NOTICE OF OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ACTION

Date 02/17/2012

Department of Commerce
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
FOR CERTIFYING OFFICIAL: Simon Szykman
FOR CLEARANCE OFFICER: Diana Hynek

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, OMB has taken action on your request received 11/28/2011

ACTION REQUESTED: New collection (Request for a new OMB Control Number)
TYPE OF REVIEW REQUESTED: Regular
ICR REFERENCE NUMBER: 201110-0648-016
AGENCY ICR TRACKING NUMBER:
TITLE: Shipboard Observation Form for Floating Marine Debris
LIST OF INFORMATION COLLECTIONS: See next page

OMB ACTION: Approved without change
OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0648-0644
The agency is required to display the OMB Control Number and inform respondents of its legal significance in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.5(b).

EXPIRATION DATE: 02/28/2015 DISCONTINUE DATE:

BURDEN:	RESPONSES	HOURS	COSTS
Previous	0	0	0
New	45	45	0
Difference			
Change due to New Statute	0	0	0
Change due to Agency Discretion	45	45	0
Change due to Agency Adjustment	0	0	0
Change Due to Potential Violation of the PRA	0	0	0

TERMS OF CLEARANCE:

OMB Authorizing Official: Kevin F. Neyland
Deputy Administrator,
Office Of Information And Regulatory Affairs

List of ICs			
IC Title	Form No.	Form Name	CFR Citation
Shipboard Observation Form for Floating Marine Debris	NA	Shipboard Observation Form for Floating Marine Debris	

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT SUBMISSION

Please read the instructions before completing this form. For additional forms or assistance in completing this form, contact your agency's Paperwork Clearance Officer. Send two copies of this form, the collection instrument to be reviewed, the supporting statement, and any additional documentation to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503.

1. Agency/Subagency originating request
NOAA/NOS

2. OMB control number b. [✔] None
a. 0648 -

3. Type of information collection (*check one*)
a. [✔] New Collection
b. [ ] Revision of a currently approved collection
c. [ ] Extension of a currently approved collection
d. [ ] Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired
e. [ ] Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired
f. [ ] Existing collection in use without an OMB control number
For b-f, note Item A2 of Supporting Statement instructions

4. Type of review requested (*check one*)
a. [✔] Regular submission
b. [ ] Emergency - Approval requested by / /
c. [ ] Delegated

5. Small entities
Will this information collection have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities? [ ] Yes [✔] No

6. Requested expiration date
a. [✔] Three years from approval date b. [ ] Other Specify: /

7. Title
Shipboard Observation Form for Floating Marine Debris

8. Agency form number(s) (*if applicable*) NA

9. Keywords

10. Abstract

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11. Affected public (*Mark primary with "P" and all others that apply with "x"*)
a. P Individuals or households d. ___ Farms
b. ___ Business or other for-profit e. ___ Federal Government
c. x Not-for-profit institutions f. ___ State, Local or Tribal Government

12. Obligation to respond (*check one*)
a. [✔] Voluntary
b. [ ] Required to obtain or retain benefits
c. [ ] Mandatory

13. Annual recordkeeping and reporting burden
a. Number of respondents 60
b. Total annual responses 45
1. Percentage of these responses collected electronically 10 %
c. Total annual hours requested 45
d. Current OMB inventory 0
e. Difference 45
f. Explanation of difference
1. Program change 45
2. Adjustment

14. Annual reporting and recordkeeping cost burden (*in thousands of dollars*)
a. Total annualized capital/startup costs 0
b. Total annual costs (O&M) 0
c. Total annualized cost requested 0
d. Current OMB inventory 0
e. Difference 0
f. Explanation of difference
1. Program change 0
2. Adjustment

15. Purpose of information collection (*Mark primary with "P" and all others that apply with "X"*)
a. ___ Application for benefits e. x Program planning or management
b. ___ Program evaluation f. P Research
c. x General purpose statistics g. ___ Regulatory or compliance
d. ___ Audit

16. Frequency of recordkeeping or reporting (*check all that apply*)
a. [ ] Recordkeeping b. [ ] Third party disclosure
c. [✔] Reporting
1. [✔] On occasion 2. [ ] Weekly 3. [ ] Monthly
4. [ ] Quarterly 5. [ ] Semi-annually 6. [ ] Annually
7. [ ] Biennially 8. [ ] Other (describe)

17. Statistical methods
Does this information collection employ statistical methods
[✔] Yes [ ] No

18. Agency Contact (person who can best answer questions regarding the content of this submission)
Name: Carey Morishige
Phone: 808-694-3936

19. Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions

On behalf of this Federal Agency, I certify that the collection of information encompassed by this request complies with 5 CFR 1320.9

NOTE: The text of 5 CFR 1320.9, and the related provisions of 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3), appear at the end of the instructions. *The certification is to be made with reference to those regulatory provisions as set forth in the instructions.*

The following is a summary of the topics, regarding the proposed collection of information, that the certification covers:

(a) It is necessary for the proper performance of agency functions;

(b) It avoids unnecessary duplication;

(c) It reduces burden on small entities;

(d) It used plain, coherent, and unambiguous terminology that is understandable to respondents;

(e) Its implementation will be consistent and compatible with current reporting and recordkeeping practices;

(f) It indicates the retention period for recordkeeping requirements;

(g) It informs respondents of the information called for under 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3):

(i) Why the information is being collected;

(ii) Use of information;

(iii) Burden estimate;

(iv) Nature of response (voluntary, required for a benefit, mandatory);

(v) Nature and extent of confidentiality; and

(vi) Need to display currently valid OMB control number;

(h) It was developed by an office that has planned and allocated resources for the efficient and effective management and use of the information to be collected (see note in Item 19 of instructions);

(i) It uses effective and efficient statistical survey methodology; and

(j) It makes appropriate use of information technology.

If you are unable to certify compliance with any of the provisions, identify the item below and explain the reason in Item 18 of the Supporting Statement.

Signature of Senior Official or designee	Date

Agency Certification (signature of Assistant Administrator, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Line Office Chief Information Officer, head of MB staff for L.O.s, or of the Director of a Program or StaffOffice)	
Signature signed by Hugh Johnson	Date 10/24/2011
Signature of NOAA Clearance Officer	
Signature signed by Sarah Brabson	Date 10/25/2011

SUPPORTING STATEMENT
Shipboard Observation Form for Floating Marine Debris
OMB CONTROL NO. 0648-xxxx

A. JUSTIFICATION

1. Explain the circumstances that make the collection of information necessary.

This request is for a new information collection.

Resources, funding, and time limitations as well as an increased safety risk all restrict regular at-sea surveys of marine debris. Because of these limitations, marine debris surveys at sea have been conducted as an add-on to other research at sea. These opportunities are typically quite rare. Building on a small-scale project begun by James Callahan (recreational sailor) in Hawaii, there is currently an opportunity to collect additional information needed on debris within areas such as the North Pacific Subtropical High (aka "Great Pacific garbage patch"), other areas of marine debris concentration at sea, and potential Japan tsunami debris. Information would be collected through a partnership between the NOAA Marine Debris Program and non-government organization (NGOs) and recreational sailors who are on the ocean regularly. This survey will assist us in carrying out activities prescribed in the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act of 2006 (33 U.S.C. §§ 1951 et seq.), mainly "mapping, identification and impact assessment".

2. Explain how, by whom, how frequently, and for what purpose the information will be used. If the information collected will be disseminated to the public or used to support information that will be disseminated to the public, then explain how the collection complies with all applicable Information Quality Guidelines.

Data collection forms will be distributed each year to recreation sailors during the TransPacific Yacht Race and Pacific Cup Race (each takes place every other year with one race going on each year). Additionally, forms will be made available to other recreational sailors as well as NGOs that frequently sail our oceans. Distribution will be done through James Callahan (private citizen, recreational sailor, and coordinator for this overall project) and the NOAA Marine Debris Program at outreach events, presentations, and other outreach opportunities as well as through a project website. Outreach opportunities typically occur four to five times per year. James Callahan began this data collection on a small scale in 2008 in Hawaii with yacht sailors of both the TransPacific and Pacific Cup Races.

The collected data and information will be used to better model movement and concentration of the debris, facilitate greater understanding of marine debris and marine debris concentration areas in the open ocean as well as prepare (as needed) for potential Japan tsunami marine debris arrival to areas around the Pacific. The data, once collected, will undergo simple analysis (e.g., main debris type seen) and mapping and the results will be posted on the project Web site.

3. Describe whether, and to what extent, the collection of information involves the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological techniques or other forms of information technology.

