1. The authority citation for Part 23 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, 27 U.S.C. 1087; and Endangered

Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).

2. In Subpart F—Export of Certain Species, revise § 23.53 to read as follows:

§ 23.53 River otter (Lontra canadensis).

States for which the export of the indicated season's harvest may be permitted under § 23.15 of this part:

(a) States and Harvest Seasons Approved for Export of River Otter From the United States.

	1977–78 ¹	11978–792	1979–80³	1980–81	1981–82	1982–83	1983–84 and subse- quent	1995–96 and subse- quent
Alabama	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Alaska	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Arkansas	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Connecticut	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Delaware	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Florida	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Georgia	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Louisiana	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Maine	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Maryland	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Massachusetts	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Michigan	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Minnesota	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Mississippi	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Montana	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
New Hampshire	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
New Jersey	_	_	_	_	_	+	+	+
New York	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
North Carolina	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Oregon	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Penobscot Nation	_	_	_	_	_	_	+	+
Rhode Island	Q	+	_	_	_	_	_	_
South Carolina	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Tennessee	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	+*
Vermont	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Virginia	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Washington	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Wisconsin	Q	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

(b) Condition on export: Each pelt must be clearly identified as to species, State of origin and season of taking by a permanently attached, serially numbered tag of a type approved by the Service and attached under conditions established by the Service. Exception to tagging requirement: finished furs and

fully manufactured fur products may be exported from the U.S. when the State export tags, removed from the pelts used to manufacture the product being exported, are surrendered to the Service before export. Such tags must be removed by cutting the tag straps on the female side next to the locking socket of

the tag, so that the locking socket and locking tip remain joined.

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¹ For further information see 42 FR 43729, Aug. 30, 1977; 43 FR 11081, Mar. 16, 1978; and 43 FR 29469, July 7, 1978.

² For further information see 43 FR 11096, Mar. 16, 1978; 43 FR 13913, Apr. 3, 1978; 43 FR 15097, Apr. 10, 1978; 43 FR 29469, July 7, 1978; 43 FR 35013, Aug. 7, 1978; 43 FR 36293, Aug. 16, 1978; and 43 FR 39305, Sept. 1, 1978.

³ For further information see 44 FR 25383, Apr. 30, 1979; 44 FR 31583, May 31, 1979; 44 FR 40842, July 12, 1979; 44 FR 52289, Sept. 7, 1979; and 44 FR 55540, Sept. 26, 1979.

Q Export approved with quota.

Export approved.

<sup>Export not approved.
* Export for 1994–95 approved administratively.</sup>