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  - Deloitte Consulting LLP; New York, NY
  - Deltek, Inc.; Herndon, VA
  - Ducommun Incorporated; Santa Ana, CA
  - DXC Technology Company, Ashburn, VA
  - Eaton Corporation; Cleveland, OH
  - Elbit Systems of America, LLC; Fort Worth, TX
  - Electra.aero; Manassas, VA
  - Embraer Aircraft Holding Inc.; Fort Lauderdale, FL
  - Enjet Aero, LLC; Overland Park, KS
  - Epirus, Inc.; Los Angeles, CA
  - EPS Corporation; Tinton Falls, NJ
  - Ernst & Young LLP; New York, NY
  - Estes Energetics; Penrose, CO
  - ExoAnalytic Solutions Inc.; Foothill Ranch, CA
  - Exosonic, Inc.; Torrance, CA
  - Exostar LLC; Herndon, VA
  - FTG Circuits, Inc.; Chatsworth, CA
  - GE Aerospace; Cincinnati, OH
  - General Atomics Aeronautical Systems, Inc.; Poway, CA
  - General Dynamics Corporation; Reston, VA
  - GKN Aerospace North America; Westlake, TX
  - Google, LLC; Mountain View, CA
  - GSE Dynamics, Inc.; Hauppauge, NY
  - GXA Consulting LLC; Ely, IA
  - HCL America Inc.; Sunnyvale, CA
  - HEICO Corporation; Hollywood, FL
  - Hexcel Corporation; Stamford, CT
  - Honeywell Aerospace; Phoenix, AZ
  - Howmet Aerospace Inc.; Pittsburgh, PA
  - Huntington Ingalls Industries, Inc.; Newport News, VA
  - Infosys; Richardson, TX
  - Interos, Inc.; Arlington, VA
  - Iron Mountain, Inc.; Boston, MA
  - Ivis Technologies, LLC; Phoenix, AZ
  - Jabil Defense & Aerospace Services LLC; St. Petersburg, FL
  - Janes Capital Partners, Inc.; Irvine, CA
  - Joby Aviation, Inc.; Santa Cruz, CA
  - Kaman Corporation; Bloomfield, CT
  - KPMG LLP; New York, NY
  - Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc.; Round Rock, TX
  - L3Harris Technologies, Inc.; Melbourne, FL
  - Leidos, Inc.; Reston, VA
  - LeoLabs, Inc.; Menlo Park, CA
  - LOAR Group; White Plains, NY
  - LS Technologies, LLC; Fairfax, VA
  - MapLarge, Inc.; Atlanta, GA
  - Marotta Controls, Inc.; Montville, NJ
  - Mercury Systems, Inc.; Andover, MA
  - Merlin Labs, Inc.; Boston, MA
  - Microchip Technology Incorporated; Chandler, AZ
  - National Technical Systems, Inc.; Calabasas, CA
  - New England Air Foil Products, Inc.; Farmington, CT
  - Nimbus Services, Inc.; Oro Valley, AZ
  - Nokia US; Murray Hill, NJ
  - Norsk Titanium US Inc.; Plattsburgh, NY
  - Northrop Grumman Corporation; Falls Church, VA
  - Oliver Wyman Inc.; New York, NY
  - O'Neil & Associates, Inc.; Miamisburg, OH
  - Overair, Inc.; Santa Ana, CA
  - Pacific Forge Incorporated; Fontana, CA
  - Parker Aerospace; Simi Valley, CA
  - PCX Aerosystems; Santa Ana, CA
  - Perryman Company; Houston, PA
  - PPG Aerospace-Sierracin Corporation; Sylmar, CA
  - PRIMER AI; Arlington, VA
  - PWC Aerospace & Defense Advisory Services; McLean, VA
  - RCM Technologies, Inc.; Pennsauken, NJ
  - RTX Corporation; Arlington, VA
  - Reaction Engines, Inc.; Denver, CO
  - Relativity Space, Inc.; Long Beach, CA
  - Reliable Robotics Corporation; Mountain View, CA
  - Rhinestahl Corporation; Mason, OH
