with otter trawls that are fully compliant with applicable regulations and adhere to the following conditions: Possess 150 or fewer dogfish per trip; all live dogfish bycatch would be returned to the ocean as quickly as possible; no dogfish may be landed for sale; dogfish would not be targeted during the fishing trips.

Participating vessels would be exempt from the spiny dogfish fishery closure regulations at 50 CFR 648.231 and required to comply with all other applicable requirements and restrictions specified at 50 CFR part 648.

The applicant may make requests to NMFS for minor modifications and extensions to the EFP throughout the year. EFP modifications and extensions may be granted by NMFS without further notice if they are deemed essential to facilitate completion of the proposed research and result in only a minimal change in the scope or impact of the initially approved EFP request. In accordance with NOAA Administrative Order 216–6, a Categorical Exclusion or other appropriate NEPA document would be completed prior to the issuance of the EFP. Further review and consultation may be necessary before a final determination is made to issue the EFP. After publication of this document in the Federal Register, the EFP, if approved, may become effective following a 15-day public comment period.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

Dated: October 5, 2010.

#### Carrie Selberg,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 2010–25435 Filed 10–7–10; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510-22–P

# DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# National Institute of Standards and Technology

### Technology Innovation Program Advisory Board

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Technology Innovation Program Advisory Board, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) will meet in open session on Tuesday, November 2, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Eastern daylight savings time.

**DATES:** The meeting will convene Tuesday, November 2, 2010, at 8:30 a.m. and will adjourn at 3:15 p.m. **ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Advanced Measurement Laboratory, Building 215, Room C103, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899. Please note admittance instructions under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rene Cesaro, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899, telephone number (301) 975–2162. Ms. Cesaro's e-mail address is *rene.cesaro@nist.gov.* 

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Technology Innovation Program (TIP) Advisory Board is composed of ten members appointed by the Director of NIST who are eminent in such fields as business, research, science and technology, engineering, education, and management consulting. The purpose of this meeting is to review and make recommendations regarding general policy for the Technology Innovation Program, its organization, its budget, and its programs within the framework of applicable national policies as set forth by the President and the Congress. The agenda will include a TIP update, a presentation on the TIP critical national need process, and a discussion of potential critical national need areas for future funding. The agenda may change to accommodate Board business. The final agenda will be posted on the TIP Web site at: http://www.nist.gov/ tip/. Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the Board's affairs are invited to request a place on the agenda. On November 2, 2010, approximately one-half hour will be reserved for public comments, and speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be about three minutes each. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend in person are invited to submit written statements to the TIP Advisory Board, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, MS 4700, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899, via fax at (301) 975-4032, or electronically by e-mail to lorel.wisniewski@nist.gov.

All visitors to the National Institute of Standards and Technology site will have to pre-register to be admitted. Please submit your name, time of arrival, email address and phone number to Rene Cesaro no later than Friday, October 29, 2010, and she will provide you with instructions for admittance. Ms. Cesaro's e-mail address is *rene.cesaro@nist.gov* and her phone number is (301) 975–2162.

### Harry S. Hertz,

Director, Baldrige National Quality Program. [FR Doc. 2010–25412 Filed 10–7–10; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–13–P

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN: 0648-XZ52

### South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Hearings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public hearings.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a series of public hearings regarding Amendment 18A to the Snapper Grouper Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for the South Atlantic. *See* **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.** 

DATES: A series of 3 public hearings will be held October 25 through October 27, 2010. The hearings will be open from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. Members of the public will have an opportunity to go on record at any time during the meeting hours to record their comments on the public hearing topics for Council consideration. Written comments will be received in the South Atlantic Council's office until 5 p.m. on November 12, 2010. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Amendment 18A to the Snapper Grouper FMP contains the following management actions: (1) Limit participation in the golden tilefish fishery through an endorsement program, (2) allocate commercial golden tilefish quota between gear groups, (3) establish criteria for transferability of golden tilefish endorsements, (4) change the commercial golden tilefish fishing year, (5) change the golden tilefish commercial trip limit, (6) establish trip limits for commercial fishermen who do not receive and endorsement in the golden tilefish fishery, (7) modify the commercial black sea bass fishery to limit participation and effort and reduce bycatch, and (8) improve the accuracy, timing, and quality of fisheries data.