This data collection form is meant to be filled out primarily by hand and can be done electronically if the respondent has the necessary means, such as computer, smartphone, or email access. Related technologies are the collection of latitude and longitude locations for transect lines, typically with a GPS unit. Submission of completed and scanned forms can be via email or facsimile, but is expected to be primarily through mail.

4. Describe efforts to identify duplication.

There exist other partnership efforts to collect additional information on debris within areas such as the North Pacific Subtropical High (aka "Great Pacific garbage patch"), other areas of marine debris concentration at sea, and potential Japan tsunami debris. Those efforts are on a smaller scale and currently ongoing, coordinated among the NOAA Marine Debris Program, the NOAA Observer Program and NOAA Office of Marine and Aviation Operations. This effort seeks to partner with a broader range of ocean users (NGOs and recreational sailors).

5. If the collection of information involves small businesses or other small entities, describe the methods used to minimize burden.

NA.

6. Describe the consequences to the Federal program or policy activities if the collection is not conducted or is conducted less frequently.

There are no immediate consequences if data is not collected; however the data and information, particularly about potential Japan tsunami debris, are integral to near-future planning and coordination for debris deposition and possible impacts across the Pacific Rim. Knowledge of likely quantities and types of tsunami debris coupled with computer model simulations and predictions of deposition timeframe will help all managers best prepare for arrival (or not) of this debris. Large debris items could pose an economic and environmental hazard as well as potential human health and safety risk depending on the type of debris. Smaller items may pose less of a risk; however arrive in larger quantities.

7. Explain any special circumstances that require the collection to be conducted in a manner inconsistent with OMB guidelines.

NA.

8. Provide information on the PRA Federal Register Notice that solicited public comments on the information collection prior to this submission. Summarize the public comments received in response to that notice and describe the actions taken by the agency in response to those comments. Describe the efforts to consult with persons outside the agency to obtain their views on the availability of data, frequency of collection, the clarity of instructions and recordkeeping, disclosure, or reporting format (if any), and on the data elements to be recorded, disclosed, or reported.

A Federal Register Notice published on August 23, 2011 (76 FR 52638) solicited public comments. No comments were received.

9. Explain any decisions to provide payments or gifts to respondents, other than remuneration of contractors or grantees.

No gifts or payments will be provided to respondents.

10. Describe any assurance of confidentiality provided to respondents and the basis for assurance in statute, regulation, or agency policy.

Data are combined and names are removed to ensure anonymity. Respondents are made aware of this by a statement on the data collection form.

11. Provide additional justification for any questions of a sensitive nature, such as sexual behavior and attitudes, religious beliefs, and other matters that are commonly considered private.

NA.

12. Provide an estimate in hours of the burden of the collection of information.

The number of anticipated respondents and responses each year is 45. These estimates are based mainly on communications with James Callahan, recreational sailor, and feedback from other recreational sailors. Response frequency is one time per year (based on likelihood of outreach event and/or sailing race) with the average response time per respondent being one hour, based on time necessary to complete the form and mail it back. The total annual response time is **45 hours**.

Annualized labor cost to respondents for their time participating in this data collection project is $961.20, based on the 2010 national volunteer average value of $21.36/hr. (http://www.volunteeringinamerica.gov/national) multiplied by an average of one hour per respondent and 45 expected responses.

13. Provide an estimate of the total annual cost burden to the respondents or record-keepers resulting from the collection (excluding the value of the burden hours in Question 12 above).

Total annual cost burden to the respondents is $0. Respondents will be provided with envelopes with prepaid postage.

14. Provide estimates of annualized cost to the Federal government.

Total annual cost burden Federal government (materials costs) is approximately $200/year. This is the cost of waterproof paper and copying of data sheets onto that paper. Time burden is included in regular labor costs.

15. Explain the reasons for any program changes or adjustments.

This is a new program.

16. For collections whose results will be published, outline the plans for tabulation and publication.

As data forms come in, they will be scanned and sent to the NOAA Marine Debris Program. Data will then be entered into a simple Microsoft Excel spreadsheet and simple analyses completed (e.g., avg., min, max, graphing). Results will be shown online at a Web site created specifically for this project.

17. If seeking approval to not display the expiration date for OMB approval of the information collection, explain the reasons why display would be inappropriate.

NA.

18. Explain each exception to the certification statement.

NA.

