

creeping bentgrass. The environmental document will be made available for public comment. After reviewing and evaluating the comments on the environmental document and other data and information, APHIS will furnish a response to the petitioner, either approving the petition in whole or in part, or denying the petition. APHIS will then publish a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing the regulatory status of the Monsanto/Scotts creeping bentgrass event ASR368 and the availability of APHIS' written decision.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1622n and 7701-7772; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.3.

Done in Washington, DC, this 29th day of December, 2003.

Kevin Shea,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: North Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee, Kamiah, Idaho, USDA, Forest Service.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393) the Nez Perce and Clearwater National Forests' North Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee will meet Friday, February 6, 2004, in Kooskia, Idaho for a business meeting. The meeting is open to the public.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The business meeting on February 6, at the IOOF Hall, 102 N. Main Street, Kooskia, ID, begins at 10 a.m. (p.s.t.). Agenda topics will include discussion of potential projects. A public forum will begin at 2:30 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ihor Mereszczak, Staff Officer and Designated Federal Officer, at (208) 935-2513.

Dated: December 20, 2003.

Ihor Mereszczak,

Acting Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Wrangell-Petersburg Reservoir Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Wrangell-Petersburg Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet from 1 p.m. until 5:15 p.m. (or until the conclusion of public testimony) on Friday, January 23, and from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m., Saturday, January 24, 2004, in Petersburg, Alaska. The purpose of this meeting is to review, discuss and potentially recommend for funding proposals received pursuant to Title II, Public Law 106-393, H.R. 2389, the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, also called the "Payments to States" Act. Public testimony regarding the proposals will also be taken.

DATES: The meeting will be held commencing at 1 p.m. on Friday, January 23, through 1 p.m., Saturday, January 24, 2004.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Petersburg Lutheran Church, Holy Cross House, 407 Fram Street, Petersburg, Alaska.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Chip Weber, Wrangell District Ranger, P.O. Box 51, Wrangell, AK 99929, phone (907) 874-2323, e-mail cweber@fs.fed.us, or Patty Grantham, Petersburg District Ranger, P.O. Box 1328, Petersburg, AK 99833, phone (907) 772-3871, e-mail pagrantham@fs.fed.us. For further information on RAC history, operations, and the applications process, a Web site is available at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r10/ro/payments>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will focus on the review and discussion of proposals received by the RAC for funding under Title II of the Payments to States legislation (Pub. L. 106-393), particularly proposals that were of high interest to the committee, but lacked enough information for the committee to act. New information will be introduced concerning these proposals. No new proposals (initial reading) will be discussed at this meeting. The committee may make recommendations for project funding at this meeting. A field trip to review proposals proximate to the Petersburg, Alaska, area may take place. The meeting is open to the public. Should members of the public wish to participate in the potential field trip, please contact Patty Grantham or Chip

Weber at the above noted addresses/e-mails/telephone numbers. Public input opportunity will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the committee at that time.

Dated: December 22, 2003.

Dennis Neill,

Acting Forest Supervisor.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, January 9, 2004, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 624 9th Street, NW., room 540, Washington, DC 20425.

STATUS:

Agenda

- I. Approval of Agenda
- II. Approval of Minutes of December 12, 2003 Meeting
- III. Announcements
- IV. Staff Director's Report
- V. State Advisory Committee Report: Coping with Police Misconduct in West Virginia (West Virginia)
- VI. Program Planning
- VII. Future Agenda Items

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Les Jin, Press and Communications (202) 376-7700.

Debra A. Carr,

Deputy General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[I.D. 122903D]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce 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: Northeast Region Sea Scallop Exemption Requirements.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: 0648-0416.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 2,994.

Number of Respondents: 267.

Average Hours Per Response: 10 minutes for a daily observer report; 2 minutes for notifications 5 days before month of fishing or 5 days before leaving on a trip; and 5 seconds for an automated VMS position report.

