

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[RTID 0648–XB073]

**Marine Mammals; File No. 25672**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Miling Li, Sc.D., University of Delaware, 15 Innovation Way, Newark, DE 19711, has applied in due form for a permit to import biological samples from beluga whales (*Delphinapterus leucas*) for scientific research.

**DATES:** Written or email comments must be received on or before June 14, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** The application and related documents are available for review by selecting “Records Open for Public Comment” from the “Features” box on the Applications and Permits for Protected Species (APPS) home page, <https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov>, and then selecting File No. 25672 from the list of available applications. These documents are also available upon written request via email to [NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov](mailto:NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov).

Written comments on this application should be submitted via email to [NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov](mailto:NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov). Please include File No. 25672 in the subject line of the email comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request via email to [NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov](mailto:NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov). The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer Skidmore or Shasta McClenahan, Ph.D., (301) 427–8401.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The applicant proposes to import biological samples from Canada from up to 160 Eastern Beaufort Sea beluga whales annually for scientific research to develop and use novel tools (*e.g.*, stable mercury and lead isotopes) for assessing climate change impacts on this population, including their foraging habitats and contaminant burden. The requested duration of the permit is 5 years.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of the application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: May 6, 2021.

**Julia Marie Harrison,**

*Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Defense Acquisition Regulations System**

[Docket Number DARS–2021–0011; OMB Control Number 0704–0454]

**Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Administrative and Information Matters**

**AGENCY:** Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. *DoD invites comments on:* Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection requirement for use through September 30, 2021. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for three additional years.

**DATES:** DoD will consider all comments received by July 12, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0704–0454, using any of the following methods:

○ *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

○ *Email:* [osd.dfars@mail.mil](mailto:osd.dfars@mail.mil). Include OMB Control Number 0704–0454 in the subject line of the message.

○ *Mail:* Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Attn: Ms. Heather Kitchens, OUSD (A&S) DPC (DARS), 3060 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B938, Washington, DC 20301–3060.

Comments received generally will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instrument, please contact Ms. Heather Kitchens, 571–372–6104.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title and OMB Number:* Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS), U.S.-International Atomic Energy Agency Additional Protocol; OMB Control Number 0704–0454.

*Needs and Uses:* This information collection is necessary to provide for protection of information or activities with national security significance. As such, this information collection requires contractors to comply with the notification process at DFARS 252.204–7010, Requirement for Contractor to Notify DoD if the Contractor’s Activities are Subject to Reporting Under the U.S.-International Atomic Energy Agency Additional Protocol.

*Affected Public:* Businesses and other for-profit entities and not-for-profit institutions.

*Respondent’s Obligation:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*Number of Respondents:* 10.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 10.

*Average Burden per Response:* 1 hour.

*Annual Response Burden Hours:* 10.

*Reporting Frequency:* On occasion.

Under the U.S.-International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Additional Protocol, the United States is required to declare a wide range of public and private nuclear-related activities to the IAEA and potentially provide access to IAEA inspectors for verification purposes. The U.S.-IAEA Additional Protocol permits the United States unilaterally to declare exclusions from

inspection requirements for activities with direct national security significance.

The contract clause at DFARS 252.204–7010, as prescribed at DFARS 204.470–3, is included in contracts for research and development or major defense acquisition programs involving fissionable materials (e.g., uranium, plutonium, neptunium, thorium, americium); other radiological source materials; or technologies directly related to nuclear power production, including nuclear or radiological waste materials.

The clause requires a contractor to provide written notification to the applicable DoD program manager and a copy of the notification to the contracting officer if the contractor is required to report its activities under the U.S.–IAEA Additional Protocol. Upon such notification, DoD will determine if access may be granted to IAEA inspectors, or if a national security exclusion should be applied.

**Jennifer D. Johnson,**

*Regulatory Control Officer, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice Inviting Applications for the Proprietary Institution Grant Funds for Students Program Under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF); American Rescue Plan Act, 2021 (ARP)

**AGENCY:** Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary is announcing the availability of new ARP (a)(4) grant funding under the Proprietary Institution Grant Funds for Students Program, Assistance Listing Number (ALN) 84.425Q, as authorized under section 2003 of the ARP, and inviting applications from eligible proprietary institutions that did not previously receive funding under section 314(a)(4) of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) in order for these institutions to make emergency financial aid grants to students. This notice relates to the approved information collection under OMB control number 1840–0852.