  - Riveron Consulting, LLC; Dallas, TX
  - Rocket Lab USA, Inc.; Long Beach, CA
  - Rolls-Royce North America Inc.; Reston, VA
  - Salesforce, Inc.; San Francisco, CA
  - SAP America, Inc.; Newtown Square, PA
  - Securitas Critical Infrastructure Services, Inc.; Herndon, VA
  - Shift5; Rosslyn, VA
  - SI2 Technologies; North Billerica, MA
  - Siemens Government Technologies, Inc.; Reston, VA
  - Sierra Nevada Corporation; Sparks, NV
  - SkyThread Corporation; Irvine, CA
  - Slingshot Aerospace, Inc.; Austin, TX
  - Solvay; Alpharetta, GA
  - Spartronics LLC; Williamsport, PA
  - Special Aerospace Services, LLC; Boulder, CO
  - Spirit AeroSystems; Wichita, KS
  - Spright; Gilbert, AZ
  - Stratolaunch LLC; Mojave, CA
  - Supernal LLC; Washington, DC
  - SupplyOn North America, Inc.; Greer, SC
  - Synergetic Technologies Group, Inc.; La Verne, CA
  - Tata Consultancy Services; Edison, NJ
  - Textron Inc.; Providence, RI
  - The Aerospace Corporation, Civil Systems Group; El Segundo, CA
  - The Boeing Company; Chicago, IL
  - The Haskell Company; Jacksonville, FL
  - The Lundquist Group LLC; New York, NY
  - The Padina Group, Inc.; Lancaster, PA
  - Therm, Incorporated; Ithaca, NY
  - TransDigm Group, Inc.; Cleveland, OH
  - Tribus Aerospace Corporation; Poway, CA
  - TriMas Aerospace; Irvine, CA
  - Triumph Group, Inc.; Berwyn, PA
  - True Anomaly; Centennial, CO
  - TTM Technologies Inc.; Santa Ana, CA
  - Umbra Lab, Inc.; Santa Barbara, CA
  - Unitech Composites Inc.; Hayden, ID
  - United Launch Alliance; Centennial, CO
  - Ursa Major Technologies, Inc.; Berthoud, CO
  - Verify, Inc.; Costa Mesa, CA
  - VIASAT, INC.; Carlsbad, CA
  - Virgin Galactic, LLC; Las Cruces, NM
  - Weldaloy Specialty Forgings; Warren, MI
  - Westinghouse Electric Company LLC; Cranberry Township, PA
  - Wisk Aero LLC; Mountain View, CA
  - Woodward, Inc.; Fort Collins, CO
  - World View Enterprises, Inc.; Tucson, AZ
- The effective date of the Certificate is December 26, 2023, the date on which the application to amend was deemed submitted.
- Dated: March 19, 2024.
- Joseph Flynn,**  
*Director, Office of Trade and Economic Analysis, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.*
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- DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**
- [RTID 0648-XD814]**
- Fisheries of the South Atlantic; South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting**
- AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.
- ACTION:** Notice of a Seminar Series presentation via webinar.
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- SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will host a presentation on Fish Acoustic Detection Algorithm Research to Identify Fish.
- DATES:** The webinar presentation will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, from 1 p.m. until 2:30 p.m.
- ADDRESSES:** The presentation will be provided via webinar. The webinar is open to members of the public.

