

Management Plan (FMP). The New England Fishery Management Council prepared the FMP pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA). The regulations implementing the FMP are specified at 50 CFR part 648 Subpart F. The NE multispecies DAS leasing requirements at § 648.82(k) form the basis for this collection of information.

The NE Multispecies Days-at-Sea (DAS) Leasing Program was implemented in 2004 as a result of Amendment 13 (69 FR 22906) which substantially reduced the number of DAS available for the NE multispecies vessels. To mitigate some of the adverse impact associated with the reduction in DAS, the NE Multispecies Leasing Program was developed to enable vessels to increase their revenue by either leasing additional DAS from another vessel to increase their participation on the fishery, or by leasing their unused allocated DAS to another vessel.

NMFS requests DAS leasing application information in order to process and track requests from allocation holders to transfer DAS to another vessel. This information, upon receipt, results in an increasingly more efficient and accurate database for management and monitoring of fisheries of the Northeastern U.S. EEZ. The DAS leasing downgrade information is collected to allow vessel owners that are eligible to lease NE Multispecies DAS a one-time downgrade in their baseline specifications to their current vessel specifications. This one-time downgrade provides greater flexibility for vessel to lease their DAS.

**Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit organizations.

**Frequency:** On occasion, one time.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Required to obtain or maintain benefits.

**OMB Desk Officer:**

*OIRA\_Submission@omb.eop.gov.*

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at *Jjessup@doc.gov*).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to *OIRA\_Submission@omb.eop.gov*.

Dated: October 2, 2012.

**Gwellnar Banks,**

*Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

**Agency:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

**Title:** Puget Sound Recreational Shellfish Harvesting Survey.

**OMB Control Number:** None.

**Form Number(s):** NA.

**Type of Request:** Regular submission (request for a new information collection).

**Number of Respondents:** 1,974

**Average Hours per Response:** Initial telephone contact, 3 minutes; survey, 30 minutes.

**Burden Hours:** 538.

**Needs and Uses:** This request is for a new collection of information.

The Puget Sound estuary provides one of the most valuable shellfish habitats in the Pacific Northwest. Shellfish are important economically, ecologically, and socially to the Puget Sound basin. While shellfish bed closures have decreased area-wide, persistent closures continue in certain locations, affecting local growers and restricting commercial and recreational harvest opportunities. The Puget Sound Partnership (Partnership), a Washington State agency established to facilitate the conservation and restoration of Puget Sound, has set a priority to reduce the risks of shellfish growing area closures and adverse effects on human health. The Partnership's Action Agenda, the blueprint for action to restore and protect Puget Sound, has set a goal for a net increase of 10,800 harvestable shellfish acres by 2020.

In support of the Partnership's pursuit of this goal, the Northwest Fisheries Science Center is undertaking an economics research project to assess the behavior of individual shellfish harvesters in response to the opening and closing of individual shellfish beaches for human health reasons, and how these actions affect the value of shellfish harvesting. The Puget Sound Recreational Shellfish Harvesting

Project (PSRSHP) will provide critical economic data related to recreational shellfish harvesting. More specifically, the PSRSHP will collect data needed to assess (1) the socioeconomic characteristics of recreational shellfish harvesting participants; (2) the economic value of access to Puget Sound beaches for recreational shellfish harvesting through statistical estimation of models; and (3) the potential changes in these values stemming from possible changes in management policies related to human health that affect the status of particular shellfish harvesting areas.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households.

**Frequency:** One time.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Voluntary.

**OMB Desk Officer:**

*OIRA\_Submission@omb.eop.gov.*

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Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to *OIRA\_Submission@omb.eop.gov*.

Dated: October 3, 2012.