B. COLLECTIONS OF INFORMATION EMPLOYING STATISTICAL METHODS

1. Describe (including a numerical estimate) the potential respondent universe and any sampling or other respondent selection method to be used. Data on the number of entities (e.g. establishments, State and local governmental units, households, or persons) in the universe and the corresponding sample are to be provided in tabular form. The tabulation must also include expected response rates for the collection as a whole. If the collection has been conducted before, provide the actual response rate achieved.

This data collection form is used on a completely voluntary basis. There is no requirement to complete it and there will be no respondent selection methods. Respondents will likely be individual recreational sailors, including sailors participating in the TransPacific Yacht and Pacific Cup races that take place every other year. Additionally, though less common, would be participation by members of non-government organizations (NGOs) that are frequently on the ocean. It is estimated that 60 data sheets will be distributed each year with a response rate of approximately 75% (45 responses).

2. Describe the procedures for the collection, including: the statistical methodology for stratification and sample selection; the estimation procedure; the degree of accuracy needed for the purpose described in the justification; any unusual problems requiring specialized sampling procedures; and any use of periodic (less frequent than annual) data collection cycles to reduce burden.

Data collection forms will be distributed each year to recreation sailors during the TransPacific Yacht Race and Pacific Cup Race (each takes place every other year with one race going on each year). Additionally, forms will be made available to other recreational sailors as well as NGOs that frequently sail our oceans. Distribution will be done through James Callahan (private citizen and coordinator for this overall project) and the NOAA Marine Debris Program at outreach events, presentations, and other outreach opportunities as well as through a project Web site. These opportunities typically occur four to five times per year.

While estimated number of respondents (i.e., sample size) will be only 45 each year, and there is no way to claim the representativeness of the data, this amount of data is still valuable, Any information helps us understand better the quantities, types, and location of marine debris at sea.

This data collection form requires no training and is self-explanatory. The level of accuracy will depend upon the respondent. A fairly high, though standardized (due to untrained respondents), error will be common and assumed among submitted data sheets. Though that particular error is unknown, it is expected to remain constant throughout this project, thus allowing analysis of trends over years. Data and information gathered, regardless of error, is also highly valuable as this information helps us understand better the quantities, types, and location of marine debris at sea, and in the case of potential Japan tsunami debris, helps us prepare for debris deposition on Pacific coasts. All completed and submitted data sheets will be included in results analysis.

3. Describe the methods used to maximize response rates and to deal with nonresponse. The accuracy and reliability of the information collected must be shown to be adequate for the intended uses. For collections based on sampling, a special justification must be provided if they will not yield "reliable" data that can be generalized to the universe studied.

Pre-notification and communications through partners and available channels to reach respondent groups (e.g., recreational sailors) will be used. Additionally, a good working relationship exists with several yacht clubs as well as organizers of the Pacific Cup race. The data collection sheet was developed with the input and feedback of recreational sailors and thus questions are simple and brief and the data collection sheet is completable within the limitations of respondents. Results will posted on a Web site for respondents to view. Based on these factors, as well as the assumption that most boaters would have a stakeholder interest in mapping of marine debris, a response rate of 75% is expected.

4. Describe any tests of procedures or methods to be undertaken. Tests are encouraged as effective means to refine collections, but if ten or more test respondents are involved OMB must give prior approval.

Pilot surveys have been conducted with eight participants. The methodology and data sheet were tested.

5. Provide the name and telephone number of individuals consulted on the statistical aspects of the design, and the name of the agency unit, contractor(s), grantee(s), or other person(s) who will actually collect and/or analyze the information for the agency.

Development of data collection methods and sheet:

- Charles Moore, Algalita Marine Research Foundation, 562-900-7958
- Jim Foley, Center for Microbial Oceanography: Research and Education, 808-356-7424
- David Hyrenbach, PhD, Hawai‘i Pacific University, 808-228-4464
- Nikolai Maximenko, PhD, International Pacific Research Center, School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, 808-956-2584

- Kyle Koyanagi, NOAA Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center, Coral Reef Ecosystem Division, 808-927-9273
- Kris McElwee, NOAA Marine Debris Program, 808-532-3207

Collection of data:

- James Callahan, recreational sailor, 808-222-8876

Analysis of data:

- Sarah Opfer, IMSG / NOAA Marine Debris Program, 419-779-5337
- Carey Morishige, IMSG / NOAA Marine Debris Program, 808-694-3936.

