

for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: This webinar will be held on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. Webinar registration URL information: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3586121371946018064>.

ADDRESSES: Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda

The Committee will discuss recommendations from the Groundfish Advisory Panel, Recreational Advisory Panel, and Groundfish Plan Development Team. They will also discuss draft alternatives and draft impacts analysis, and make recommendations to the Council to include: status determination criteria, rebuilding plan for Gulf of Maine (GOM) cod, FY2023-FY2024 US/CA total allowable catches, FY2023-FY2024 specifications: Georges Bank (GB) yellowtail flounder and GB cod (including a catch target for the recreational fishery), FY2023-FY2025 specifications for 14 stocks, additional measures to promote stock rebuilding for GB cod and GOM cod, and revised acceptable biological catch (ABC) control rules, in consultation with the Scientific and Statistical Committee in Framework Adjustment 65/ Specifications & Management Measures. The Committee will discuss the development of a draft white paper on potential approaches to allocate "Georges Bank cod" to the recreational fishery delivered in 2022 to inform the 2023 priorities discussion regarding Atlantic Cod Management.

They will make possible 2023 Council Priorities recommendations to the Council, as appropriate, and discuss other business as necessary.

Although non-emergency issues not contained on the agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency. The public also should be

aware that the meeting will be recorded. Consistent with 16 U.S.C. 1852, a copy of the recording is available upon request.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: October 31, 2022.

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Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

[Docket No.: PTO-P-2022-0025]

Request for Comments on USPTO Initiatives To Ensure the Robustness and Reliability of Patent Rights

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Request for comments; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is extending the comment period for the notice titled "Request for Comments on USPTO Initiatives to Ensure the Robustness and Reliability of Patent Rights" that was published in the **Federal Register** on October 4, 2022. The notice's comment period is extended until February 1, 2023. This will be the only extension of the comment period.

DATES: The USPTO is extending the comment period for the request for comments until February 1, 2023.

ADDRESSES: For reasons of government efficiency, comments must be submitted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at www.regulations.gov. To submit comments via the portal, enter docket number PTO-P-2022-0025 on the homepage and click "Search." The site will provide a search results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find a reference to this document and click on the "Comment" icon, complete the required fields, and enter or attach your comments. Attachments to electronic comments will be accepted as various file types, including Adobe® portable document format (PDF) and Microsoft Word®

format. Because comments will be made available for public inspection, information the submitter does not desire to make public, such as an address or phone number, should not be included in the comments.

Visit the Federal eRulemaking Portal for additional instructions on providing comments via the portal. If electronic submission of comments is not feasible due to a lack of access to a computer and/or the internet, please contact the USPTO using the contact information below (at **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) for special instructions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda Horner, Administrative Patent Judge, at 571-272-9797; June Cohan, Senior Legal Advisor, Office of Patent Legal Administration, Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Patents, at 571-272-7744; or Raul Tamayo, Senior Legal Advisor, Office of Patent Legal Administration, Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Patents, at 571-272-7728.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 4, 2022, the USPTO published a notice titled "Request for Comments on USPTO Initiatives to Ensure the Robustness and Reliability of Patent Rights" to seek initial public comments on proposed initiatives directed at bolstering the robustness and reliability of patents to incentivize and protect new and nonobvious inventions while facilitating the broader dissemination of public knowledge, which will, in turn, promote innovation and competition. See 87 FR 60130. The USPTO is extending the written comment period until February 1, 2023, to ensure that all stakeholders have a sufficient opportunity to submit comments on the questions presented in the October 4, 2022, notice. The USPTO is extending this written comment period only once.

Katherine K. Vidal,

Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 3511-024]

Lower Saranac Hydro, LLC; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory