

in the interference areas in accordance with the Operational Procedure, paragraph 2.B.1., of Eurocopter Alert Service Bulletin (ASB) No. 71A001, dated May 12, 2003, for Model EC 130 B4 helicopters, or Eurocopter ASB No. 71.00.16, dated May 12, 2003, for Model AS 350 B3 helicopters.

(1) If the depth of the deepest wear mark is less than or equal to 0.05 mm (0.002 in), apply the maintenance procedure stated in the Engine Maintenance Manual.

(2) If the depth of the deepest wear mark is more than 0.05 mm (0.002 in) and less than or equal to 0.2 mm (0.008 in), replace the fuel transfer line within the next 50 hours TIS or within one month, whichever occurs first.

(3) If the depth of the deepest wear mark is more than 0.2 mm (0.008 in), replace the fuel transfer line before further flight.

(b) Inspect the air exhaust duct located between the bleed valve of the engine starting system and the engine fuel filter for a hole in the interference areas in accordance with the Operational Procedure, paragraph 2.B.1., of Eurocopter ASB No. 71A001, dated May 12, 2003, for Model EC 130 B4 helicopters, or Eurocopter ASB No. 71.00.16, dated May 12, 2003, for Model AS 350 B3 helicopters. If there is a hole in the air exhaust duct, replace the air exhaust duct within one month or before performing any engine flushing operation, whichever occurs first.

(c) Measure the clearances between the fuel transfer line and the air exhaust duct located between the bleed valve of the engine starting system and the engine fuel filter in the interference areas in accordance with the Operational Procedure, paragraph 2.B.1., of Eurocopter ASB No. 71A001, dated May 12, 2003, for Model EC 130 B4 helicopters, or Eurocopter ASB No. 71.00.16, dated May 12, 2003, for Model AS 350 B3 helicopters. If the clearance is less than 20 mm (0.8 in) in interference Area A or less than 12 mm (0.5 in) in interference Area B, reposition the air exhaust duct in accordance with the Operational Procedure, paragraph 2.B.2., of Eurocopter ASB No. 71A001, dated May 12, 2003, for Model EC 130 B4 helicopters, or Eurocopter ASB No. 71.00.16, dated May 12, 2003, for Model AS 350 B3 helicopters.

(d) To request a different method of compliance or a different compliance time for this AD, follow the procedures in 14 CFR 39.19. Contact the Manager, Safety Management Office, Rotorcraft Directorate, FAA, for information about previously approved alternative methods of compliance.

**Note:** The subject of this AD is addressed in Direction Generale De L'Aviation Civile (France) AD 2003-208(A) and AD 2003-209(A), both dated May 28, 2003.

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**Kim Smith,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

#### 29 CFR Part 1926

[Docket No. S-030]

RIN 1218-AC01

#### Safety Standards for Cranes and Derricks

**AGENCY:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), U.S. Department of Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of Negotiated Rulemaking Committee meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) announces the seventh meeting of the Crane and Derrick Negotiated Rulemaking Advisory Committee (C-DAC). The Committee will review summary notes of the prior meeting, review draft regulatory text and continue to address substantive issues. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** The meetings will be on February 4th, 5th and 6th, 2004. The meetings will begin each day at 8:30 am. Individuals with disabilities wishing to attend should contact Luz Delacruz by telephone at 202-693-2020 or by fax at 202-693-1689 to obtain appropriate accommodations no later than Friday, January 23, 2003. The C-DAC meeting is expected to last two and a half days.

**ADDRESSES:** The February meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210 and will be in conference room N-3437 A, B, C.

Written comments to the Committee may be submitted in any of three ways: by mail, by fax, or by email. Please include "Docket No. S-030" on all submissions.

By mail, submit three (3) copies to: OSHA Docket Office, Docket No. S-030, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room N-2625, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 693-2350. Note that receipt of comments submitted by mail may be delayed by several weeks.

By fax, written comments that are 10 pages or fewer may be transmitted to the OSHA Docket Office at fax number (202) 693-1648.

Electronically, comments may be submitted through OSHA's Webpage at <http://ecomments.osha.gov>. Please note that you may not attach materials such as studies or journal articles to your electronic comments. If you wish to include such materials, you must submit three copies to the OSHA Docket

Office at the address listed above. When submitting such materials to the OSHA Docket Office, clearly identify your electronic comments by name, date, subject, and Docket Number, so that we can attach the materials to your electronic comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Buchet, Office of Construction Standards and Guidance, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3468, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; Telephone: (202) 693-2345.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

On July 16, 2002, OSHA published a notice of intent to establish a negotiated rulemaking committee, requesting comments and nominations for membership (Volume 67 of the **Federal Register**, page 46612). In subsequent notices the Department of Labor announced the establishment of the Committee (Volume 68 of the **Federal Register**, page 35172, June 12, 2003), requested comments on a list of proposed members (68 FR 9036, February 27, 2003), published a final membership list (68 FR 39877, July 3, 2003), and announced the first meeting, (68 FR 39880, July 3, 2003), which was held July 30–August 1, 2003. The Agency published notices announcing the subsequent meetings.

##### II. Agenda

The Committee will review draft materials prepared by the Agency on issues discussed at prior meetings and address additional issues. While the pace of the discussions at the C-DAC meetings varies, C-DAC anticipates discussing the following items at the February meeting:

1. Pile Driving Equipment (Scope)
2. Verification criteria for structural adequacy of crane components
3. Overhead and gantry cranes
4. Floating cranes/cranes on barges.

