## Request for Approval under the “Generic Clearance Collection for Meetings, Events, Registrations, and Miscellaneous Forms”

## (OMB Control Number: 0690-0038)

**TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:** Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR) Workshops Advisory Panel (SEDAR Pool)

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Atlantic HMS SEDAR Workshops Advisory Panel, or SEDAR Pool, is to consider data and advise NMFS regarding the scientific information including, but not limited to, data and models used in stock assessments for oceanic sharks in the Atlantic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico, and Caribbean Sea. NMFS seeks nominations for the SEDAR Pool annually for 5-year appointments.

**DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS**: Individuals with definable interests in the recreational and commercial fishing and related industries, environmental community, academia, and non-governmental organizations will be considered for membership on the SEDAR Pool.

**TYPE OF COLLECTION:** (Check one)

[ ] Customer Comment Card/Complaint Form [ ] Customer Satisfaction Survey

[ ] Usability Testing (e.g., Website or Software [ ] Small Discussion Group

[ ] Focus Group [X] Other: Nomination Packets\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATION:**

I certify the following to be true:

1. The collection is voluntary.
2. The collection is a low burden for respondents and low-cost for the Federal Government.
3. The collection is non-controversial and does not raise issues of concern to other federal agencies.
4. The results are not intended to be disseminated to the public.
5. Information gathered will not be used for the purpose of substantially informing influential policy decisions.
6. The collection is targeted to the solicitation of opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the future.

Name: \_\_Clifford Hutt\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

To assist review, please provide answers to the following question:

**Personally Identifiable Information:**

1. Is personally identifiable information (PII) collected? [X] Yes [ ] No
2. If Yes, will any information that is collected be included in records that are subject to the Privacy Act of 1974? [X] Yes [ ] No
3. If Yes, has an up-to-date System of Records Notice (SORN) been published? [X] Yes [ ] No

**Gifts or Payments:**

Is an incentive (e.g., money or reimbursement of expenses, token of appreciation) provided to participants? [ ] Yes [X] No

**BURDEN HOURS**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Category of Respondent** | **No. of Respondents** | **Participation Time** | **Burden Hours** |
| Individuals | 16 | 3 hours | 48 |
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| **Totals** | **16** |  | **48** |

**FEDERAL COST:** The estimated annual cost to the Federal government is \_$1,000\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:**

**The selection of your targeted respondents**

1. Do you have a customer list or something similar that defines the universe of potential respondents and do you have a sampling plan for selecting from this universe? [ ] Yes [X] No

If the answer is yes, please provide a description of both below (or attach the sampling plan)? If the answer is no, please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select the respondents.

Nominations to the Atlantic HMS SEDAR Workshops Advisory Panel are solicited via Federal Register Notice (attached) and via email to the Atlantic HMS mailing list. Roll out calls are also made to qualified individuals that have expressed interest in participating in the past to inform them when NMFS is actively soliciting nominations.

**Administration of the Instrument**

1. How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)

[X] Web-based or other forms of Social Media

[ ] Telephone

[ ] In-person

[ ] Mail

[ ] Other, Explain

1. Will interviewers or facilitators be used? [ ] Yes [X] No

**Required Additional Information**

1. Line of Business: Natural Resources

2. Subfunction: Conservation, Marine and Land Management

3. Privacy Act System of Records: n/a

4. Federal Registration citation information: n/a

5. Number of respondents for small entities: 16

6. Percentage of respondents reporting electronically: 100%

**Please submit all instruments, instructions, correspondences (emails, letters, etc.) to respondents, and scripts as separate documents along with this request document.**

**Every instrument must have the following displayed –**

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**Expiration Date: 07/31/2026**