

# NOTICE OF OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ACTION

Date 06/30/2015

Department of Commerce  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

FOR CERTIFYING OFFICIAL: Jennifer Jessup  
FOR CLEARANCE OFFICER: Jennifer Jessup

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, OMB has taken action on your request received 06/26/2015

ACTION REQUESTED: No material or nonsubstantive change to a currently approved collection

TYPE OF REVIEW REQUESTED: Regular

ICR REFERENCE NUMBER: 201506-0648-019

AGENCY ICR TRACKING NUMBER:

TITLE: Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Amendment 14 Data Collection

LIST OF INFORMATION COLLECTIONS: See next page

OMB ACTION: Approved without change

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0648-0679

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: 02/28/2017

DISCONTINUE DATE:

BURDEN:	RESPONSES	HOURS	COSTS
Previous	52,271	4,006	642,311
New	52,271	4,006	642,311
Difference			
Change due to New Statute	0	0	0
Change due to Agency Discretion	0	0	0
Change due to Agency Adjustment	0	0	0
Change due to PRA Violation	0	0	0

TERMS OF CLEARANCE: Terms of the previous clearance remain in effect.

OMB Authorizing Official: Dominic J. Mancini  
Acting Deputy Administrator,  
Office Of Information And Regulatory Affairs

List of ICs			
IC Title	Form No.	Form Name	CFR Citation
Weekly VTR	NA	Vessel trip report	
VMS installation, activation form and call-in	NA	VMS Certification Form	
Trip declaration, mackerel			50 CFR 648.10
Trip declaration, longfin squid			50 CFR 648.10
VMS operation costs, automated polling costs and catch reports	NA	VMS Catch Report and Pre-Landing Notification	50 CFR 648.10
Mackerel pre-landing notification	VMS Catch Report and Pre-Landing Notification	NA	
VMS Power-Down Exemption	NA	VMS Power Down Exemption Form	
Pre-trip notification to mackerel observer program			50 CFR 648.11
Released Catch Affidavits: Mackerel and Longfin Squid	NA	Released catch affidavit	
Trip cancellation notification to mackerel observer program			50 CFR 648.11
Trip notification for longfin squid observer program			50 CFR 648.27
Trip cancellation for longfin squid observer program			50 CFR 648.27
Mackerel limited access permit application - renewal application	NA	Limited access renewal application	
Confirmation of Permit History plus cost of initial and replacement Tier 1 and Tier 2 Hold Volume Certification	NA	Replacement/upgrade and confirmation of permit history	
Replacement/upgrade application	NA	Replacement/upgrade and confirmation of permit history	

**JUSTIFICATION FOR CHANGE  
ATLANTIC MACKEREL, SQUID, AND BUTTERFISH  
AMENDMENT 14 DATA COLLECTION  
OMB CONTROL NO. 0648-0679**

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) National Marine Fisheries Services (NMFS) proposes to increase catch reporting in the Atlantic mackerel fishery through the submission of slippage events on daily catch reports using vessel monitoring systems (VMS). The MSA (402(a)(2)), in conjunction with regulations at 50 CFR Part 648.7, provide NMFS with the authority to revise fishery reporting requirements as necessary to monitor a Fishery Management Plan (FMP). Recognizing the importance of timely catch information to better monitor catch and address slippage in the Atlantic mackerel fishery, NMFS proposes adding information to the VMS catch reporting in the Atlantic mackerel fishery through Framework Adjustment 9 to the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish FMP (Final Rule 0648-BF00).

Under this action, all limited access mackerel vessels carrying an observer will be required to report all slippage events on the VMS mackerel and longfin squid daily catch report. This information collection is intended to improve monitoring the catch of river herring and shad in the Atlantic mackerel fishery. Currently daily catch reports include the following information: Vessel name, VTR serial number, date, and the amount of Atlantic mackerel and/or longfin squid retained, and total fish kept. Framework 9 will require that owner/operators also indicate if a slippage event occurred and, if so, indicate the reason for the slippage.

In a given fishing year, NMFS estimates that these additional reporting requirements will not cause any additional time or cost burden from that which was previously approved under OMB Control Number 0648-0679. Time and cost burdens that were previously approved include estimated time of 5 minutes to complete daily catch reports; the proposed changes would not increase the completion time. The previously approved cost estimates were calculated per transmission of VMS daily catch reports; this action would not increase the number of transmissions.

NMFS published a proposed rule for Framework 9 which solicited comments for this request on May 19, 2015 (80 CFR 28575), and the comment period ended on June 18, 2015. We received three comments on the proposed rule, none of which were relevant to this collection-of-information request.

## PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT CHANGE WORKSHEET

Agency/Subagency	OMB Control Number  _____ - _____	
<i>Enter only items that change</i>		
	Current record	New record
Agency form number (s)		
Annual reporting and recordkeeping hour burden		
Number of respondents		
Total annual responses		
Percent of these responses collected electronically	%	%
Total annual hours		
Difference		
Explanation of difference		
Program change		
Adjustment		
Annual reporting and recordkeeping cost burden (in thousands of dollars)		
Total annualized Capital/Startup costs		
Total annual costs (O&M)		
Total annualized cost requested		
Difference		
Explanation of difference		
Program change		
Adjustment		
Other changes**		
Signature of Senior Official or designee:	Date:	For OIRA Use  _____ _____

\*\* This form cannot be used to extend an expiration date.

**MACKEREL AND LONGFIN SQUID DAILY CATCH REPORT**

**Form Layout**

Submit this daily report for your Mackerel or Longfin Squid trip by 9 AM of the following day.

1. Operator's Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Vessel Trip Report (VTR) Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Reported to dealer)
3. Date fish caught (MMDDYY): \_\_\_\_\_
4. Species (lbs) Kept:  
Mackerel \_\_\_\_\_  
Longfin Squid \_\_\_\_\_
5. Total Fish Kept (lbs): \_\_\_\_\_  
(all species including mackerel and longfin squid)
6. Did slippage occur when you were carrying an observer?  
Enter 'Y' or 'N': \_\_\_\_ If 'Y', complete step 7.
7. Indicate reason for slippage.  
 SAFETY  
 MECHANICAL FAILURE  
 DOGFISH  
 OTHER (please describe)