**DATES:**

*Applications Available:* May 13, 2021.  
*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until August 11, 2021.

*Deadline for Submission of Required Proprietary Institution Certification Form:* August 11, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** For the addresses for obtaining and submitting an application, please refer to our Common Instructions for Applicants to Department of Education Discretionary Grant Programs, published in the **Federal Register** on February 13, 2019 (84 FR 3768) and available at [www.federalregister.gov/d/2019-02206](http://www.federalregister.gov/d/2019-02206).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Karen Epps, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 250–64, Washington, DC 20202. Telephone: The Department of Education HEERF Call Center at (202) 377–3711. Email: [HEERF@ed.gov](mailto:HEERF@ed.gov). Please also visit our HEERF website at: [www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/arp.html](http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/arp.html).

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) or a text telephone (TTY), call the Federal Relay Service (FRS), toll free, at 1–800–877–8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Full Text of Announcement**

**I. Funding Opportunity Description**

On March 11, 2021, the President signed into law the ARP (Pub. L. 117–2). This new law makes available approximately \$39.6 billion for institutions of higher education under the HEERF grant program, with funding appropriated through existing programs previously authorized under the CRRSAA (Pub. L. 116–260).

With this notice, the Secretary is announcing that proprietary institutions of higher education, as defined in section 102(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, 20 U.S.C. 1002(b) (HEA), that did not previously receive funding under section 314(a)(4) of CRRSAA may apply for HEERF III grant funds under the ARP (a)(4) program, Proprietary Institution Grant Funds for Students ALN 84.425Q. The estimated available funds for this program is approximately \$396 million. Allocations for eligible proprietary institutions of higher education will be calculated on the basis of the formula specified under section 314(a)(1)(A)–(F) of CRRSAA, with the total amount of funding allocated to the (a)(4) funding stream determined under ARP section 2003(4).

Under CRRSAA section 314(d)(7), which continues to apply to ARP (a)(4) funds, awards from the Proprietary Institution Grant Funds for Students program may only be used to provide emergency financial aid grants to students (including students exclusively

enrolled in distance education), which may be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), or childcare. In making such emergency financial aid grants to students, grantees must prioritize grants to students with exceptional need, such as students who receive Pell Grants. Please note that drawing down any amount of these supplemental funds constitutes an institution's acceptance of the terms and conditions under the ARP and Supplemental Agreement, which are included as appendices to this notice for reference.

The Department will award supplemental funds to eligible institutions that previously received a CRRSAA section 314(a)(4) ALN 84.425Q award without requiring these institutions to submit a new application for funding. However, by August 11, 2021 (90 days of the publication of this notice) and prior to receiving an award, eligible institutions must submit a Required Proprietary Institution Certification (RPIC) form, which must be signed by the institution's president or chief executive officer and any owners with an ownership interest in the institution of 25 percent or more. The Department is adopting this form as an additional risk mitigation procedure. Completed RPIC forms must be emailed to [HEERFARP4@ed.gov](mailto:HEERFARP4@ed.gov).

Proprietary institutions that did not receive a CRRSAA section 314(a)(4) award but are on the Department's published ARP (a)(4) allocation table may apply for and receive ARP (a)(4) funds. To receive an award, institutions must submit an application as well as the RPIC form by August 11, 2021.

The Department recognizes that some institutions may not want additional funds under the ARP. Institutions wanting to decline their award or a specified amount may should submit the Voluntary Decline of HEERF Grant Funds form to [HEERFRefund@ed.gov](mailto:HEERFRefund@ed.gov), available at [www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/arp.html](http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/arp.html), to redirect these funds to institutions with greater needs. If the Department has already made an ARP supplemental award to the institution, the Department will deobligate those supplemented funds in G5 by the amount specified in the form. Any returned funds will be redistributed to institutions that have not declined funds by applying the appropriate distribution formula and making additional supplemental awards. Institutions have 90 days from the publication of this notice to indicate if