyist with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives within two years of the date of appointment. Membership is voluntary, and except for reimbursable travel and related expenses, service is without pay.

Each submission should provide the nominee's name and affiliation (i.e. private angler, charterboat, trade association, etc.) and contact information including address, phone number, fax number, and email address (if available); and should describe the nominee's qualifying experience in the following areas:

1. Expertise in the management or business of recreational fishing, and/or fisheries science;
2. Informed background in recreational fisheries issues; and