

*Accounting for Remedial Action by Eligible Space Station Operators.* Subject to the provision on agreements below, we affirm that WTB will consider remedial action taken by an eligible space station operator only if said operator has memorialized that action in a Certification (whether amended or refiled). Thus, if WTB issues a final determination rejecting a Certification, the fact that the eligible space station operator has taken remedial action—after filing its Certification but before WTB’s decision—to address the problems in said Certification that had prompted WTB’s rejection will not, in and of itself, invalidate or otherwise affect WTB’s determination. Rather, for such remedial action to be considered, the eligible space station operator will need to submit an amended or refiled Certification reflecting that remedial action. The amended or refiled Certification will initiate a new challenge process as to those aspects that had not yet been subject to the initial challenge process, will be subject to 60 day review by the Bureau, and will, if accepted as valid, establish a new date by which the eligible space station operator’s ARP will be calculated.

*Agreements.* We adopt our proposal that eligible space station operators and stakeholders (including, but not limited to, incumbent earth station operators) may enter into agreements to resolve any outstanding issues raised in a challenge to a Certification and submit any such agreements to WTB before the Bureau has made a final determination regarding the validity of the Certification without refiled or amending that Certification. For instance, if an eligible space station operator submits a Certification (either before or after the Phase I deadline) that is credibly challenged, and it attempts to address any alleged deficiency before WTB has issued a decision, the eligible space station operator and challenging parties can enter into an agreement(s) to resolve all outstanding issues between those parties and submit this agreement(s) to WTB. If, after review, WTB accepts this agreement(s) as a good faith resolution of issues in the eligible space station operator’s Certification, the Bureau will find that the original Certification is valid and dismiss the related outstanding challenges. If such an agreement resolved all outstanding challenges, the Bureau would calculate the ARP as of the date the original Certification was filed. If the agreement, or agreements, entered into by the eligible space station operator and the

relevant challenger(s) does not resolve all outstanding issues in an eligible space station operator’s Certification, then the Bureau will proceed to make a determination on any outstanding issues not addressed by the agreement or agreements. To the extent the eligible space station operator files an amended Certification before such determination is made, attesting that it has completed the necessary remedial steps on any outstanding issues, then we will calculate the ARP as of the date of the amended Certification (assuming this amended Certification is found valid). While we decline to adopt certain proposals advanced by Eutelsat relating to our review of agreements, we clarify that parties to an agreement may request confidential treatment under § 0.459 of the Commission’s rules.

Although we allow eligible space station operators and stakeholders to enter into agreements to resolve issues raised in challenges, to ensure the integrity of the transition process, we affirm our proposal to bar the use of greenmail to reach agreements designed to avoid incremental reductions. When a challenge against a Certification is withdrawn as the result of an agreement with an eligible space station operator, we will require that the written withdrawal agreement be accompanied by an affidavit from all parties certifying that no parties involved have received or will receive any money or other consideration, or pay any money or other consideration, in excess of legitimate and prudent expenses in exchange for the agreement or withdrawal of the challenge. We otherwise decline to clarify the Commission’s greenmail policy as some commenters suggest, finding that the approach we adopt will ensure the integrity of the transition without imposing unnecessary or onerous requirements on the parties to such agreements. We believe it is more appropriate to address specific applications of this policy on a case-by-case basis, and will reject any agreement where we have reason to believe greenmail has changed hands.

Finally, if the eligible space station operator takes remedial action to address any challenges to a filed Certification but does not attempt to negotiate with the challengers or such negotiations fail, WTB will proceed to make a decision based on the information submitted by the eligible space station operator in its Certification (original, amended, or refiled, as applicable).

Federal Communications Commission.

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## **GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**

### **48 CFR Part 552**

**[GSAR Case 2017-G506; Docket No. GSA-GSAR 2021-0016; Sequence No. 1]**

**RIN 3090-AJ90**

### **General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation (GSAR); Clause and Provision Designation Corrections; Correction**

**AGENCY:** Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration (GSA).

**ACTION:** Final rule; correction.

**SUMMARY:** On October 6, 2021, GSA published a final rule to amend the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation (GSAR) to correct clause and provision designation and prescription errors, correct deviations and alternate identification issues, and to make other updates to the GSAR related to identification and incorporation of GSAR provisions and clauses. This document corrects an erroneous amendatory instruction in that rule.

**DATES:** Effective November 5, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Thomas O’Linn, Procurement Analyst, at 202-445-0390 or [gsarpolicy@gsa.gov](mailto:gsarpolicy@gsa.gov), for clarification of content. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat Division at 202-501-4755 or [GSARRegSec@gsa.gov](mailto:GSARRegSec@gsa.gov). Please cite GSAR Case 2017-G506.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** GSA is correcting an amendatory instruction under part 552, section 552.232-72.

