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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

PRT–020848

Applicant: Frank H. Cooley, Jasper, TX 75951.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damalisca pygargus dorcas*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

The public is invited to comment on the following application for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application was submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing marine mammals (50 CFR 18).

PRT–021018

Applicant: Thomas J. Hammond, Bloomfield Hills, MI.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Western Hudson Bay polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

PRT–014704

Applicant: Toledo Zoological Gardens, Toledo, OH.

Permit Type: Import permit.

Name and Number of Animals: Polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) 0.1.

Summary of Activity To Be Authorized: The applicant requests an amendment to their

permit number MA014704–0 issued 09/10/1999 for the import of a captive born female polar bear from Germany. The applicant wishes to substitute a female captive born polar bear from Monde Sauvage Safari Park, Aywaille, Belgium, for this permit.

Source of Marine Mammals: Born in captivity on 11/10/1998, Aywaille, Belgium.

Period of Activity: Up to 5 years, if issued.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Office of Management Authority is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of the complete application, or requests for a public hearing on this application should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, VA 22203, telephone 703/358–2104 or fax 703/358–2281 and must be received within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

Dated: December 27, 1999.

Kristen Nelson,

Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

Application Notice Describing the Areas of Interest and Establishing the Closing Date for Receipt of Applications Under the Biological Resource Division Brucellosis Program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000

AGENCY: Department of the Interior, U.S. Geological Survey.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Applications are invited for a research projected on the improvements in ballistic delivery systems for brucellosis vaccination of free-ranging elk and bison of the Greater Yellowstone Area.

The purpose of this project is to develop methods of ballistic delivery that improve the distance, reliability, ease, and/or rapidity of Brucella vaccine parenteral delivery. Such methods will need to take into account vaccine composition and the targeted age and sex of bison and/or elk.

Applications may be submitted by educational institutions, private firms, private foundations, individuals, and agencies of state and local governments.

ADDRESSES: The project announcement is expected to be available on or about January 11, 2000. You may obtain a copy of Announcement No. 00CRPA0001 from the USGS contracts and Grants Information Site at <http://www.usgs.gov/contracts/nehpr/> or by writing Grace Oakeley, U.S. Geological Survey, Branch of Acquisition and Federal Assistance, P.O. Box 25046, MS 204B, Denver, Colorado 80225, or by fax (303–236–1710).

DATES: The closing date for receipt of applications will be on or about February 12, 2000. The actual closing date will be specified in Announcement No. 00CRPA0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Roffe, Associate Regional Chief Biologist, U.S. Geological Survey, BRD, FWP Bldg., Montana State University, 1400 S. 19th St., Bozeman, Montana 59717.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Authority for this program is contained in the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 (16 U.S.C. 742(a)–742d, 742e–742j–2) and the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978, Public Law 95–616 (16 U.S.C. 753a). The Office of Management and Budget Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 15.808.

Carol Aten,

Acting Chief Biologist.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Information Collection Submission to OMB for Reinstatement Under Paperwork Reduction Act

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, as amended (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that an information collection request was submitted to the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs for review and extension under 5 CFR 1320.10. The first notice requesting comments about OMB Control Number 1076–0135, "Public Law 102–477 Reporting," was published in the **Federal Register** on October 1, 1999 (64 FR 53403–53404).

DATES: Written comments must be received by February 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for Department of the Interior, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503. A copy should be sent to Lynn Forcia, Office of Economic Development, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street, NW, Mail Stop 4640-MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or additional copies of the information collection instructions and the October 1, 1999 **Federal Register** Notice (64 FR 53403-53404) should be directed to Lynn Forcia, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS 4640-MIB, Washington, DC 20240 and (202) 219-5270. (This is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A Report System for the Public Law 102-477 Demonstration Project expires January 31, 2000. This is a request for an extension of a previously approved information collection request.

Abstract: The information collection is needed to document satisfactory compliance with statutory requirements of the various integrated programs. Public Law 102-477 authorizes tribal governments to integrate federally funded employment, training and related services programs into a single, coordinated, comprehensive service delivery plan. Funding agencies include the Department of the Interior, Department of Labor and the Department of Health and Human Services. The Bureau of Indian Affairs is statutorily required to serve as the lead agency. Section II of this Act requires that the Secretary of the Interior make available a single universal report format which shall be used by a tribal government to report on integrated activities and expenditures undertaken. The Bureau of Indian Affairs shares the information collected from these reports with the Department of Labor and Department of Health and Human Services.

Method of Collection: Tribal governments voluntarily participating in Public Law 102-477 are required to annually complete two single page, one-sided report forms and one narrative report, which includes four pages of instruction. They replace 166 pages of instruction. They replace 166 pages of instructions and applications representing three different agencies and twelve different funded but related programs. We estimate a 95 percent

reduction in reporting, which is consistent with the Paperwork Reduction Act and goals of the National Performance Review. The statistical and narrative report will be used to demonstrate how well a plan was executed in comparison to proposed goals. The financial status report will be used to track cash flow, and will allow an analysis of activities versus expenditures and expenditures to approved budget. It is a slightly modified SF 269-A (short form). These report forms and narrative are limited but satisfy the Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Labor and the Department of the Interior. They reduce the burden on tribal governments by consolidating data collection for employment, training, education, child care and related service programs. The reports are due annually. These forms have been developed within a partnership between tribes and representatives of all three Federal agencies, to standardize terms and definitions, eliminate duplication and reduce frequency of collection.

Respondents: Tribes participating in Public Law 102-477 will report annually. We currently anticipate there will be 37 grantees participating in the program as of January 1, 2000.

Burden: We estimate that completion of the reporting requirements will require 10 hours per year to complete for each grantee, times 37 grants equals 370 burden hours.

