Submitting a Nomination

Nominations for new members should be sent to Dr. Zachary Schakner in the NMFS Office of Science & Technology (see ADDRESSES) and must be received by October 24, 2022. Nominations should be accompanied by the individual’s curriculum vitae and detailed information regarding how the recommended person meets the minimum selection criteria for SRG members (see below). Nominations should also include the nominee’s name, address, telephone number, and email address. Self-nominations are acceptable.

Selection Criteria

Although the MMPA does not explicitly prohibit Federal employees from serving as SRG members, NMFS interprets MMPA section 117(d)’s reference to the SRGs as “independent” bodies that are exempt from Federal Advisory Committee Act requirements to mean that SRGs are intended to augment existing Federal expertise and are not composed of Federal employees or contractors.

When reviewing nominations, NMFS, in consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, will consider the following six criteria:

1. Ability to make time available for the purposes of the SRG;
2. Knowledge of the species (or closely related species) of marine mammals in the SRG’s region;
3. Scientific or technical achievement in a relevant discipline, particularly the areas of expertise identified above, and the ability to serve as an expert peer reviewer for the topic;
4. Demonstrated experience working effectively on teams;
5. Expertise relevant to current and expected needs of the SRG, in particular, expertise required to provide adequate review and knowledgeable feedback on current or developing stock assessment issues, techniques, etc. In practice, this means that each member should have expertise in more than one topic as the species and scientific issues discussed in SRG meetings are diverse; and
6. No conflict of interest with respect to their duties as a member of the SRG.

Next Steps

Following review, nominees who are identified by NMFS as potential new members must be vetted and cleared in accordance with Department of Commerce policy. NMFS will contact these individuals and ask them to provide written confirmation that they are not registered Federal lobbyists or registered foreign agents, and to complete a confidential financial disclosure form, which will be reviewed by the Ethics Law and Programs Division within the U.S. Department of Commerce’s Office of General Counsel. All nominees will be notified of a selection decision in advance of the 2023 SRG meetings.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Technology Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice; request for nominations and topic submissions.

SUMMARY: The Technology Advisory Committee (CFTC or Commission) is requesting nominations for membership on the Technology Advisory Committee (TAC or Committee) and is also inviting the submission of potential topics for discussion at future Committee meetings. The TAC is a discretionary advisory committee established by the Commission in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

DATES: The deadline for the submission of nominations and topics is October 6, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Nominations and topics for discussion at future TAC meetings should be emailed to TAC@cftc.gov or sent by hand delivery or courier to Office of Commissioner Goldsmith Romero, c/o Anthony Biagioli, TAC Designated Federal Officer, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581. Please use the title “Technology Advisory Committee” for any nominations or topics you submit. Submissions through the TAC@cftc.gov email address are encouraged.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anthony Biagioli, TAC Designated Federal Officer, at 816–960–7722 or email: ABiagioli@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The TAC was established to assist the Commission in identifying and understanding the impact and implications of technological innovation in the financial services, derivatives, and commodity (including digital-asset commodity) markets. The TAC may provide advice to the Commission on the appropriate level of investment in technology at the Commission to meet its surveillance and enforcement responsibilities and inform the Commission’s consideration of technology-related issues to support the Commission’s mission of ensuring the integrity of the markets and achievement of other public interest objectives. The TAC accomplishes its objectives through public meetings and Committee reports and recommendations. The duties of the TAC are solely advisory and include calling for reports and/or recommendations by the TAC or TAC subcommittee(s), adopting reports and/or recommendations, and transmitting reports and/or recommendations to the Commission. Determinations of actions to be taken and policy to be expressed with respect to the reports or recommendations of the TAC are made solely by the Commission.

TAC members generally serve as representatives and provide advice reflecting the views and interests of the organizations and/or entities that actively participate in the financial services and commodity markets that the Commission oversees, or actively consider legal, risk, or other issues presented by those markets. The representative members serve as a vehicle for communication between the Commission and representatives within the viewpoint categories on technology issues affecting those markets. Depending on the issues faced, the Commission may, from time to time, appoint experts to serve as Special Government Employees (SGEs), or officials of other Federal agencies to serve, on the TAC. If nominated, SGEs will be asked to submit and complete a Confidential Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 450). Members will represent a wide range of perspectives and interests, and these may include the viewpoint categories listed below. The members will be selected to represent a balance of viewpoints that are necessary or appropriate to effectively address the issues to be considered by the TAC. Though the viewpoint categories and precise number of members in any category may vary over time, the Commission anticipates that the TAC will have no more than 40 members who may represent the following viewpoint categories: (i) market participants in the derivatives and commodities markets; (ii) financial technology providers; (iii) market infrastructure firms, like exchanges and clearinghouses; (iv) other segments of the derivatives and commodities
The Defense Acquisition Regulations System has submitted to OMB, for clearance, the following proposed revision and extension of a collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by October 24, 2022.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 237, Service Contracting, and Related Clauses

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defence Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number DARS–2021–0021; OMB Control Number 0750–0006]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 237, Service Contracting, and Related Clauses

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice.