

before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

#### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Carolyn Porter at 503-820-2280 at least five days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: October 12, 2010.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Marine Protected Areas Federal Advisory Committee; Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Ocean Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Marine Protected Areas Federal Advisory Committee (Committee) in Santa Barbara, California.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Tuesday, November 2, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Wednesday, November 3, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. These times and the agenda topics described below are subject to change. Refer to the Web page listed below for the most up-to-date meeting agenda.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at Fess Parker's Doubletree Resort, 633 East Cabrillo Blvd., Santa Barbara, California.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kara Schwenke, Designated Federal Officer, MPA FAC, National Marine Protected Areas Center, 1305 East West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. (Phone: 301-713-3100 x162, Fax: 301-713-3110); e-mail: [kara.schwenke@noaa.gov](mailto:kara.schwenke@noaa.gov); or visit the National MPA Center Web site at <http://www.mpa.gov>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee, composed of external, knowledgeable representatives of stakeholder groups, was established by the Department of Commerce (DOC) to provide advice to the Secretaries of Commerce and the Interior on implementation of Section 4 of Executive Order 13158, which calls for the development of a National System of MPAs. The National System aims to strengthen existing MPAs and MPA programs through national and regional coordination, capacity building, science and analysis. The meeting will be open to public participation from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 2, 2010. In general, each individual or group will be limited to a total time of five (5) minutes. If members of the public wish to submit written statements, they should be submitted to the Designated Federal Official by October 28, 2010.

**Matters to be Considered:** The focus of the Committee's meeting will be the development of draft recommendations by the Subcommittees (Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning and Communities and Land/Sea Interactions) and the Cultural Heritage Workgroup for deliberation and action by the full MPA FAC. The Committee will hear from an expert speaker on the Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS), and how MPAs could be used as platforms for ocean monitoring. The Committee will hear from two panels of MPA experts: One on how MPAs can help support healthy and resilient coastal communities coastal communities, and one on how MPAs and the national system of MPAs relate to the National Ocean Policy and Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning Initiatives. The agenda is subject to change. The latest version will be posted at <http://www.mpa.gov>.

Dated: October 6, 2010.

**Donna Wieting,**

*Director, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Prospective Grant of Exclusive Patent License

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of prospective grant of exclusive patent license.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c)(1) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i) that the National Institute of Standards and Technology ("NIST"), U.S. Department of Commerce, is contemplating the grant of an exclusive license in the United States of America, its territories, possessions and commonwealths, to NIST's interest in the invention embodied in U.S. Patent Application No. 12/820,218, titled "Magnetic Connectors For Microfluidic Applications," NIST Docket No. 09-020 to SFC Fluidics, LLC, having a place of business at 534 W. Research Center Blvd. Suite 260, Fayetteville, AR 72701. The grant of the license would be for the field of use: Magnetic Connectors For Microfluidic Applications.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** J. Terry Lynch, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Technology Partnerships Office, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 2200, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, Phone 301-975-2691.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The prospective exclusive license will be royalty bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within thirty days from the date of this published Notice, NIST receives written evidence and argument which establish that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

U.S. Patent Application No. 12/820,218 is owned by the U.S. government, as represented by the Secretary of Commerce. The invention comprises a first magnetic connector with at least one orifice extending therethrough and a second magnetic connector. The first and second connectors are configured to magnetically attract each other. In one aspect, the first magnetic connector is configured to sealingly engage a surface of a microfluidic chip with the second magnetic connector disposed on an opposite side of the microfluidic chip. The first magnetic connector is configured to seal with the microfluidic chip about a channel opening in the microfluidic chip and provide flow communication between the channel opening and the orifice in the first magnetic connector. In at least one other aspect, the first magnetic connector and second magnetic connector each have at least one orifice and are configured to change a flow communication there between upon a rotation of the first or