

the Service's Draft Land-Based Wind Energy Guidelines.

**DATES:** The meeting will take place on April 27, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Time. If you are a member of the public wishing to attend, you must register online no later than April 20, 2011 (see "Meeting Participation Information" under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**).

**ADDRESSES:** *Meeting Location:* U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 530, Arlington, VA 22203 (see "Meeting Location Information" under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rachel London, Division of Habitat and Resource Conservation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, (703) 358-2161.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On March 13, 2007, the Department of the Interior published a notice of establishment of the Committee in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 11373). The Committee's purpose is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) on developing effective measures to avoid or minimize impacts to wildlife and their habitats related to land-based wind energy facilities. All Committee members serve without compensation. In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.), a copy of the Committee's charter is filed with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration; Committee on Environment and Public Works, U.S. Senate; Committee on Natural Resources, U.S. House of Representatives; and the Library of Congress. The Secretary appointed 22 individuals to the Committee on October 24, 2007, representing the varied interests associated with wind energy development and its potential impacts to wildlife species and their habitats. The Committee provided its recommendations to the Secretary on March 4, 2010.

**Draft Land-Based Wind Energy Guidelines**

The Draft Land-Based Wind Energy Guidelines were made available for public comment on February 18, 2011, with a comment-period ending date of May 19, 2011. The draft Guidelines are available for comment at [http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/docs/Wind\\_Energy\\_Guidelines\\_2\\_15\\_2011FINAL.pdf](http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/docs/Wind_Energy_Guidelines_2_15_2011FINAL.pdf). We will publish the final Guidelines for public use after consideration of any comments

received. The purpose of the Guidelines, once finalized, will be to provide recommendations on measures to avoid, minimize, and compensate for effects to fish, wildlife, and their habitats. For more information, including how to comment on the draft Guidelines, see our **Federal Register** notice of February 18, 2011 (76 FR 9590).

**Meeting Location Information**

Please note that the meeting location is accessible to wheelchair users. If you require additional accommodations, please notify us at least 1 week in advance of the meeting.

**Meeting Participation Information**

All Committee meetings are open to the public. The public has an opportunity to comment at all Committee meetings.

We require that all persons planning to attend the meeting register at <http://www.fws.gov/windenergy> no later than April 20, 2011. We will give preference to registrants based on date and time of registration. Limited standing room at the meeting may be available if all seats are filled.

Dated: March 29, 2011.

**Rachel London,**

*Alternate Designated Federal Officer, Wind Turbine Guidelines Advisory Committee.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

**[FWS-R9-IA-2011-N069; 96300-1671-0000-P5]**

**Endangered Species; Marine Mammals; Receipt of Applications for Permit**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species, marine mammals, or both. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) prohibits activities with listed species unless a Federal permit is issued that allows such activities. Both laws require that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

**DATES:** We must receive comments or requests for documents on or before May 2, 2011. We must receive requests

for marine mammal permit public hearings, in writing, at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section by May 2, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Brenda Tapia, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358-2280; or e-mail [DMAFR@fws.gov](mailto:DMAFR@fws.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brenda Tapia, (703) 358-2104 (telephone); (703) 358-2280 (fax); [DMAFR@fws.gov](mailto:DMAFR@fws.gov) (e-mail).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Public Comment Procedures**

*A. How do I request copies of applications or comment on submitted applications?*

Send your request for copies of applications or comments and materials concerning any of the applications to the contact listed under **ADDRESSES**. Please include the **Federal Register** notice publication date, the PRT-number, and the name of the applicant in your request or submission. We will not consider requests or comments sent to an e-mail or address not listed under **ADDRESSES**. If you provide an email address in your request for copies of applications, we will attempt to respond to your request electronically.

Please make your requests or comments as specific as possible. Please confine your comments to issues for which we seek comments in this notice, and explain the basis for your comments. Include sufficient information with your comments to allow us to authenticate any scientific or commercial data you include.

The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) Those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (**SEE ADDRESSES**).