In FR Doc. 2021-20541 appearing on pages 55516-55525 in the issue of October 6, 2021, make the following correction:

#### **552.232-72 [Corrected]**

■ 1. On page 55524, in the first column, Instruction 82 for 552.232-72 is corrected to read:

“82. Amend section 552.232-72 by removing from the introductory text

“532.904(c)” and adding “532.908(a)” in its place.”

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Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, Office of Government-wide Policy, General Services Administration.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### 50 CFR Part 17

[Docket No. FWS-R5-ES-2020-0127; FXES1130500000-212-FF05E00000]

1018-BD73

#### Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Technical Corrections for Northeast Species

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

**ACTION:** Direct final rule.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announce the revised taxonomy of four wildlife species and two plant species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). We are revising the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and the List of Endangered and Threatened Plants to reflect the scientifically accepted taxonomy and nomenclature of these species.

**DATES:** This rule is effective January 13, 2022 without further action, unless significant adverse comment is received by November 15, 2021. If significant adverse comment is received, we will publish a timely withdrawal of the rule for the appropriate species in the **FEDERAL REGISTER**.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by one of the following methods:

(1) *Electronically:* Go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the Search box, enter FWS-R5-ES-2020-0127, which is the docket number for this rulemaking. Then, click on the Search button. On the resulting page, in the Search panel on the left side of the screen, under the Document Type heading, click on the Proposed Rule box to locate this document. You may submit a comment by clicking on “Comment Now!”

(2) *By hard copy:* Submit by U.S. mail or hand-delivery to: Public Comments Processing, Attn: FWS-R5-ES-2020-0127, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS: PRB/3W, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

See Public Comments under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, below, for

more information about submitting comments.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Martin Miller, Manager, Division of Endangered Species, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, North Atlantic–Appalachian Regional Office, 300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley, MA 01035; telephone 413-253-8615; email [Martin\\_Miller@fws.gov](mailto:Martin_Miller@fws.gov). Individuals who are hearing impaired or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339 for TTY (telephone typewriter or teletypewriter) assistance 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Purpose of Direct Final Rule and Final Action

The purpose of this direct final rule is to notify the public that we are revising: (1) The List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife in title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at § 17.11(h) (50 CFR 17.11(h)) to reflect the scientifically accepted taxonomy and nomenclature of one freshwater turtle species, two beetle species, and one snail species listed under section 4 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*); and (2) the List of Endangered and Threatened Plants in title 50 of the CFR at § 17.12(h) (50 CFR 17.12(h)) to reflect the scientifically accepted taxonomy and nomenclature of two plant species. These changes reflect the most recently accepted scientific names in accordance with 50 CFR 17.11(c) and 50 CFR 17.12(b).

We are publishing this rule without a prior proposal because this is a noncontroversial action that is in the best interest of the public and should be undertaken in as timely a manner as possible. This rule will be effective, as published in this document, on the effective date specified in **DATES**, unless we receive significant adverse comments by the comment due date specified in **DATES**. Significant adverse comments are comments that provide strong justification as to why our rule should not be adopted or why it should be changed.

If we receive significant adverse comments regarding the taxonomic changes for any of these species, we will publish a document in the **Federal Register** withdrawing this rule for the appropriate species before the effective date, and, if appropriate, we will publish a proposed rule to initiate promulgation of those changes to 50 CFR 17.11(h) and/or 50 CFR 17.12(h).

##### Public Comments

You may submit your comments and materials regarding this direct final rule

by one of the methods listed in **ADDRESSES**. Please include sufficient information with your comment that allows us to verify any scientific or commercial information you include.

We will post all comments on <http://www.regulations.gov>. This generally means that we will post any personal information you provide us. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Comments and materials we receive, as well as supporting documentation we used in preparing this direct final rule, will be available for public inspection on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> or by appointment, during normal business hours at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service location listed above in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Please note that comments posted to <http://www.regulations.gov> are not immediately viewable. When you submit a comment, the system receives it immediately. However, the comment will not be publicly viewable until we post it, which might not occur until several days after submission. Information regarding this rule is available in alternative formats upon request (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

##### Background

Sections 17.11(c) and 17.12(b) of title 50 of the CFR direct us to use the most recently accepted scientific name of any species that we have determined to be an endangered or threatened species. Using the best available scientific information, this direct final rule documents taxonomic changes of the scientific names to one entry under “Reptiles,” one entry under “Snails,” and two entries under “Insects” on the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife (50 CFR 17.11(h)), and two entries under “Flowering Plants” on the List of Endangered and Threatened Plants (50 CFR 17.12(h)). The basis for these taxonomic changes is supported by published studies in peer-reviewed journals. Accordingly, we revise the scientific names of these species under section 4 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).