

Notice was published on November 27, 1995 (60 FR 58334) that an application had been filed by FWS (P45V) for a scientific research/enhancement permit. FWS applied for a scientific research/enhancement permit to continue their authorization to take adult and juvenile, endangered, Sacramento River winter-run chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) associated with supplementation hatchery programs and a captive broodstock program, currently authorized under permit 747. Permit 747, issued to FWS on August 8, 1991, was to expire on December 31, 1995 but was extended by two amendments (61 FR 346, January 4, 1996; 61 FR 16898, April 18, 1996) to expire on November 30, 1996. Due to continued technical concerns with hybridization and imprinting problems, NMFS was unable to complete the necessary actions required to issue a new scientific research/enhancement permit to replace permit 747.

The amendments also established a moratorium on the collection of adult ESA-listed fish for broodstock in 1996 to avoid compromising the genetic integrity of the winter-run chinook salmon population due to the hybridization problems and to avoid a significant drain on the 1996 spawning population if juveniles continue to imprint exclusively on Battle Creek, where FWS's Coleman National Fish Hatchery is located, rather than returning to the mainstem Sacramento River as intended.

NMFS has received notification that FWS would like to withdraw their request for a scientific research/enhancement permit. Prior to the expiration of permit 747, FWS will submit a new scientific research/enhancement permit application that will fully discuss the operational procedures to be implemented to correct the hybridization and imprinting problems.

Issuance of the permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that the permit: (1) Was requested in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the ESA-listed species that is the subject of the permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA and the NMFS regulations governing ESA-listed species permits.

Dated: May 2, 1996.

Margaret Lorenz,
Acting Chief, Endangered Species Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.

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Marine Mammals

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), NOAA, Commerce.

ACTION: Issuance of modification to permit no. 778 (P772#59).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that on [leave blank for date stamp] Permit No. 778, issued to The National Marine Fisheries Service, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, La Jolla, CA 92038, was modified.

ADDRESSES: The modification and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s): Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Suite 13130 Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Director, Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4001); and

Coordinator, Pacific Area Office, Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, 2570 Dole Street, Room 106, Honolulu, HI 96822-2396 (808/973-2987).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject modification has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the provisions of Sections 216.33(d) and (3) of the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR Part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the provisions of Section 222.25 of the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR Part 222).

The permittee is authorized to increase the number of seals authorized to be retagged under the permit from 250 to 500. This modification involves no increase in the originally authorized take of 1200 monk seals.

Dated: April 29, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,
Chief, Permits & Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources.

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Marine Mammals

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Modification no. 2 to scientific research permit No. 840 (P531D).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a request for modification of scientific research permit No. 840 submitted by Mr. Craig Matkin, North Gulf Oceanic Society, Merimac Drive, Mile 10.5 East Road, Homer, AK 99603, has been granted.

ADDRESSES: The modification and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices: Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Suite 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); and Director, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (907/586-7221).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 20, 1996, notice was published in the Federal Register (61 FR 6353) that a modification of permit No. 840, issued May 25, 1993 (59 FR 31370), had been requested by the above-named individual. The requested modification has been granted under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the provisions of §§ 216.33(d) and (e) of the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

Permit No. 840 authorizes biopsy sampling and photo-identification and behavioral studies of killer whales in Prince William Sound and adjacent waters. It has been modified to expand the research to include all Alaska waters.

Dated: April 26, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,
Chief, Permits and Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Proposed Amendments to Chicago Mercantile Exchange Rules 151—Electronic Trading Hours (ETH) Permit Program, and 575—CME/MATIF Cross-Exchange Trading

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed amendments to Chicago Mercantile Exchange rules giving commodity trading advisors access to GLOBEX terminals.

SUMMARY: The Chicago Mercantile Exchange ("CME") has submitted proposed rule amendments which would institute a six-month pilot program to permit commodity trading advisors ("CTAs") to obtain GLOBEX terminals to trade for their proprietary accounts and the accounts that they manage. Acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, the Division of Trading and Markets has determined to publish the CME's proposal for public comment. The Division believes that publication of the CME's proposal is in the public interest and will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 30, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: France M.T. Maca, Special Counsel, Division of Trading and Markets, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington DC 20581. Telephone: (202) 418-5482.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Description of Proposed Rule Amendments

By letter dated April 15, 1996, the CME submitted proposed amendments to CME Rules 151 and 575 pursuant to Section 5a(a)(12) of the Commodity Exchange Act ("Act") and Commission Regulation 1.41(c). Revised proposed amendments were submitted by letter dated April 25, 1996.

