

make sub-allocations of pollock to each individual vessel owner in the cooperative.

◆ With respect to the fisheries off Alaska, the AFA Program is a suite of management measures that fall into four general regulatory categories:

◆ Limit access into the fishing and processing sectors of the BSAI pollock fishery and that allocate pollock to such sectors (50 CFR 679.64).

◆ Govern the formation and operation of fishery cooperatives in the BSAI pollock fishery, including filing of cooperative contracts (50 CFR 679.61 and 679.62).

◆ Protection of other fisheries from spillover effects from the AFA (50 CFR 679.64).

◆ Govern catch measurement and monitoring in the BSAI pollock fishery, including filing of annual reports and completing and submitting inshore catcher vessel pollock cooperative catch reports (50 CFR 679.63).

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Annually, on occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits, voluntary.

This information collection request may be viewed at reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

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 or fax to (202) 395-5806.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Innovative Technologies and Manufacturing Loan Guarantee Program

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information

collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before February 10, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to EDA, Innovative Technologies and Manufacturing Loan Guarantee Program, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 71004, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet to EDA at LGPForms@eda.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to EDA at LGPForms@eda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The mission of the Economic Development Administration (EDA) is to lead the Federal economic agenda by promoting innovation and competitiveness, preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy. In order to effectively administer and monitor its economic development assistance programs, EDA collects certain information from applications for, and recipients of, EDA investment assistance.

Form ED-1919 Borrower's Information Form

Form ED-1919 is part of the application process. The purpose of this form is to collect identifying information about the applicant, loan request, indebtedness, information about the principals, information about current or previous government financing, and certain other disclosures. The information also facilitates background checks as authorized by EDA regulations.

Form ED-1920 Lender's Application

Form ED-1920 is part of the application process. The purpose of this form is to collect identifying information regarding the lender, loan terms, use of proceeds, and other information such as the innovation qualification, as well as eligibility information regarding the applicant and use of proceeds. This entire form is to be completed, signed and dated by the Lender prior to submission of the loan guarantee request to EDA.

Form ED-172 Account Transcripts

Form ED-172 is part of the application process. The purpose of this form is to collect current loan transaction data when the EDA loan proceeds are used for refinancing.

Form ED-912 Statement of Personal History

Form ED-912 is part of the application process. The purpose of this form is to collect identifying information about the applicant that will allow EDA to perform a background check when necessary. This form is only required when the applicant has a criminal offense record that warrants further research into the borrower's character.

Form ED-413 Personal Financial Statement

Form ED-413 is part of the application process. The purpose of this form is to collect personal financial information such as assets, liabilities, stocks, and real estate for any person providing a guarantee on the loan.

Form ED-1050 Settlement Sheet

Form ED-1050 is part of the closing and disbursement process. The purpose of this form is to collect transaction data from the lender at initial funds disbursement and serve as a notification to EDA when the loan is being disbursed. This form also serves as an agreement that all disbursements be used for eligible purposes outlined in 13 CFR 311.

Form ED-159 Fee Disclosure and Compensation Agreement

Form ED-159 is part of the closing and disbursement process. The purpose of this form is to collect transactional data from the lender or borrower for any fees paid to an agent, advisor, attorney, broker, or other third party for services in connection with EDA ITM in excess of the regular lending process. This form also serves as an agreement that the borrower may not be charged unreasonably high fees, not be charged based on application decision, nor be charged for services unrelated to EDA ITM.

Form ED-1502 Quarterly Report

Form ED-1502 is part of the servicing process. The purpose of this form is to collect monthly transactional data from the lender in order for EDA to track principal and interest (P&I) payments between the borrower and lender. This form is to be submitted by the lender to EDA with an on-going servicing fee.

Form ED-2237 Approval Action Modification Form

Form ED-2237 is part of the servicing process. The purpose of this form is to notify EDA in the event of a modification to the loan that does not change EDA's risk level. This form also serves as an application form for

modifications to a loan that change EDA's risk level, in which case the lender will need approval from EDA before the modification can be made.

Form ED-1149 Transcript of Account

Form ED-1149 is part of the termination process. The purpose of this form is to collect transactional data from the lender on the current status of the loan at the time the lender requests for EDA to purchase the guarantee.

