

further from the factory, e.g., many sales are made to distributors and may go through unaffiliated warehouses; in contrast, the CEP LOT is determined by the selling function performed at the point of sale to the affiliated importer and, thus, the CEP LOT is at a less advanced stage of distribution. We therefore examined whether a LOT adjustment or CEP offset may be appropriate. As we have preliminarily determined that VMB sold at only one LOT in the home market, there is no basis for determining a pattern of consistent price differences between LOTs. Moreover, we preliminarily find that there is no home market LOT comparable to the CEP LOT. Further, we do not have record information that would allow us to examine pricing patterns based on VMB's sales of non-subject merchandise, and there are no other respondents or other record information on which such an analysis could be based. Accordingly, because the data available do not provide an appropriate basis for making a LOT adjustment, but the LOT in the home market is at a more advanced stage of distribution than the LOT of the CEP transactions, we preliminarily determine that a CEP offset adjustment is appropriate, in accordance with section 773(a)(7)(B) of the Act.

Currency Conversion

We made currency conversions into U.S. dollars, in accordance with section 773A(a) of the Act, based on the exchange rates in effect on the dates of the U.S. sales, as certified by the Federal Reserve Bank.

Preliminary Results of Review

As a result of our review, we preliminarily determine the weighted-average dumping margin for the period August 1, 2002, through July 31, 2003, to be as follows:

Manufacturer / Exporter	Margin (percent)
V&M do Brasil, S.A.	0.90

The Department will disclose calculations performed in connection with these preliminary results of review within five days of the date of publication of this notice in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b). Interested parties may submit case briefs and/or written comments no later than 30 days after the date of publication of these preliminary results of review. Rebuttal briefs and rebuttals to written comments, limited to issues raised in the case briefs and comments, may be filed no later than 35 days after the date

of publication of this notice. Parties who submit argument in these proceedings are requested to submit with the argument: 1) a statement of the issue, 2) a brief summary of the argument, and (3) a table of authorities. An interested party may request a hearing within 30 days of publication. See section 351.310(c) of the Department's regulations. Any hearing, if requested, will be held 37 days after the date of publication, or the first business day thereafter, unless the Department alters the date. The Department will issue the final results of these preliminary results, including the results of our analysis of the issues raised in any such written comments or at a hearing, within 120 days of publication of these preliminary results.

Assessment Rates

Pursuant to section 351.212(b), the Department calculates an assessment rate for each importer of the subject merchandise. Upon issuance of the final results of this review, if the importer-specific assessment rate calculated in the final results is above *de minimis* (i.e., at or above 0.50 percent), the Department will issue appraisal instructions directly to CBP to assess antidumping duties on appropriate entries by applying the assessment rate to the entered value of the merchandise. For assessment purposes, we calculated an importer-specific assessment rate for the subject merchandise by aggregating the dumping duties due for all U.S. sales to the importer and dividing the amount by the entered value. If these preliminary results are adopted in our final results of review, we will direct CBP to assess the resulting rate against the entered value of the subject merchandise on VMB's affiliated importer's entries during the POR.

Furthermore, the following deposit requirements will be effective upon completion of the final results of this administrative review for all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date of the final results of this administrative review, as provided by section 751(a)(1) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate for the reviewed company will be the rate established in the final results of the administrative review (except that no deposit will be required if the rate is zero or *de minimis*); (2) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, or the original investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be that established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (3) if neither the exporter nor the manufacturer is a firm

covered in this review, any previous reviews, or the LTFV investigation, the cash deposit rate will be 124.95 percent, the "all others" rate established in the LTFV investigation. See *Antidumping Duty Order and Amended Final Determination: Certain Small Diameter Seamless Carbon and Alloy Steel Standard, Line and Pressure Pipe from Brazil*, 60 FR 39707 (August 3, 1995).

This notice also serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

We are issuing and publishing this notice in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: August 30, 2004.