Public Comments and Responses

All comments were considered in preparing BIA's response. The comments received relating to the information collection and OMB's responses are summarized below. The Office of Management and Budget verbally recommended that we add questions to the reporting forms in order to provide additional information for the Department of Labor's new Welfare to Work program.

The Public Law 102-477 Tribal Work Group formed a subcommittee to review all Public Law 102-477 report forms including the OMB requested additions. The subcommittee included representatives from the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indians, Kodiak Area Native Association, the Shoshone Bannock Tribes, the Cook Inlet Tribal Council, the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe and the Indian and Native American Employment and Training Coalition. The subcommittee responded to the three recommendations from the Office of Management and Budget as follows: two suggestions for the Program Statistical report form, and one sentence for the Narrative portion of the report:

1. "Welfare to Work recipients entered unsubsidized employment."

Tribal subcommittee response: In the program consolidation authorized under Public Law 102-477 grantees no longer identify participants in each activity separately because the funding sources are not identified for each participant. Therefore, the subcommittee recommended the following addition to the form, and we have added: "Long term TANF recipients entered unsubsidized employment."

2. "Placements with duration of 180 days or more."

Tribal subcommittee response: The subcommittee stated that tracking participants for 180 days is very costly in terms of additional time and expense that could otherwise be spent toward finding unsubsidized employment for individuals. Therefore, the subcommittee recommended that grantees track clients for 90 days instead of 180 days. Tracking participants for 90 days would also be consistent with existing Department of Labor, JTPA requirements and because the participants continue to remain eligible for services during those 90 days. Therefore, we have decided to add the following question to the form: "Placements with duration of 90 days or more."

3. "The narrative should show the extent of participants in any Welfare to Work activities; e.g., the number of participants and what activities were included."

Tribal subcommittee response: The subcommittee agreed with the Office of Management and Budget that it was appropriate to add one sentence to the narrative instruction as follows: "The narrative should show the extent of participants in any Welfare to Work activities; e.g., the number of participants and what activities were included."

The Bureau of Indian Affairs also received comments from five Public Law 102-477 grantees and one other interested party, stating that the existing format has allowed tribes to spend more providing services to clients and less time completing report forms. Grantees stated that initiation of a Public Law 102-477 program resulted in the integration of several programs and resulted in the elimination of distinction between related tribal employment and training participants based on the source of funds for the services. The grantees stated they wanted no additional information collection elements and requested a face-to-face meeting with OMB prior to making any changes to the existing forms. We did not receive any written

comments from any of the other participating Federal agencies. We have incorporated the additions recommended by the Public Law 102-477 subcommittee because we believe the additional information is necessary to provide the Department of Labor and the Office of Management and Budget with the information necessary to adequately manage and evaluate the Welfare to Work program. The collection of the additional information is the minimum amount of information needed to accomplish this goal and to limit information collection and reporting requirements for grantee tribes, many with limited resources.

OMB is required to make a decision concerning this information collection request between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment will receive the best consideration by OMB if it is submitted early during this comment period. Written comments and recommendations concerning this information collection should be sent directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: December 22, 1999.

Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC).

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), Agencies are required to publish a Notice in the **Federal Register** notifying the public that the Agency has prepared an information collection request for OMB review and approval and has requested public review and comment on the submission. OPIC published its first **Federal Register** Notice on this information collection request on October 20, 1999, in 64 FR #202, p. 56514, at which time a 60-calendar day comment period was announced. This comment period ended December 20, 1999. No comments were received in response to this Notice.

This information collection submission has now been submitted to

OMB for review. Comments are again being solicited on the need for the information, its practical utility, the accuracy of the Agency's burden estimate, and on ways to minimize the reporting burden, including automated collection techniques and uses of other forms of technology. The proposed form under review is summarized below.

DATES: Comments must be received within 30 calendar days of this Notice.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the subject form and the request for review submitted to OMB may be obtained from the Agency Submitting Officer. Comments on the form should be submitted to the OMB Reviewer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

OPIC Agency Submitting Officer: Carol Brock, Records Manager, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 1100 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20527; 202/336-8563.

OMB Reviewer: David Rostker, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, 202/395-3897.

Summary of Form Under Review

Type of Request: Approval of a revised form combining two existing forms, one for U.S. and one for foreign sponsors: OPIC 129 (OMB 3420-0018), which expires 1/31/2000, and OPIC 130 (OMB 3420-0017) which expires 2/29/2000, respectively.

Title: Sponsor Disclosure Report.

Form Number: OPIC-129.

Frequency of Use: Once per significant investor per project.

Type of Respondents: Business or other institutions and individuals.

Standard Industrial Classification Codes: All.

Description of Affected Public: U.S. companies or citizens investing overseas.

Reporting Hours: 6 hours per project.

Number of Responses: 122.5 per year.

Authority for Information Collection: Sections 231, 234(b) and (c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended.

Abstract (Needs and Uses): The Sponsor Disclosure Report is the principal document used by OPIC to gather information from project sponsors on whether a project might harm the U.S., and describes sponsor activities with the U.S. Government and other information for the underwriting and analysis of a project. It also provides notification of credit investigations that will be performed.

Dated: January 3, 2000.

Ralph Kaiser,

*Senior Counsel for Administration,
Department of Legal Affairs.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

December 30, 1999.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of the ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor, Departmental Clearance Officer, Ira Mills ((202) 219-5096, ext. 143) or by E-Mail at Mills-Ira@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: Desk Officer for Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ((202) 395-7316), within 30 days of the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: Department of Labor, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration.

Title: Summary Plan Description Requirements under ERISA.

OMB Numbers: 1210-0039.