

year. NMFS received applications for ITAs from ExxonMobil Alaska LNG LLC (see 81 FR 6376, February 5, 2016) (Notice of Proposed Incidental Harassment Authorization); SAExploration Inc.; and BlueCrest Alaska Operating LLC. Potential impacts from these actions are assessed in the Draft EA available at the above web address.

On February 5, 2016, NMFS published a Proposed Issuance of an Incidental Take Authorization for ExxonMobil Alaska LNG LLC (see 81 FR 6376, February 5, 2016), which stated that the Draft EA would be available for review concurrently with the proposed Authorization. The Draft EA was not available for the majority of the public comment period of the proposed Authorization. Due to the delay in making the Draft EA publically available, NMFS will be accepting public comment on the Draft EA until March 28, 2016.

Dated: March 3, 2016.

Perry F. Gayaldo,

Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Southeast Region 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 May 9, 2016.

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 Dr. David Gloeckner, (305) 361-4257 or david.gloeckner@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This request is for extension of a current information collection.

Participants in most Federally-managed fisheries in the Southeast Region are currently required to keep and submit catch and effort logbooks from their fishing trips. A subset of these vessels also provide information on the species and quantities of fish, shellfish, marine turtles, and marine mammals that are caught and discarded or have interacted with the vessel's fishing gear. A subset of these vessels also provide information about dockside prices, trip operating costs, and annual fixed costs.

The data are used for scientific analyses that support critical conservation and management decisions made by national and international fishery management organizations. Interaction reports are needed for fishery management planning and to help protect endangered species and marine mammals. Price and cost data will be used in analyses of the economic effects of proposed regulations.

II. Method of Collection

The information is submitted on paper forms. Logbooks are completed daily and submitted on either a by trip or monthly basis, depending on the fishery. Fixed costs are submitted on an annual basis. Other information is submitted on a trip basis.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648-0016.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Review: Regular submission (extension of a current information collection).

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

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,634.

Estimated Time per Response: Annual fixed-cost reports, 30 minutes; Colombian fishery logbooks, 18 minutes; discard logbooks, 15 minutes; headboat, golden crab, reef fish-mackerel, economic cost/trip, wreckfish, and shrimp logbooks, 10 minutes; no-fishing responses for golden crab, reef fish-mackerel, charterboat, wreckfish and Colombian fisheries, 2 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 17,038.

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: March 3, 2016.

Sarah Brabson,

NOAA PRA Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Community BroadbandUSA Connectivity Initiative Workshop

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meetings.

SUMMARY: The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), through the BroadbandUSA program, will hold a half-day workshop on March 22, 2016, to engage stakeholders in developing meaningful measures for community broadband access, adoption, policy and use as part of its efforts to develop the Community Connectivity Initiative. The Community Connectivity Initiative will provide a framework to enable local leaders to better assess their community connectivity and strengthen efforts to align broadband technology with local policies and priorities. The Community Connectivity Initiative will include a tool for helping communities assess their broadband readiness. Stakeholder participation is critical to the design and implementation of the self-assessment tool. NTIA will convene this workshop to provide opportunities for participants to share insights and suggestions on the design of the program. NTIA also

announces two webinars to provide additional information on the Community Connectivity Initiative.

DATES: The Community Connectivity Initiative Workshop will be held on March 22, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Pacific Daylight Time. The first webinar will be held on March 24, 2016, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time. The second webinar will be held on April 12, 2016, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time.

ADDRESSES: The Workshop will be held in the Chief Seattle Conference Room of the Federal Office Building (FOB), 909 1st Avenue, Seattle, WA 98174.