James J. Jochum,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 083104C]

Endangered and Threatened Species; Permit for Take of Anadromous Fish

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Michael Clarke, City of San Luis Obispo, California, has been issued a permit to take the South Central California Coast Evolutionarily Significant Unit (ESU) of steelhead trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) within the San Luis Obispo Creek watershed for the purpose of scientific research.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office: NOAA Fisheries, Southwest Region, Protected Resources Division, 501 W. Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802; phone (562) 980-4045; fax (562) 980-4027.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anthony Spina at phone number (562)

980-4045 or e-mail:
anthony.spina@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 14, 2004, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (69 FR 32992) that Michael Clarke had submitted to NOAA Fisheries an application for a permit to conduct research for scientific purposes on the aforementioned ESU of steelhead trout. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531–1543) and NOAA Fisheries' regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 222–226). The permit authorizes Michael Clarke to take the South Central California Coast ESU of steelhead trout and tissue collection from this species during a 2-year study (2004 and 2005) of the abundance and distribution of juvenile steelhead in the San Luis Obispo Creek watershed. The permit authorizes an annual non-lethal take of 1620 juvenile steelhead, and annual collection and possession of up to 100 juvenile steelhead tissue samples, with the total possession for both years not exceeding 200 tissue samples. The permit will expire on November 1, 2005.

Dated: August 31, 2004.

Phil Williams,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 083104D]

Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

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

ACTION: Applications for four scientific research permits (1203, 1498, 1502, 1504).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that NMFS has received four scientific research permit applications relating to Pacific salmon and steelhead. All of the proposed research is intended to increase knowledge of species listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and to help guide management and conservation efforts.

DATES: Comments or requests for a public hearing on the applications must be received at the appropriate address or

fax number (see ADDRESSES) no later than 5 p.m. Pacific daylight-saving time on October 7, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on the applications should be sent to Protected Resources Division, NMFS, F/NWO3, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232–2737. Comments may also be sent via fax to 503–230–5435 or by e-mail to resapps.nwr@NOAA.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Garth Griffin, Portland, OR (ph.: 503–231–2005, Fax: 503–230–5435, e-mail: Garth.Griffin@noaa.gov). Permit application instructions are available at <http://www.nwr.noaa.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Species Covered in this Notice

The following listed species and evolutionarily significant units (ESUs) are covered in this notice:

Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*): endangered naturally produced and artificially propagated upper Columbia River (UCR); threatened naturally produced and artificially propagated SR spring/summer (spr/sum); threatened naturally produced and artificially propagated Puget Sound (PS).

Chum salmon (*O. keta*): threatened Hood Canal summer-run (HC).

Steelhead (*O. mykiss*): threatened middle Columbia River (MCR); endangered UCR.

Authority

Scientific research permits are issued in accordance with Section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR 222–226). NMFS issues permits/modifications based on findings that such permits and modifications: (1) are applied for in good faith; (2) if granted and exercised, would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species that are the subject of the permit; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies of section 2 of the ESA. The authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits.

Anyone requesting a hearing on an application listed in this notice should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on that application would be appropriate (see **ADDRESSES**). The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA.

Applications Received

Permit 1203 Renewal

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) is seeking a 5–

year research permit to annually take adult and juvenile UCR spring chinook salmon and steelhead in several tributaries to the upper Columbia River. The purposes of the research are to (1) assess the status (and production levels) of several salmonid stocks in the upper Columbia River and (2) evaluate salmonid habitat in the region to determine what effects various land use activities may have on it particularly hydraulic projects. The research would benefit fish by providing data on the survival of migrating juvenile salmonids, the abundance of adults on spawning grounds, the annual success of spawners, and the relative abundance of salmonids in the available habitat. That data would be used to help guide restoration and recovery activities as well as decrease the potential impact of certain land- and water use actions.

The WDFW intends to use electrofishing equipment, seines, dip nets, and hook-and-line angling to capture the fish. Most of the fish would be measured and released, but some may also be marked or tissue-sampled or both. The WDFW does not intend to kill any of the fish being captured, but a small percentage may die as an unintended result of the research.

Permit 1498

The Port of Bellingham (POB) is requesting a 3–year research permit to annually capture, handle, and release adult and juvenile PS chinook salmon and HC chum salmon. The research would take place in Bellingham Bay, Puget Sound, Washington. The purpose of the research is to determine the extent of fish use in shallow subtidal nearshore habitats. The POB intends to determine the extent to which salmonids use a newly created mitigating site. The research would benefit the fish by determining distribution and providing information that may help POB and others improve fish habitat near boatyards. The POB proposes to capture the fish using a purse seine or bottom trawl seine. The captured fish would be anesthetized, weighed and measured, allowed to recover, and released. The POB does not intend to kill any of the fish being captured, but a small percentage may die as an unintended result of the activities.

Permit 1502

The U.S. Forest Service (USFS) is requesting a 5–year research permit to annually capture, handle, and release juvenile UCR spring chinook and steelhead in the Wenatchee River drainage, Washington. The purposes of the research are to (1) monitor