On June 25, 1992, the CME began offering its contracts for trading through Globex. Pursuant to CME Rule 151, individuals may obtain an Electronic Trading Hours ("ETH") permit authorizing them to trade CME contracts for their own account on a GLOBEX terminal without having to become CME members.¹ Under the proposed amendments, CTA firms also could obtain an ETH permit.² CTAs holding an ETH permit would be authorized to trade for both their proprietary accounts and the accounts they manage.³ The

proposed amendments make clear that a CTA firm's ETH permit could be transferred among the CTA's employees with the approval of the CME Membership Committee and board of directors, and that all employees of the permit holder who enter orders on GLOBEX terminals would be subject to applicable CME rules.

Rule 575.B currently allows CME members to obtain cross-exchange access to contracts listed on GLOBEX by MATIF, the French futures exchange. The proposed amendments would extend this privilege to all "individuals and firms with access to GLOBEX terminals for trading CME contracts," thus including ETH permit holders.

II. Request for Comments

Comment is requested on any aspect of the Proposal that members of the public believe may raise issues under the Act or Commission regulations.

Copies of the submission and related material are available for inspection at the Office of the Secretariat, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Center, 1155 21st. Street NW, Washington, DC 20581. Copies also may be obtained through the Office of the Secretariat at the above address or by telephoning (202) 418-5100. Some materials may be subject to confidential treatment pursuant to 17 CFR 145.5 or 145.9.

Any person interested in submitting written data, views, or arguments on the proposal should send such comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Center, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581, by the specified date.

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 3, 1996.
Alan L. Seifert,
Deputy Director.

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Advisory Committee on CFTC-State Cooperation; Meeting

This is to give notice, pursuant to Section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, § 10(a), that the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's Advisory Committee on CFTC-State Cooperation will conduct a public meeting on May 21, 1996 in the first floor hearing room (Room 1000) of the Commission's Washington, D.C. Headquarters, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20581. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and last until 12:00 noon. The agenda will consist of the following:

Agenda

A. Part 1

1. Opening Remarks—Acting Chairman John E. Tull, CFTC; Barbara Pedersen Holum, Commissioner, CFTC and Chairman, Advisory Committee on CFTC-State Cooperation.

2. Recently appointed CFTC Director of Enforcement, Geoffrey Aronow, will discuss recent enforcement actions and the future direction for the division.

3. Discussion regarding Telemarketing Scams and the CFTC crackdown on the publishers of commodity newsletters which, although unregistered, are providing investment advice.

4. Discussion of the possibilities for use and abuse of futures trading and the Internet.

B. Part 2

5. Discussion regarding Derivatives and Fraud: What recent high profile cases show about derivatives and what can be done about it.

6. Discussion of other questions of concern to Advisory Committee members.

The Advisory Committee was created by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the purpose of receiving advice and recommendations on matters of joint concern to the States and the Commission arising under the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended. The purposes and objectives of the Advisory Committee on CFTC-State Cooperation are more fully set forth in the Tenth Renewal Charter of the Advisory Committee.

The meeting is open to the public. The Chairman of the Advisory Committee, Commissioner Barbara Pedersen Holum, is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in her judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Any member of the public who wishes to file a written statement with the Advisory Committee should mail a copy of the statement to the attention of: The Advisory Committee on CFTC-State Cooperation c/o Commissioner Barbara Pedersen Holum, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20581, before the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements should also inform Commissioner Holum in writing at the foregoing address at least three business days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made, if time permits, for an oral presentation of no more than five minutes each in duration.

¹ While not required to become CME members, persons applying for an ETH permit must go through a process identical to the membership approval process, and, upon issuance, become subject to applicable CME rules. There are currently ten ETH permit holders.

² The submission dated April 15 would have required CTAs applying for ETH permits to be registered as such with the National Futures Association ("NFA"). The submission dated April 25 deletes the registration requirement "to allow foreign CTAs who are not required to register with the NFA to obtain access to GLOBEX terminals." The submission states that the proposed amendments would not affect any CTA registration requirement.

³ Individuals would continue to be limited to trading solely for their own accounts.