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Christian Marsh,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Application(s) for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651, as amended by Pub. L. 106–36; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether instruments of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instruments shown below are intended to be used, are being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a)(3) and (4) of the regulations and be postmarked on or before March 24, 2016. Address written comments to Statutory Import Programs Staff, Room 3720, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the U.S. Department of Commerce in Room 3720.

Docket Number: 15–044. Applicant: University of Pittsburgh, 116 Atwood Street, Suite 201, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. Instrument: Scios Dual Beam Field Emission Scanning Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: Scios, Czech Republic. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to reveal the surface and sub-surface microstructure metrics of structural materials such as steels, Nibased superalloys, Al-, Ti-, Mn-base and other specialty alloys, functional materials based on ceramic, metal and semiconducting thin films, particulates and composites. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: December 15, 2015.

Docket Number: 15–047. Applicant: Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Ave., Boston, MA 02210. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: JEOL, LTD., Japan. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to study a wide range of biomolecules with the overall objective of better understanding the biological processes underlying normal and abnormal (cancer) biological activity. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general

category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: December 15, 2015.

Docket Number: 15-049. Applicant: University of Maryland College Park, 2125 J. M. Patterson, College Park, MD 20742. Instrument: Laser lithography system Photonic Professional GT and accessories. Manufacturer: Nanoscribe GmbH, Hermon Von Hermholtz Platz 1, Germany. Intended Use: The fundamental capabilities of the instrument target the nanoscale fabrication of complex 3-dimensional polymer components and systems. The instrument will be used for the characterization and optimization of fabrication resolution and precision for specific applications and device and system level characterization of components manufactured using the nanoscribe tool. It will be used to perform research into the nanoscale patterning of photoactive polymer materials, including epoxy-based photoresists. Unique features of this instrument include two photon polymerization of various UV-curable photoresists, two photon exposure of common positive tone photoresists, and the highest resolution available for a 3D printer. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: December

7, 2015. Docket Number: 15-054. Applicant: University of Connecticut Health Center, 263 Farmington Ave., Farmington, CT 06030. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: FEI Company, Czech Republic. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to investigate the organization of various organs and tissues obtained from mice. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: November 24, 2015.

Docket Number: 15–056. Applicant: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: FEI Company, Czech Republic. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to study cell and tissue cultures, model systems and human tissue biopsies. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: December 15, 2015.

Docket Number: 15–059. Applicant: Rutgers University, 136 Frelinghuysen

Road, Piscataway, NK 08854. **Instrument: Low Temperature Scanning** Tunneling Microscope. Manufacturer: Unisoku, Japan, Intended Use: The instrument will be used to prepare atomically flat and clean surfaces of samples with proper heat treatment, measure crystal surface's electronic structure with ultimate spatial and energy resolution, observe quantum phenomena accompanied with temperature or magnetic field change at the atomic scale, find the atomic origin of quantum phenomena in strongly correlated materials and control the quantum phenomena by material deposition or atom manipulation. Techniques will include making and maintaining ultra-high vacuum, lowering the temperature by using cryogenic liquids, heating of samples in the vacuum chamber by electron beam heating, cleaving of samples at low temperature, vacuum material evaporation, and scanning probe techniques to get electronic structures of the specimen (scanning tunneling microscopy, scanning tunneling spectroscopy, tip treatment or atom manipulation). Unique features of this instrument include operation temperature of lower than 5K with liquid helium, ultra high vacuum at 1.3x10⁻⁸ Pa (9.8x10⁻¹¹ Torr), high magnetic field supplied superconducting magnet with a maximum 8 Tesla field perpendicular to the sample plane, preparation chamber with direct current heating up to 1300C and e-beam heating up to 1500C, IS 40C1 Sputter Cleaning Ion Source with gas inlet package, MAN-SLT cooling and cleaving manipulator, and UHV multi-element miniature evaporator ME series. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: December 15, 2015.

Docket Number: 15–060. Applicant: Kent State University, 1425 University Esplanade, Kent, OH 44242. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: FEI company, the Netherlands. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to characterize various kinds of solid state materials and fabricate nanostructures and devices. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: December 8, 2015.

Dated: February 25, 2016.

