case, 3.46 to 66.44 percent in the Korea case, and 12.99 to 35.80 percent in the Spain case.

Initiation of Cost Investigations

Pursuant to section 773(b) of the Act, the petitioners alleged that sales in the home market of Canada, India, Korea, and Taiwan were made at prices below the cost of production (COP) and, accordingly, requested that the Department conduct a country-wide sales-below-COP investigation in Canada, India, Korea, and Taiwan. The Statement of Administrative Action (''SAA''), submitted to Congress in connection with the interpretation and application of the Uruguay Round Agreements, states that an allegation of sales below COP need not be specific to individual exporters or producers. SAA, H.R. Doc. No. 316, 103d Cong., 2d Sess., at 833 (1994). The SAA states at 833 that ''Commerce will consider allegations of below-cost sales in the aggregate for a foreign country, just as Commerce currently considers allegations of sales at less than fair value on a country-wide basis for purposes of initiating an antidumping investigation.''

The statute at section 773(b) states that the Department must have ''reasonable grounds to believe or suspect'' that below-cost sales have occurred before initiating such an investigation. ''Reasonable grounds'' exist when an interested party provides specific factual information on costs and prices, observed or constructed, indicating that sales in the foreign market in question are at below-cost prices. Based upon the comparison of the adjusted prices from the petition of the foreign like product in Canada, India, Korea, and Taiwan to the COP calculated in the petition (and adjusted in the Canada, India, and Taiwan cases as described in Memoranda to File dated April 16, 1998), we find ''reasonable grounds to believe or suspect'' that sales of these foreign like products were made below their respective COP within the meaning of section 773(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Act. Accordingly, the Department is initiating the requested country-wide cost investigation for Canada, India, Korea, and Taiwan.

Fair Value Comparisons

Based on the data provided by the petitioners, there is reason to believe that imports of SSRW from Canada, India, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan are being, or are likely to be, sold at less than fair value.

Allegations and Evidence of Material Injury and Causation

The petition alleges that the U.S. industry producing the domestic like product is being materially injured, and is threatened with material injury, by reason of the individual and cumulated imports of the subject merchandise sold at less than NV. The allegations of injury and causation are supported by relevant evidence including business proprietary data from the petitioning firms and U.S. Customs import data. The Department assessed the allegations and supporting evidence regarding material injury and causation and determined that these allegations are sufficiently supported by accurate and adequate evidence and meet the statutory requirements for initiation.

Initiation of Antidumping Investigations

We have examined the petition on SSRW and have found that it meets the requirements of section 732 of the Act. Therefore, we are initiating antidumping duty investigations to determine whether imports of SSRW from Canada, India, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value. Unless extended, we will make our preliminary determinations for the antidumping duty investigations by September 23, 1998.

Distribution of Copies of the Petitions

In accordance with section 732(b)(3)(A) of the Act, a copy of the public version of each petition has been provided to the representatives of the governments of Canada, India, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan. We will attempt to provide a copy of the public version of each petition to each exporter named in the petition (as appropriate).

International Trade Commission Notification

We have notified the ITC of our initiations, as required by section 732(d) of the Act.

Preliminary Determinations by the ITC

The ITC will determine by June 1, 1998, whether there is a reasonable indication that imports of SSRW from Canada, India, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan are causing material injury, or threatening to cause material injury, to a U.S. industry. Negative ITC determinations will result in the particular investigations being terminated; otherwise, the investigations will proceed according to statutory and regulatory time limits.

Dated: May 6, 1998.

Richard W. Moreland,

Acting Assistant Secretary, Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

University of Wisconsin-Madison; Notice of Decision on Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instrument

This decision is made pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Docket Number: 97–106. *Applicant:* University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI 53706–1490. *Instrument:* Length Controller and Force Transducer System, Models 308B and 403A. *Manufacturer:* Aurora Scientific, Canada. *Intended Use:* See notice at 63 FR 5504, February 3, 1998.

Comments: None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as it is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides measurement of the contractile force of muscle cells by mechanically deforming the length of the muscle fiber. The National Institutes of Health advised April 27, 1998 that (1) this capability is pertinent to the applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument for the applicant's intended use.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument which is being manufactured in the United States.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (DOC) has submitted 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: Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Boater/Diver Survey.

Agency Number: N/A.

OMB Number: N/A.

Type of Request: New Collection.

Burden: 650 hours.

Number of Respondents: 3,400.

Avg. Hours Per Response: Ranges between 10 and 15 minutes depending on the survey.

Needs and Uses: This will be survey of boating and diving user groups at marinas from Santa Barbara through Los Angeles, California. The survey of users will collect demographic information on Sanctuary users, determine their knowledge about and attitudes toward the Sanctuary, how they receive information, and their level of interest in current or future educational programs offered by the Sanctuary. The information will be used to help develop education programs and to provide baseline data on users and uses of Sanctuary resources to help in the review and re-write of the Sanctuary management plan. Business owners will also have an opportunity to provide information that will be incorporated into a directory of available services.

Affected Public: Individuals, businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: One-time.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker (202) 395–3897.

Copies of the above collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482–3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of the publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: May 6, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

TITLE: Western Alaska Community Development Quota Program.

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, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 13, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Sally Bibb, Sustainable Fisheries Division, NMFS Alaska Region, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, Alaska 99802, telephone (907) 586–7389.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is requesting renewal of OMB approval of the information collection requirements supporting the Western Alaska Community Development Quota (CDQ) Program. These requirements are found in 50 CFR 679. The purpose of the CDQ program is to allocate a portion of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands fishing quotas for groundfish, halibut, crab, and prohibited species to Western Alaska communities to assist those communities in starting and supporting regionally-based commercial seafood or other fishery-related businesses.

Communities wishing to obtain a CDQ allocation must prepare Community Development Plans. Upon receiving an allocation, CDQ participants must submit reports and file any necessary amendments to their plan. Specific requirements are shown in the estimates of response times below.

In addition to existing requirements being renewed, the clearance request will contain four proposed additions or revisions to the requirements. These are a new CDQ Delivery Report, the collection of additional information in the CDQ Catch Report, a requirement for prior notice to observers, and the collection of additional information in the Community Development Plans (CDPs).

Three approved requirements are proposed for removal—the CDQ Check-In/Check-Out Report, the CDQ Permit, and submission of Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) fish tickets. The CDQ permit will be replaced by a request for an inspection of the observer sampling station (a subset of the original permit information requirement). These three elements are in the current information collection clearance because they were contained in a proposed rule published in the **Federal Register** on August 15, 1997 (62 FR 43865). However, NMFS has either removed these elements or revised them under a different element in the final rule.

II. Method of Collection

Respondents would comply with requirements set forth in 50 CFR 679. Forms are used for some reports.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648–0269.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business and other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 333.

Estimated Time Per Response: 520 hours per response for preparation of the Community Development Plans, 40 hours per response for the annual report, 20 hours per response for the annual budget report, 8 hours per response for the annual budget reconciliation reports, 8 hours per response for substantial amendments, 4 hours per response for technical amendments, 2 hours per response for preparation of the request for an inspection of the observer sampling station, 1 hour per response for the CDQ delivery report, 30 minutes per response for a CDQ catch report, 15 minutes per response for printing and retaining scale printouts by shoreside processors, 2 minutes per response for prior notices to the observer of offloading of CDQ catch at the shoreside plant, 2 minutes per response for prior notices to the observer of CDQ hauls or sets on observed vessels, 8 hours per response for bin certification documents, 30 minutes per response for changes to the list of CDQ halibut and sablefish cardholders, and 1 hour per response for changes to the CDP's list of vessels for halibut and sablefish CDQ.