Information, including a link to webinar registration will be posted on the Council's website at: <https://safmc.net/safmc-seminar-series/> as it becomes available.

*Council address:* South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N Charleston, SC 29405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, SAFMC; phone: (843) 571-4366; email: [kim.iverson@safmc.net](mailto:kim.iverson@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Council will host a presentation on Fish Acoustic Detection Algorithm Research (FADAR) by staff from Florida Atlantic University Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute. The presentation will present information on FADAR, a method to identify grouper and other fish potentially spawning or communicating. FADAR has been used to identify Nassau grouper in the South Atlantic region. A question-and-answer session will follow the presentation. Members of the public will have the opportunity to participate in the discussion. The presentation is for informational purposes only and no management actions will be taken.

### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) 3 days prior to the meeting.

**Note:** The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

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

Dated: March 19, 2024.

**Diane M. DeJames-Daly,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Geophysical Surveys Related to Oil and Gas Activities in the Gulf of Mexico

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

**ACTION:** Notice; issuance of Letter of Authorization.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), as amended, its implementing regulations, and NMFS' MMPA Regulations for Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Geophysical Surveys Related to Oil and Gas Activities in the Gulf of Mexico, notification is hereby given that a Letter of Authorization (LOA) has been issued to Shell Offshore Inc. (Shell) for the take of marine mammals incidental to geophysical survey activity in the Gulf of Mexico.

**DATES:** The LOA is effective from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** The LOA, LOA request, and supporting documentation are available online at: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/action/incidental-take-authorization-oil-and-gas-industry-geophysical-survey-activity-gulf-mexico>. In case of problems accessing these documents, please call the contact listed below (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jenna Harlacher, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, (301) 427-8401.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

Sections 101(a)(5)(A) and (D) of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) direct the Secretary of Commerce to allow, upon request, the incidental, but not intentional, taking of small numbers of marine mammals by U.S. citizens who engage in a specified activity (other than commercial fishing) within a specified geographical region if certain findings are made and either regulations are issued or, if the taking is limited to harassment, a notice of a proposed authorization is provided to the public for review.

An authorization for incidental takings shall be granted if NMFS finds that the taking will have a negligible impact on the species or stock(s), will not have an unmitigable adverse impact on the availability of the species or stock(s) for subsistence uses (where relevant), and if the permissible methods of taking and requirements pertaining to the mitigation, monitoring and reporting of such takings are set forth. NMFS has defined "negligible impact" in 50 CFR 216.103 as an impact resulting from the specified activity that cannot be reasonably expected to, and is not reasonably likely to, adversely affect the species or stock through effects on annual rates of recruitment or survival.

Except with respect to certain activities not pertinent here, the MMPA defines "harassment" as any act of pursuit, torment, or annoyance which (i)

has the potential to injure a marine mammal or marine mammal stock in the wild (Level A harassment); or (ii) has the potential to disturb a marine mammal or marine mammal stock in the wild by causing disruption of behavioral patterns, including, but not limited to, migration, sheltering, nursing, breeding, feeding, or sheltering (Level B harassment).

On January 19, 2021, we issued a final rule with regulations to govern the unintentional taking of marine mammals incidental to geophysical survey activities conducted by oil and gas industry operators, and those persons authorized to conduct activities on their behalf (collectively "industry operators"), in U.S. waters of the Gulf of Mexico (GOM) over the course of 5 years (86 FR 5322, January 19, 2021). The rule was based on our findings that the total taking from the specified activities over the 5-year period will have a negligible impact on the affected species or stock(s) of marine mammals and will not have an unmitigable adverse impact on the availability of those species or stocks for subsistence uses. The rule became effective on April 19, 2021.

Our regulations at 50 CFR 217.180 *et seq.* allow for the issuance of LOAs to industry operators for the incidental take of marine mammals during geophysical survey activities and prescribe the permissible methods of taking and other means of effecting the least practicable adverse impact on marine mammal species or stocks and their habitat (often referred to as mitigation), as well as requirements pertaining to the monitoring and reporting of such taking. Under 50 CFR 217.186(e), issuance of an LOA shall be based on a determination that the level of taking will be consistent with the findings made for the total taking allowable under these regulations and a determination that the amount of take authorized under the LOA is of no more than small numbers.

#### Summary of Request and Analysis

Shell plans to conduct a 4D towed seismic ocean bottom node (OBN) survey over Alaminos Canyon Lease Block 857 and the surrounding 42 lease blocks, with approximate water depths ranging from 1,500 to 3,000 meters (m). See Section F of the LOA application for a map of the area. Shell anticipates using one source vessel, towing an airgun array source consisting of 32 elements, with a total volume of 5,110 cubic inches (in<sup>3</sup>). Please see Shell's application for additional detail.

Consistent with the preamble to the final rule, the survey effort proposed by