Gregory W. Campbell,

Director of Subsidies Enforcement, Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Endangered Species Act; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: We, NMFS, announce a public meeting of a review of our recovery program under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA). The purpose of the review is to ensure that recovery program priorities and implementation are aligned with resources and mission mandates: enhance and align strategic management of NMFS regulatory programs; and provide transparency in the operation of NMFS recovery program.

DATES: The meeting will be held Tuesday April 19, 2016, through Thursday April 21, 2016, at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the NOAA Science Center, 1301 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone: 301-713-1010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Therese Conant, NMFS Office of Protected Resources, 301-427-8456.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the ESA, section 4(f) requires the Secretary to develop and implement recovery plans for the conservation and survival of endangered and threatened species. Those recovery plans must include objective, measurable criteria which, when met, would lead to a determination that the species be removed from the list, site-specific management actions necessary to achieve the plan's goal for the conservation of the species, and estimates of the time and costs to carry out the measures identified in the plan.

We currently have final recovery plans for 47 species and draft recovery plans for five species. Recovery plans are not started or are under development for 39 species. The objective of the recovery program review is to determine if the current recovery planning process results in

recovery plans that are effective roadmaps for recovering the species as evidenced by whether the plans are being implemented by NMFS and stakeholders, resulting in progress towards meeting the recovery criteria so that the species may be delisted. This review will evaluate, within the context of current budget constraints, the efficacy of the recovery planning process, including the quality of the recovery plans, the implementation of recovery actions, and the monitoring of recovery progress. This review will provide recommendations to improve recovery plans and the recovery planning and implementation process to increase the likelihood of recovering species.

The meeting is open to the public all day, and the public will have an opportunity to provide verbal or written comments in one-hour sessions each day. Exact times for the public comment sessions are not known, but will be scheduled after 2 p.m. each day.

Special Accommodations

This public meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other accommodations should be directed to Therese Conant (see ADDRESSES) as soon as possible, but no later than 7 business days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq. Dated: February 29, 2016.

Angela Somma,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Hearings

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

ACTION: Notice of public hearings.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold public hearings for the Council's Blueline Tilefish Amendment.

DATES: Written comments will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, March 30, 2016. The hearings will be held between March 21, 2016 and March 29, 2016 as described below.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent by any of the following methods:

- Email to the following address: jdidden@mafmc.org; Include "Blueline Tilefish Comments" in the subject line;
- Mail or hand deliver to Dr. Christopher M. Moore, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 North State Street, Suite 201, Dover, Delaware 19901. Mark the outside of the envelope "Blueline Tilefish Comments"; or

• Fax to (302) 674–5399. There will be four hearings with the following dates/times/locations:

1. Monday March 21, 2016, 6 p.m. Dare County Administration Building, Commissioners Meeting Room, 954 Marshall C. Collins Drive, Manteo, NC 27954; telephone: (252) 475-5700.

2. Tuesday March 22, 2016, 7 p.m. Hilton Virginia Beach Oceanfront, 3001 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach, VA 23451;

telephone: (757) 213-3001.

3. Monday, March 28, 2016, 7 p.m. Hilton Suites Oceanfront, 3200 Baltimore Ave., Ocean City, MD 21842; telephone: (410) 289-6444.

4. Tuesday, March 29, 2016, 7 p.m. Hilton Garden Inn Lakewood, 1885 Route 70, Lakewood, NJ 08701; telephone: (732) 262-5232.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331; Web site: www.mafmc.org.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, telephone: (302) 526-5255.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council has initiated an amendment to the Golden Tilefish Fishery Management Plan to begin management and conservation of blueline tilefish in the Mid-Atlantic. Measures include options for establishing a Mid-Atlantic blueline tilefish unit, establishing status determination criteria, commercial/forhire/private permitting and reporting, establishment of a monitoring committee, framework adjustment procedures, specification process (including risk policy), commercial/ recreational allocations, commercial/ recreational trip/possession limits, essential fish habitat designation, and catch accountability measures. A public hearing document will be posted to the Council's Web site, www.mafmc.org, on or before March 14, 2916. The Council will consider the public's comments and testimony at its April 2016 Council Meeting, when it will take final action regarding adding blueline tilefish to the Golden Tilefish Fishery Management Plan.