Needs and Uses: Sea scallop fishermen wishing to fish in exemption areas are subject to certain vessel monitoring system (VMS) and communication requirements. This submission requests extension of the currently approved collection for these scallop programs.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations; individuals or households; and not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: On occasion, monthly, hourly, and daily.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.
OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov). Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number 202-395-7285, or David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: December 23, 2003.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[I.D. 122903B]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce 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: Southeast Region Office Socioeconomic Survey of Gulf Shrimp Fishermen.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: 0648-0476.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 558.

Number of Respondents: 500.

Average Hours Per Response: 1 hour and 7 minutes.

Needs and Uses: NOAA Fisheries has not collected this data for the Gulf shrimp fishery since 1992. Current economic and social data is needed for the Gulf shrimp fishery as a whole in order to accurately assess the positive and/or negative impacts of federal rules and regulations. The assessments are mandated under Executive Order 12866, the Regulatory Flexibility Act, Magnuson-Stevens/Sustainable Fisheries Acts (and the National Standards attached thereto), and the Endangered Species Act, among others. This survey will update this data, and is intended to be a recurring annual survey.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897. Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov). Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number 202-395-7285, or David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: December 23, 2003.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

[Docket No. 03-BIS-01]

Action Affecting Export Privileges; Mahmoud Haghsheno Kashani

In the Matter of:

Mahmoud Haghsheno Kashani, also known as Mike Kashani, acting as an officer of Zimex, Inc.

5557 Northrise Road
Mississauga, Ontario
Canada L5M 6E2,
Respondent.

Order

The Bureau of Industry and Security, United States Department of Commerce ("BIS"), having initiated an administrative proceeding against Mahmoud Haghsheno Kashani, also known as Mike Kashani, acting as an officer of Zimex, Inc. ("Kashani"), pursuant to Section 13(c) of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C. app. sections 2401-2420 (2000)) (the "Act"),¹ and the Export Administration Regulations (currently codified at 15 CFR Parts 730-774 (2003)) ("Regulations"),² based on the amended charging letter issued to Kashani that alleged that Kashani violated the Regulations on three occasions. Specifically, the charges are:

1. 15 CFR 764.2(c)—Attempted Export of Replacement Parts to Iran Without the Required License: On or about July 8, 1998, Kashani attempted to export replacement parts for multiple gas analyzers that were subject to the Regulations and to the Iranian Transaction Regulations from the United States through Germany to Iran without prior authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of Treasury, in violation of Section 746.7 of the Regulations.

2. 15 CFR 764.2(e)—Acting with Knowledge of a Violation: In connection with the attempted export referenced above, between on or about March 9, 1998 and July 8, 1998, Kashani ordered and attempted to transfer the commodities from the United States through Germany to Iran knowing that the goods would be exported from the United States in violation of the Regulations.

3. 15 CFR 764.2(h)—Evasion—Making False Statements to Evade the Regulations: In connection with the

¹ From August 21, 1994 through November 12, 2000, the Act was in lapse. During that period, the President, through Executive Order 12924, which had been extended by successive Presidential Notices, the last of which was August 3, 2000 (3 CFR, 2000 Comp. 397 (2001)), continued the Regulations in effect under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. sections 1701-1706 (2000)) (IEEPA). On November 13, 2000, the Act was reauthorized and it remained in effect through August 20, 2001. Since August 21, 2001, the Act has been in lapse and the President, through Executive Order 13222 of August 17, 2001 (3 C.F.R., 2001 Comp. 783 (2002)), as extended by the Notice of August 7, 2003 (68 FR 47833, August 11, 2003)), has continued the Regulations in effect under IEEPA.

² The Regulations are currently codified in the Code of Federal Regulations at 15 CFR Parts 730-774 (2003). The Regulations governing the violations at issue are found in the 1998 version of the Code of Federal Regulations. These Regulations are codified at 15 CFR Parts 730-774 (1998) and, to the degree to which they pertain to this matter, are substantially the same as the 2003 version.