Shipboard Observation Form for Floating Marine Debris

Paperwork Reduction Act statement: This form is to collect information on marine debris within areas such as the N. Pacific Subtropical High (aka "Great Pacific garbage patch"), other areas of marine debris concentration at sea, and potential Japan tsunami debris. The collected data and information will be used to better model movement and concentration of the debris, facilitate greater understanding of marine debris and concentration areas in the open ocean as well as prepare (as needed) for potential Japan tsunami marine debris arrival to areas around the Pacific. For more information or questions contact Carey Morishige at carey.morishige@noaa.gov or (808)342-5770. Data are combined and names are removed to ensure anonymity. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other suggestions for reducing this burden to Carey Morishige, NOAA Marine Debris Program, 1305 East West Highway, SSMC 4, 10th floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subjected to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. OMB Control No.: XXXX. Expires: XXXX.

DIRECTIONS:

1. Record your start and end lat/long and time.
2. Log debris spotted within 60 feet from the vessel and from the bow, out to an arc of 90 degrees only on one side of the vessel (port or starboard).
3. Use a tick mark in the appropriate column for each item observed larger than 2 inches.

Date: Month/Day/Year	**Vessel Name:**	**Observer Name:**

Transect line START: Time (01:00-24:00 HST): _____ Heading: _____° Latitude: _____°____.____' N Longitude: _____°____.____' W

Transect line END: Time (01:00-24:00 HST): _____ Heading: _____° Latitude: _____°____.____' N Longitude: _____°____.____' W

Did your heading change between your start and end time? ☐ YES (Note heading changes below) ☐ NO

Heading change #1: Time of change (01:00-24:00 HST): _____ Heading: _____°

Heading change #2: Time of change (01:00-24:00 HST): _____ Heading: _____°

Heading change #3: Time of change (01:00-24:00 HST): _____ Heading: _____°

Observations from PORT or STARBORD side?	**Fishing/Boat Gear**				**Plastics**						**Glass**		**Other**	**Wildlife**			**SPEED / WEATHER / SEA STATE**					**NOTES**	**Did you take any photos?** File naming: Vessel Name_Date_PhotoNumber
	Buoys/ Floats	Misc Line	Misc. Nets	Other Fishing Gear	Plastic Fragment	Bags, Sheeting, Tarp	Bottles (Beverage)	Jugs/ Buckets	Styrofoam	Other Plastic Item	Glass Bottle	Other Glass Item	*Describe **(e.g., lumber or potential Japan tsunami debris)**	Turtles? (Y or N)	Jellyfish? (Y or N)	Seabirds? (Y or N)	Avg wind speed (knots)	Avg boat speed (knots)	Weather (describe)	Cloud cover (% of the overhead sky covered in clouds)	Avg sea state (describe)	**Include info on:** Any disruption, stops, changes in speed, dense patches of debris, etc.	
P	*I*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*III*	*0*	*I*	*0*	*I*	*0*	*II*	*0*	--	*N*	*N*	*N*	*5*	*10*	*sunny/ clear*	*5%*	*calm*	*No stops or disruptions; straight course*	*Y - buoy*

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 18, 2011.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Shipboard Observation Form for Floating Marine Debris

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before October 24, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at *dHynek@doc.gov).*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Carey Morishige, (808) 694–3936, *Carey.Morishige@noaa.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

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II. Method of Collection

Respondents have a choice of either electronic or paper forms. Methods of submittal include e-mail of electronic forms, and mail and facsimile transmission of paper forms.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: None.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission (request for a new information collection).

Affected Public: Individuals or households; not-for profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 60.

Estimated Time per Response: 45 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 45.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: $0 in recordkeeping/reporting costs.

IV. Request for Comments

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Dated: August 18, 2011.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Fisheries of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR); Review Workshop for Gulf of Mexico Menhaden and Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic Yellowtail Snapper

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

ACTION: Notice of SEDAR 27 Review Workshop for Gulf of Mexico menhaden and Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic yellowtail snapper.

SUMMARY: The technical stock assessments of the Gulf of Mexico stock of menhaden and the southeast U.S. stocks of yellowtail snapper will be reviewed during the Review Workshop. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

DATES: The Review Workshop will take place November 1–4, 2011. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The Review Workshop will be held at Florida Wildlife Research Institute, 100 8th Avenue SE., St. Petersburg, FL 33701.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie Neer, SEDAR Coordinator, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405; (843) 571–4366; *e-mail: Julie.neer@safmc.net.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and