*B. May I review comments submitted by others?*

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the address listed under **ADDRESSES**. The public may review documents and other information applicants have sent in support of the application unless our allowing viewing would violate the Privacy Act or Freedom of Information

Act. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

## II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, the Endangered Species Act of 1973, section 10(a)(1)(A), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and our regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR part 17, the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and our regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR part 18 require that we invite public comment before final action on these permit applications. Under the MMPA, you may request a hearing on any MMPA application received. If you request a hearing, give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Service Director.

## III. Permit Applications

### A. Endangered Species

*Applicant:* Louisiana State University, Department of Geology and Geophysics, Baton Rouge, LA; PRT-36826A

The applicant requests a permit to import biological specimens from broad-snouted caiman (*Caiman latirostris*) from ranched animals in Argentina for the purpose of scientific research.

*Applicant:* Museum of Zoology and Herbarium, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI; PRT-693112

The applicant requests a permit to export and re-import non-living museum/herbarium specimens of endangered and threatened species (excluding bald eagles) previously legally accessioned into the permittee's collection for scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant:* Metro Richmond Zoo, Moseley, VA; PRT-37443A

The applicant requests a permit to import two captive-bred Diana monkeys (*Cercopithecus diana*) from the Port Lymne Wildlife Park, UK, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

*Applicant:* Minnesota Zoo, Apple Valley, MN; PRT-37786A

The applicant requests a permit to import seven captive-bred Asian dhole (*Cuon alpinus*) from the European Association of Zoos, EU, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

### Multiple Applicants

The following applicants each request a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) 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.

*Applicant:* Daniel Fore, Austin, TX; PRT-37816A;

*Applicant:* Robert Cooker, Wilsonville, AL; PRT-33960A;

*Applicant:* Terry Prisk, Highland, MI; PRT-37689A;

*Applicant:* Robert Breuder, Barrington, IL; PRT-36734A;

*Applicant:* Samuel Monarch, Hardinsburg, KY; PRT-37370A;

*Applicant:* Roger Jones, Memphis, TN; PRT-36490A.

### B. Endangered Marine Mammals and Marine Mammals

*Applicant:* Mote Marine Laboratory, Sarasota, FL; PRT-100361

The applicant requests renewal of the permit to authorize take and import of West Indian manatees (*Trichechus manatus*) in Florida and from the Caribbean region for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Concurrent with publishing this notice in the **Federal Register**, we are forwarding copies of the above applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Dated: March 25, 2011.

### Brenda Tapia,

*Program Analyst/Data Administrator, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Notice of Competitive Coal Lease Sale, Wyoming

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of competitive coal lease sale.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that certain coal resources in the West Antelope II South Coal Tract described below in Converse County, Wyoming, will be offered for competitive lease by sealed bid in accordance with the provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended.

**DATES:** The lease sale will be held at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, June 15, 2011. Sealed bids must be submitted on or before 4 p.m., on Tuesday, June 14, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** The lease sale will be held in the First Floor Conference Room (Room 107), of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003. Sealed bids must be submitted to the Cashier, BLM Wyoming State Office, at the address given above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mavis Love, Land Law Examiner, or Tyson Sackett, Acting Coal Coordinator, at 307-775-6258, and 307-775-6487, respectively.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This coal lease sale is being held in response to a lease by application (LBA) filed by Antelope Coal LLC, Gillette, Wyoming. The coal resource to be offered consists of all reserves recoverable by surface mining methods in the following described lands located 2-4 miles south of the Campbell/Converse County line and 1-3 miles east of State Highway 59.

T. 40 N., R. 71 W., 6th Principal Meridian  
 Sec. 5, lot 18;  
 Sec. 8, lots 1 through 3 inclusive, lots 6 through 11 inclusive, and lots 14 through 16 inclusive;  
 Sec. 9, lots 2 through 16 inclusive;  
 Sec. 10, lots 5, 6, and lots 11 through 14 inclusive;  
 Sec. 14, lot 13; and  
 Sec. 15, lots 2 through 7 inclusive, and lots 10 through 16 inclusive.

Containing 1,908.60 acres, more or less in Campbell and Converse Counties, Wyoming.

The LBA tract is adjacent to the western and southern lease boundary of the Antelope Mine and to Federal leases to the east and north as well as a State