

manufacturing. The Sebring International Raceway is used for automotive and automotive parts research, testing, and demonstration activities.

The application contains evidence of the need for additional zone services in the Sebring area. Several firms have indicated an interest in using zone procedures within the proposed project for warehousing/distribution of such items as automobiles and automotive parts and accessories, wood, pulp and paper products, caladium tubers, and light aircraft engine parts and accessories. Specific manufacturing approvals are not being sought at this time. Requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board's regulations (as revised, 56 FR 50790-50808, 10-8-91), a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

As part of the investigation, the Commerce examiner will hold a public hearing on March 8, 1995, at 9 a.m., Sebring Regional Airport, Board Room, 128 Authority Lane, Sebring, Florida.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is April 11, 1995. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to April 26, 1995).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available during this time for public inspection at the following locations:

Sebring Regional Airport,  
Administrative Offices, 128 Authority Lane, Sebring, Florida 33870;  
Office of the Executive Secretary,  
Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Dated: February 3, 1995.

**John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## International Trade Administration

### University of Wisconsin-Madison, Notice of Decision on Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instrument

This decision is made pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational,

Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

**Docket Number:** 94-134. **Applicant:** University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI 53706. **Instrument:** Heating and Cooling Stage for Petrographic Microscope, Model THMSG 600. **Manufacturer:** Linkam Scientific Instruments Ltd., United Kingdom. **Intended Use:** See notice at 59 FR 63762, December 9, 1994.

**Comments:** None received. **Decision:** Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as it is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

**Reasons:** The foreign instrument provides: (1) operation without glass in the microscope beam path (no infrared absorption) for FTIR spectroscopy, (2) temperature range from -196°C to 600°C and (3) computer control for precise regulation of temperature and generation of video text overlay on data images. The U.S. Geological Survey advised on January 17, 1995 that (1) this capability is pertinent to the applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument for the applicant's intended use.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument which is being manufactured in the United States.

#### **Pamela Woods**

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## National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Financial Assistance for Research and Development Projects to Provide Information for the Full and Wise Use and Enhancement of Fishery Resources in the Gulf of Mexico and off the U.S. South Atlantic Coastal States; MARFIN

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed areas of program emphasis; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** Funds are expected to be available for the fiscal year (FY) 1996 Marine Fisheries Initiative (MARFIN) financial assistance program to assist persons in carrying out research projects that optimize the use of the U.S. fishing industry (recreational and commercial), in the Gulf of Mexico (Gulf) and South Atlantic (North Carolina to Florida), including fishery biology, resource assessment, social-economic assessment, management and conservation, selective harvesting methods, and fish handling and processing. Emphasis is on research that will enhance social and economic benefits from living marine resources. NMFS issues this notice to solicit public comments on proposed emphasis areas for the FY 1996 financial assistance program. This is not a solicitation for proposals.

**DATES:** Public comment on the proposed areas of program emphasis for the FY 1996 MARFIN solicitation will be accepted until March 13, 1995.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Ms. Ellie Roche, Competitive Programs Manager, Cooperative Programs Division, Southeast Regional Office, National Marine Fisheries Service, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702. For availability of documents referenced in this notice, contact the Southeast Regional Office.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Ellie Roche, 813-570-5324.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **I. Introduction**

The Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) is authorized under 15 U.S.C. 713c-3(d) to enter into cooperative agreements for research and development addressed to all aspects of U.S. fisheries. Funding is expected to be available in FY 1996 for financial assistance under the MARFIN program to manage and enhance the use of fishery resources in the Gulf and off the South Atlantic States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. U.S. fisheries include any marine fishery that is or may be engaged in by U.S. citizens and citizens of the Northern Mariana Islands. The phrase "fishing industry" includes both the commercial and recreational sectors of U.S. fisheries. This program is described in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under program number