

III. Data

OMB Number: 0640-0002.

Type of Review: Regular.

Burden: 5,000.

Affected Public: Individuals, State or local government, Federal agencies, and profit and non-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 5,000.

Estimated Total Annual Cost Per Respondent: \$0—no capital expenditures are necessary to respond.

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.

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.

Dated: June 22, 1998.

Wilson D. Haigler,

Chief, Management Control Division, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****Solicitation for Sea Grant Review Panelists**

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Sea Grant Review Panel.

ACTION: Notice of Solicitation for Sea Grant Review Panelists.

SUMMARY: This notice responds to Section 209(c) of the National Sea Grant College Program Act, 33 U.S.C. 1128, which requires the Secretary of Commerce to solicit nominations for membership on the Sea Grant Review Panel at least once a year. This advisory

committee provides advice on the implementation of the National Sea Grant College Program.

DATES: Resumes should be sent to the address specified and must be received on or before July 27, 1998.

ADDRESS: Dr. Ronald C. Baird, Director; National Sea Grant College Program; 1315 East-West Highway, Room 11716; Silver Spring, Maryland 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Ronald Baird of the National Sea Grant College Program at the address given above; telephone (301) 713-2448 or fax number (301) 713-1031.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 209 of the Act establishes a Sea Grant Review Panel to advise the Secretary of Commerce, the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, and the Director of the National Sea Grant College Program on the implementation of the Sea Grant Program. The panel provides advice of such matters as:

(a) The Sea Grant Fellowship Program;

(b) Applications or proposals for, and performance under, grants and contracts award under section 205 and section 205 of the Sea Grant Program Improvement Act of 1976 as amended (33 U.S.C. 1124);

(c) The designation and operation of sea grant colleges and sea grant institutes; and the operation of the sea grant program;

(d) The formulation and application of the planning guidelines and priorities under section 204(a) and (c)(1) (33 U.S.C. 1123 (a) and (c)(1)); and

(e) Such other matters as the Secretary refers to the panel for review and advice.

The Panel is to consist of 15 voting members composed as follows: Not less than eight of the voting members of the panel should be individuals who, by reason of knowledge, experience, or training, are especially qualified in one or more of the disciplines and fields included in marine science. The other voting members shall be individuals who by reason of knowledge, experience, or training, are especially qualified in, or representative of, education, extension service, state government, industry, economics, planning, or any other activity which is appropriate to, and important for, any effort to enhance the understanding, assessment, development, utilization, or conservation of ocean and coastal resources. No individual is eligible to be a voting member of the panel if the individual is (a) the director of a sea grant college, sea grant regional consortium, or sea grant program, (b) an applicant for or beneficiary (as

determined by the Secretary) of any grant or contract under Section 205 (33 U.S.C. 1124) or (c) a full-time officer or employee of the United States. The Director of the National sea grant College Program and one Director of a sea grant Program also serve as non-voting members. Positions on the panel will become vacant during 1998. Candidates who are selected to fill these vacancies will be appointed for a 3-year term.

Dated: June 22, 1998.

Elbert W. Friday, Jr.,

Assistant Administrator for Oceanic and Atmospheric Research.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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Vessel Registration and Fisheries Information System

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

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Sustainable Fisheries Act, passed in October 1996, added various amendments to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act). Section 401 of the Magnuson-Stevens Act requires the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) to deliver an implementation plan for a national fishing vessel registration and fisheries information system (System) in a Report to Congress. NMFS has developed, in consultation with interested parties, a draft of the implementation plan.

DATES: Written comments on the implementation plan must be received on or before August 25, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments concerning this notice to: Fisheries Statistics and Economic Division (F/ST1), National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910; (301) 713-2328; fax (301) 713-4137. The implementation plan is available for public comment by mail from the address here, or in electronic form (pdf format) via the world wide web at <http://www.nmfs.gov/sfa>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Holliday, (301) 713-2328.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 401 of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, amended in 1996, directs the Secretary