Individuals are subject to security screening in order to enter the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Barbara Brown, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 4889, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 280-8260; email: bbrown@ntia.doc.gov. Please direct media inquiries to NTIA's Office of Public Affairs, (202) 482-7002; email: press@ntia.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NTIA's BroadbandUSA program provides expert advice and field-proven tools for assessing broadband adoption, planning new infrastructure and engaging a wide range of partners in broadband projects. BroadbandUSA convenes workshops on a regular basis to bring stakeholders together to discuss ways to improve broadband policies, share best practices, and connect communities to other federal agencies and funding sources for the purpose of expanding broadband infrastructure and adoption throughout America's communities.

The Community Connectivity Initiative is a recommendation of the Broadband Opportunity Council, an inter-agency working group established by the White House in 2015 "to use all available and appropriate authorities to: Identify and address regulatory barriers that may unduly impede either wired broadband deployment or the infrastructure to augment wireless broadband deployment; encourage further public and private investment in broadband networks and services; promote the adoption and meaningful use of broadband technology; and otherwise encourage or support broadband deployment, competition, and adoption in ways that promote the public interest."

The workshop and webinars will be open to the public and press. Space is limited and available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Online registration is

available for both the in-person workshop on March 22, 2016, and the webinars on March 24, 2016, and April 12, 2016, at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/community-connectivity-workshop-tickets-22458391654>. NTIA asks registrants to provide their first and last names and email addresses for both registration purposes and to receive any updates on the Community Connectivity Initiative. If capacity for the workshop is reached, NTIA will maintain a waiting list and will inform those on the waiting list if space becomes available. Additional information about these events as well as meeting updates, changes in the agenda, if any, and relevant documents will be available on NTIA's Web site at <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/other-publication/2016/nwcommunityinitiativeworkshop>.

The workshop and webinars are accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring accommodations, such as language interpretation or other ancillary aids, are asked to notify Barbara Brown at the contact information listed above at least five (5) business days before the meeting.

Dated: March 4, 2016.

Kathy D. Smith,

Chief Counsel, National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

ACTION: Notice of revised Prefatory Statement of General Routine Uses.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO" or "the Agency") seeks to revise the Prefatory Statement of General Routine Uses ("prefatory statement") published in the **Federal Register** on December 31, 1981 (46 FR 63501-63502). This action is being taken to update the language in several existing uses as well as to integrate new uses.

DATES: Written comments on the proposed prefatory statement revisions should be sent on or before April 18, 2016. The prefatory statement as revised below will become effective as of the above date unless the USPTO receives comments that would result in a contrary determination.

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

- *Email:* InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include "USPTO Prefatory Statement—Comment" in the subject line of the message.
- *Federal Rulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.
- *Mail:* Marcie Lovett, Director, Records Management Division, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The USPTO is giving notice of proposed revisions to the Agency's Prefatory Statement of General Routine Uses. The revisions update the language in multiple uses to remove outdated references and terms, restructure existing uses for clarity and brevity, and add routine uses designed to cover new technological uses (e.g. disclosures following system data breaches) and relevant uses not present in the previous prefatory statement (e.g. disclosures to state bar organizations). The following routine uses apply to, and are incorporated by reference into, each system of records utilized by the United States Patent and Trademark Office that is created or revised following the publication of this notice.

Prefatory Statement of General Routine Uses

A record from the referencing system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to:

1. A Federal, state, local, or foreign agency in the event that the system of records indicates a violation or potential violation of law, whether civil, criminal, or regulatory in nature, and whether arising by (1) general statute or particular program statute or contract, (2) rule, regulation, or order issued pursuant thereto, or (3) the necessity to protect an interest of the Agency. The agency receiving the record(s) must be charged with the responsibility of investigating or prosecuting such violations or with enforcing or implementing the statute, rule, regulation, or order issued pursuant thereto, or protecting the interest of the Agency.

2. A Federal, state or local agency maintaining civil, criminal, or other relevant enforcement information or other pertinent information, such as current licenses, if necessary to obtain information relevant to an Agency decision concerning (1) the assignment, hiring, or retention of an individual, (2) the issuance of a security clearance, (3) the letting of a contract, or (4) the