II. Method of Collection

Paper and electronic submissions.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0610-XXXX.

Form Number(s): ED-1919, ED-1920, ED-172, ED-912, ED-413, ED-1050, ED-159, ED-1502, ED-2237, ED-1149.

Type of Review: New information collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: ED-1919: 100, ED-1920: 100, ED-172: 10, ED-912: 10, ED-413: 50, ED-1050: 40, ED-159: 5, ED-1502: 180, ED-2237: 30, ED-1149: 6.

Estimated Time per Response: ED-1919: 9 minutes, ED-1920: 24 minutes, ED-172: 10 minutes, ED-912: 15 minutes, ED-413: 90 minutes, ED-1050: 15 minutes, ED-159: 5 minutes, ED-1502: 60 minutes, ED-2237: 5 minutes, ED-1149: 60 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: ED-1919: 15, ED-1920: 40, ED-172: 1.67, ED-912: 2.5, ED-413: 75, ED-1050: 10, ED-159: 0.42, ED-1502: 180, ED-2237: 2.5, ED-1149: 6.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; General Provisions for Domestic Fisheries; Application for Exempted Fishing Permits

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

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Regional Administrator for Sustainable Fisheries, Northeast Region, NMFS, has made a preliminary determination that an exempted fishing permit application contains all of the required information and warrants further consideration. This Exempted Fishing Permit would exempt a commercial fishing vessel from mesh size requirements and butterfish possession limits to test experimental codend mesh configurations as a means to reduce juvenile butterfish bycatch in the directed butterfish fishery. Cornell University Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County, NY, will be conducting this research. Regulations under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act require publication of this notification to provide interested parties the opportunity to comment on applications for proposed exempted fishing permits.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 29, 2014.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments by any of the following methods:

- *Email:* NMFS.GAR.EFP@noaa.gov. Include in the subject line "Comments on CCE Butterfish Selectivity EFP."
- *Mail:* John K. Bullard, Regional Administrator, NMFS, NE Regional Office, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark the outside of the envelope "Comments on CCE Butterfish Selectivity EFP."
- *Fax:* (978) 281-9135.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shannah Jaburek, Fishery Management Specialist, 978-282-8456, shannah.jaburek@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE)

submitted a complete application for an Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) on October 3, 2014, to conduct commercial fishing activities that the regulations would otherwise restrict. The EFP would exempt one vessel from the minimum mesh size and butterfish possession limit restrictions in the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fishery Management Plan. The possession limit exemptions are necessary because the project is using a 3-inch (7.62-cm) mesh control codend used in the targeted longfin squid fishery, which triggers a butterfish possession limit of less than 2500 lb (1134 kg). They are using this as the control in order to retain smaller size butterfish to more effectively determine the ability of the two experimental codends to reduce the catch of small butterfish. Further, due to the number of replicates needed to test the experimental gear, CCE wants to be able to retain butterfish catch and avoid wasteful discarding.

CCE received funding from the Commercial Fisheries Research Foundation to conduct a study that would compare butterfish catch in otter trawls with different codend mesh configurations in an attempt to reduce the catch of juvenile butterfish. The net used in the study will be a 420 X 16-cm, 4 seam trawl with a 114-ft (34.75-m) cookie sweep suited for vessels with horsepower in the range of 700 hp to 755 hp. The codends will be compared using a trouser trawl configuration. One leg of the trawl will have a control 6-cm diamond mesh codend typical of the longfin squid fishery, and the other leg will have either an 8-cm square mesh codend, or an 8-cm diamond mesh turned 90 degrees (T-90). One vessel contracted by CCE will conduct five days of fishing, which is representative of normal commercial fishing trips for butterfish. Tow length would be limited to 30 min per tow, and researchers plan on conducting eight tows per day, with additional tows if time permits, with a minimum total of 40 tows (20 tows per experimental mesh). Within each day the sides of the codend will be switched to randomize sampling across both legs of the trouser trawl. Catch for each codend will be kept separate on deck and will be processed following standard NMFS survey methods. Total butterfish actual weight and a minimum of 200 random lengths will be recorded per codend per tow. Total weight of all species in each codend per tow will be obtained by either actual weight or sub-sampling. Researchers propose to conduct the trip during the period December 2014 through March 2015.