**Gwellnar Banks,**

*Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Performance Review Board Membership

**AGENCY:** Economics and Statistics Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Below is a listing of individuals who are eligible to serve on the Performance Review Board (PRB) in accordance with the Economics and Statistics Administration's Senior Executive Service and Senior Professional Performance Management Systems:

Kenneth A. Arnold  
William G. Bostic, Jr.  
Joanne Buenzli Crane  
Justin R. Ehrenwerth  
Ron S. Jarmin  
Theodore A. Johnson  
Steven J. Jost

Enrique Lamas  
J. Steven Landefeld  
Jennifer Madans  
Brian E. McGrath  
Thomas L. Mesenbourg, Jr.  
Brian C. Moyer  
Nancy A. Potok  
Adam S. Wilczewski  
Frank A. Vitrano  
Katherine K. Wallman

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gail Smith, 301-763-3727.

Dated: September 19, 2012.

**Kenneth A. Arnold,**

*Associate Under Secretary for Management  
Chair, Performance Review Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of the Census

#### Census Advisory Committees

**AGENCY:** Bureau of the Census,  
Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) is giving notice of a meeting of the National Advisory Committee on Racial, Ethnic, and Other Populations. The Committee will address issues related to the American Community Survey, Mixed-Mode Data Collection, and early 2020 Census planning. The Committee will meet in a plenary session on October 25-26, 2012. Last-minute changes to the schedule are possible, which could prevent giving advance public notice of schedule adjustments.

**DATES:** October 25-26, 2012. On October 25, the meeting will begin at approximately 9 a.m. and end at approximately 5:15 p.m. On October 26, the meeting will begin at approximately 9 a.m. and end at approximately 2:15 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, Maryland 20746.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeri Green, [Jeri.Green@census.gov](mailto:Jeri.Green@census.gov), Committee Liaison Officer, Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 8H182, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233, telephone 301-763-6590. For TTY callers, please use the Federal Relay Service 1-800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Advisory Committee on Racial, Ethnic, and Other Populations was established this year and comprises up to thirty-two members. The Committee provides a channel of communication between outside experts and the Census Bureau. The Committee provides advice about economic, housing, demographic, socioeconomic, technological, operational variables, etc., affecting the cost, accuracy and implementation of Census Bureau programs and surveys. The Committee also provides an outside-user perspective and advice on research and early design plans for the 2020 Census, the American Community Survey, and other related programs particularly as they pertain to increasing census participation. The Committee assists the Census Bureau in understanding ways that census data can best be disseminated to diverse racial and ethnic populations and other users. The Committee is established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Title 5, United States Code, Appendix 2).

All meetings are open to the public. A brief period will be set aside at the meeting for public comment on October 26. However, individuals with extensive questions or statements must submit them in writing to Ms. Jeri Green at least three days before the meeting. If you plan to attend the meeting, please register by Monday, October 22, 2012. You may access the online registration using the following link: [http://www.regonline.com/nac\\_oct2012\\_meeting](http://www.regonline.com/nac_oct2012_meeting). Seating is available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis.

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities.

Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Committee Liaison Officer as soon as possible, preferably two weeks prior to the meeting.

Due to increased security, and for access to the meeting, please call 301-763-9906 upon arrival at the Census Bureau on the day of the meeting. A photo ID must be presented in order to receive your visitor's badge. Visitors are not allowed beyond the first floor.

Dated: October 1, 2012.

**Thomas L. Mesenbourg, Jr.,**

*Acting Director, Bureau of the Census.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Economic Development Administration

#### Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

**AGENCY:** Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice and Opportunity for Public Comment.

Pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2341 *et seq.*), the Economic Development Administration (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance from the firms listed below.

Accordingly, EDA has initiated investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each of these firms contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firm's workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

#### LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE

[09/25/2012 through 10/02/2012]

Firm name	Firm address	Date accepted for investigation	Product(s)
Industrial Tube Corporation ...	297 Valley Road, Somerville, NJ, 08876	9/27/2012	Manufacturer of precision brass, cooper, bronze, and aluminum tubing and tubular parts.
Sytheon, Ltd. ....	315 Wootton Street, Unit N, Boonton, NJ 07005.	10/2/2012	Manufacturer of cosmetic ingredients for the personal care industry.

Any party having a substantial interest in these proceedings may

request a public hearing on the matter. A written request for a hearing must be

submitted to the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms Division, Room