DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[Docket No. 021028257–2257–01]

Announcement of Additional Funding Opportunities From FY04 Announcement of Opportunity

AGENCY: Office of Ocean Exploration, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: NOAA's Office of Ocean Exploration (OE) publishes this notice to announce that an application submitted in response to the NOAA Ocean Exploration Initiative Fiscal Year (FY) 2003 is being considered for funding with monies available through the FY04 solicitation. The rationale for this is as follows. The proposal under consideration for funding was well reviewed in FY03 and met the mission and goals of this office. However, funds and other essential resources were not available in FY03 to conduct the work proposed. Because the work was so well matched to the OE program goals, a programmatic decision was made to revisit and recommend funding for this proposal with FY04 funds.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Randi Neff, OE Program Grants Coordinator, NOAA Office of Ocean Exploration, 301–713–9444, facsimile 301–713–4252, or submit inquiries via e-mail to the Frequently Asked Questions address: *oar.oe.FAQ@noaa.gov.* A copy of this notice will be posted on the Ocean Explorer Website, which can be found at *http://oceanexplorer.noaa.gov.*

Dated: May 24, 2004.

Louisa Koch,

Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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[I.D. 051804A]

Marine Mammals; File Nos. 226–1752 and 116–1742

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

ACTION: Issuance of permits.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the following public display permits have been issued: Theater of the Sea, 84721 Overseas Highway, Islamorada, FL 33036 (File No. 226–1752) for the importation of one bottlenose dolphin (*Tursiops truncatus*) and Sea World, Inc., 7007 Sea World Drive, Orlando, FL 32821 (File No. 116–1742) for the importation of one beluga whale (*Delphinapterus leucas*).

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713–2289; fax (301)713–0376;

File No. 116–1742: Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802–4213; phone (562)980–4001; fax (562)980–4018; and

File No. 226–1752: Southeast Region, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702–2432; phone (727)570–5301; fax (727)570–5320.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Skidmore or Jill Lewandowski, (301)713–2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 16, 2004, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (69 FR 20602) that a request for a public display permit to import one adult, male bottlenose dolphin had been submitted by Theater of the Sea and a request for a public display permit to import one adult, female beluga whale had been submitted by Sea World, Inc. The requested permits have been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

Dated: May 21, 2004.

Stephen L. Leathery,

Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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[I.D. 051704G]

Endangered Species; File No. 1486

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

ACTION: Receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Harold M. Brundage, Environmental Research and Consulting, Inc., 112 Commons Court, Chadds Ford, PA 19317, has applied in due form for a permit to take shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*) for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or e-mail comments must be received on or before June 28, 2004.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713–2289; fax (301)713–0376; and

Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930–2298; phone (978)281–9200; fax (978)281–9371.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301)713–0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period.

Comments may also be submitted by e-mail. The mailbox address for providing email comments is *NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov*. Include in the subject line of the e-mail comment the following document identifier: File No. 1475.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Jefferies or Amy Sloan, (301)713–2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Endangered Species Act