##### III. Anticipated Key Issues for Negotiation

OSHA anticipates that key issues to be addressed at future C-DAC meetings will include:

##### *Being Discussed*

1. Scope
2. Definitions
3. Assembly & Disassembly (including reeving/rigging)
4. Operation Procedures
5. Signals
6. Operator Qualifications, Training & Testing

7. Inspections
8. Modifications
9. Keeping Clear of the Load
10. Fall Protection
  - a. ladder access and cat walks
  - b. fall arrest
11. Hoisting Personnel
12. Machine Guarding
13. Qualifications of Maintenance & Repair Workers
14. Work Zone Control
15. Wire Rope
16. Responsibility for environmental considerations, site conditions and ground conditions
17. Operating near Power Lines and related safety devices
18. Derricks
19. Free Fall/Power Down
20. Critical Lifts and Engineered Lifts
21. Signals (standard methods)—B30.5

#### *Additional Subjects (Anticipated Order)*

1. Verification criteria for structural adequacy of crane components and stability testing requirements
2. Overhead & Gantry Cranes
3. Floating Cranes, Cranes on Barges
4. Safety Devices: Fail-safe, warning, secondary brake system, and other safety-related devices/technology
5. Tower Cranes
6. Operator Cab Criteria (roll over, visibility, overhead protection)
7. Limited Requirements for cranes with a rated capacity of 2,000 pounds or less

#### **IV. Public Participation**

All interested parties are invited to attend these public meetings at the times and places indicated above. Note, however, that a government issued photo ID card (State or Federal) is required for entry into the Department of Labor building. No advance registration is required. The public must enter the Department of Labor for the February meeting through the 3rd and C Street, NW entrance. Seating will be available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. Individuals with disabilities wishing to attend should contact Luz Delacruz by telephone at 202-693-2020 or by fax at 202-693-1689 to obtain appropriate accommodations no later than Friday, January 23, 2003. Each C-DAC meeting is expected to last two and a half days.

In addition, members of the general public may request an opportunity to make oral presentations to the Committee. The Facilitator has the authority to decide to what extent oral presentations by members of the public may be permitted at the meeting. Oral presentations will be limited to statements of fact and views, and shall not include any questioning of the

committee members or other participants.

Minutes of the meetings and materials prepared for the Committee will be available for public inspection at the OSHA Docket Office, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20210; Telephone (202) 693-2350. Minutes will also be available on the OSHA Docket webpage: <http://dockets.osha.gov/>.

The Facilitator, Susan Podziba, can be reached at Susan Podziba and Associates, 21 Orchard Road, Brookline, MA 02445; telephone (617) 738-5320, fax (617) 738-6911.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 31st day of December, 2003.

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*Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

### **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

#### **50 CFR Part 622**

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**RIN 0648-AP95**

#### **Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Rebuilding Plan for Red Grouper in the Gulf of Mexico**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of a Secretarial amendment; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS, acting through the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council), has prepared Secretarial Amendment 1 to the Reef Fish Fishery Management Plan (Secretarial Amendment 1) that would establish a 10-year stock rebuilding plan for red grouper in the Gulf of Mexico. Secretarial Amendment 1 would also establish biological reference points and stock status determination criteria for red grouper consistent with the requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act). In addition, Secretarial Amendment 1 would establish measures designed to protect other shallow-water grouper, deep-water grouper, and tilefishes from any potential shifts in

fishing mortality that might occur as a result of the red grouper rebuilding plan. The intended effect of Secretarial Amendment 1 is to end overfishing and rebuild the red grouper resource consistent with the requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Act.

**DATES:** Comments must be received no later than 4:30 p.m., eastern time, on March 8, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on Secretarial Amendment 1 must be sent to Phil Steele, Southeast Regional Office, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive N., St. Petersburg, FL 33702. Comments may also be sent via fax to 727-570-5583. Comments will not be accepted if submitted via e-mail or Internet.

Copies of Secretarial Amendment 1, which includes an environmental assessment, an initial regulatory flexibility analysis, and a regulatory impact review are available from NMFS at the address above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Phil Steele, telephone: 727-570-5305, fax: 727-570-5583, e-mail: [Phil.Steele@noaa.gov](mailto:Phil.Steele@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The reef fish fishery in the exclusive economic zone of the Gulf of Mexico is managed under the Fishery Management Plan for the Reef Fish Resources of the Gulf of Mexico (FMP). The FMP was prepared by the Council and is implemented under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Act by regulations at 50 CFR part 622.

#### **Background**

In October 2000, NMFS declared that the Gulf stock of red grouper had been overfished and was undergoing overfishing. This determination was based on the results of a 1999 red grouper stock assessment and subsequent analysis by the NMFS Southeast Fisheries Science Center and the Council's Reef Fish Stock Assessment Panel. Subsequently, a 2002 stock assessment found that, although overfishing is still occurring, the stock is in an improved condition and is no longer overfished. However, the stock has not yet reached the biomass level that is capable of producing MSY on a continuing basis ( $B_{MSY}$ ). Therefore, measures to end overfishing and a rebuilding plan to restore the stock to the  $B_{MSY}$  level in 10 years or less are still necessary.

#### **Provisions of Secretarial Amendment 1**

Secretarial Amendment 1 proposes to establish a 10-year red grouper rebuilding plan, structured in 3-year intervals, that would end overfishing