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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Division of Management Authority, telephone 703/358-2104.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Endangered Species

The public is invited to comment on the following application(s) 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.*). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of these complete applications should be submitted to the Director (address above).

PRT-064172

Applicant: Exotic Feline Breeding Compound, Inc., Rosamond CA.

The applicant request a permit to export one male captive-born jaguar (*Panthera onca*) to the Singapore Zoological Gardens, Singapore, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through captive propagation and conservations education.

PRT-068724

Applicant: Albert Schweizer, Reistertown, MD.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus 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.

PRT-068750

Applicant: Wayne M. Knapp, Syracuse, NY.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontetok (*Damaliscus 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.

PRT-068778

Applicant: Samuel G. Spicer, Dallas, TX.

The applicant request a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus 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.

PRT-068868

Applicant: Thomas U. Dudley, Upperville, VA.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus 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.

PRT-063832

Applicant: Racine Zoological Gardens, Racine, WI.

The applicant request a permit to re-export and return a captive born tiger (*Panthera tigris*) to the Parken Zoo, Eskilstuna, Sweden, for the purpose of enhancement of the species through conservation education. This animal is being returned to the facility from which it originated.

PRT-06892

Applicant: National Geographic Society, Washington, DC.

The applicant requests a permit to import biological samples from wild specimens of American crocodile (*Crocoylus acutus*), taken from the Tarcoles River, Costa Rica, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through scientific research.

PRT-057398

Applicant: The Zoological Society of San Diego, San Diego, CA.

The applicant requests a permit to import wild live specimens and biological samples of California condors (*Gymnogyps californianus*) for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through reintroduction to Sierra San Pedro Martir, Baja California, Mexico. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a five year period. Permittee must annually apply for renewal.

PRT-068198

Applicant: Zoological Society of San Diego, San Diego Wild Animal Park, Escondido, CA.

The applicant request a permit to export one male captive born greater Indian one-horned rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros unicornis*) to the Warsaw Zoo, Poland, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through captive propagation.

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respond to a collection of information unless it displays a current valid OMB control number.

Dated: March 7, 2003.

Monica Farris,

Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Receipt of Applications for Permit

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: The public is invited to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species and/or marine mammals.

DATES: Written data, comments or requests must be received by April 30, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax 703/358-2281.

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Endangered Species

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PRT-030791

Applicant: Scovill Zoo, Decatur, IL

The applicant requests a permit to import two male captive-born cheetahs (*Acinonyx jubatus*) from De Wildt Cheetah and Wildlife Centre, De Wildt, South Africa for the purpose of

enhancement of the species through conservation education.

PRT-765658, 809334, 068882, 068908

Applicant: Ferdinand F. and Anton F. Hantig, dba Fercos, Las Vegas, NV

The applicant requests permits to export captive born tigers (*Panthera tigris*) and leopards (*Panthera pardus*) to worldwide locations for the purpose of enhancement of the species through conservation education. The permit numbers and animals are: 765658, Indy; 809334, Sarina; 068882, Rama; and 068908, Astar. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a three-year period and the import of any potential progeny born while overseas.

PRT-066667

Applicant: Thomas D. Klug, Watertown, WI

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus 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.

PRT-068965

Applicant: SEA—EL CARMEN, Houston, TX

The applicant requests a permit to import biological samples obtained from Hawksbill sea turtles (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) collected in the wild in Mexico, for the purpose of enhancement of the species through scientific research. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

PRT-054484, 065144, 065145, 065146, 065147, 065148, 065149

Applicant: Tarzan Zerbini Circus, Webb City, MO

The applicant requests permits to re-export wild and captive born Asian elephants (*Elephas maximus*) to worldwide locations for the purpose of enhancement of the species through conservation education. The permit numbers and animals are: 054484, Luke; 065144, Jan; 065145, Roxy; 065146, Schell; 065147, Peggy; 065148, Bunny; and 065149, Marie. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a three-year period and the import of any potential progeny born while overseas.

Marine Mammals

The public is invited to comment on the following application(s) for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine

mammals. The application(s) 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 part 18). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of the complete applications or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be submitted to the Director (address above). 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.

PRT-069177

Applicant: Felix F. Gardina, Ghent, NY

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport hunted from the Southern Beaufort Sea polar bear population in Canada for personal use.

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Dated: March 14, 2003.

Michael S. Moore,

Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered Species Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for a scientific research permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). We (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service) solicit review and comment from local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public on the following permit requests.

DATES: Comments on these permit applications must be received on or before April 30, 2003, to receive our consideration.

ADDRESSES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 NE. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181 (fax: 503-231-6243). Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 20 days of the date of publication of this notice to the address above (telephone: 503-231-2063). Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when requesting copies of documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Permit No. TE-832717

Applicant: Rod Dossey, Encinitas, California.

The permittee requests an amendment to remove/reduce to possession (collect) the *Arctostaphylos glandulosa* ssp. *crassifolia* (Del Mar manzanita), *Chorizanthe orcuttiana* (Orcutt's spineflower), *Ambrosia pumila* (San Diego ambrosia), and *Fremontodendron mexicanum* (Mexican flannelbush) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE-067992

Applicant: Daniel Dugan, Morro Bay, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey) the Morro shoulderband snail (*Helminthoglypta walkeriana*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-067990

Applicant: Barbie Dugan, Morro Bay, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey) the Morro shoulderband snail (*Helminthoglypta walkeriana*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.