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Atlantic Highly Migratory Species

ATLANTIC HMS EXEMPTED FISHING PERMIT (EFP) APPLICATION

Applicant Name: Richard John Stiglitz
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Exempted Fishing Program

Please plan ahead. NMFS requires 60 days from the date the application is deemed complete to make a determination on issuing the EFP. NMFS may take additional time to analyze the environmental, economic, and social impacts of proposed research if the activity has not been previously analyzed.

- 1) Please list the main purpose and goals of the exempted fishing activity, primarily describing research or project as well as justification for issuance of such a permit.

For example: We are assessing age classes of lemon shark mating aggregations along the coast of Miami Beach, Florida. Capture methods will be a combination of gill net and bottom long lines. We are expecting to routinely encounter large quantities of sub-adult and mature lemon sharks, as well as other elasmobranchs not targeted for research. Lemon sharks will be sexed, measured, tagged with either M-tag or nylon spaghetti tag and released after DNA sample has been taken via fin clip. Upon capture, tail rope and cradle system will be used. Elasmobranchs are not expected to leave the water at any time during work up. None of these encounters listed above will intentionally result in elasmobranch or teleost mortality.

The main goals and objectives of the EFP are to catch and market only lionfish. To do it sustainably, with no impacts to corals, EFH, or endangered species. - By using a modified spiny lobster trap that includes a biodegradable panel. (Pictures attached). All bycatch species will be released immediately back to the water. Detailed records will be kept and observers welcomed.



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2) Have you received an EFP/SRP/LOA/Display Permit for similar activity/research in previous years?

- Yes - No

If yes, when? _____

3) Is this permit request the same as in previous years?

- Yes - No

4) Over how many years will the research take place?

- 1 year - 2 years - 3 years - 4 or more years

5) When will these activities occur?

Dates: The starting date would be if and when the EFP is approved.

6) Where will these activities occur (please select all regions that apply)?

- Gulf of Mexico - South Atlantic - State Waters*
 - North Atlantic - Caribbean Sea - Closed Area/Gear Restricted Zone

If applicable, the specific location within previously marked zone: (South Atlantic - 82.07 - 82.34)
(GOM - 83.09 - 83.38) fishing would only occur between 150' - 300'. This covers sampling in both the SOUTH ATLANTIC & Gulf of Mexico.

*The issuance of an EFP in no way confers any right to collect/harvest species in waters under state jurisdiction. The appropriate state agency must be contacted regarding any collection in state waters, as separate state permits may be required for collection/harvest in state waters.

7) If your research will be in a closed area/gear restricted zone, please describe which areas: _____

n/a

8) Type, size, and amount of collection gear (please select all that apply):



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- Pelagic Long Line (PLL)

- Buoy Gear

- Rod & Reel/Handline

- Bottom Long Line (BLL)

- Gill Net

- Trawl

- Other/ No gear (please specify): (see below) Traps fished on trawl

9) Please provide more information on gear selection and how you will be using gear:

Please note: Weak hooks MUST be used in Gulf of Mexico waters when deploying pelagic long lines.

Type/ Style of hooks used: _____ -N/A

Number of hooks used per set: _____ -N/A

Length of net/mainline: _____ -N/A

10) Please provide more information on individual research trips:

Number of research trips: _____ -N/A

Expected duration of each trip: 3 days -N/A

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- 1) Experimental NOAA approved lionfish trap
- 2) 32 x 26 x 16 1/2 all wire (top entrance)
Spiny Lobster trap with a modified funnel to eliminate lobster and bycatch
- 3) Above trap constructed of wood and wire with modified funnel

(MODIFIED FUNNEL DIMENSIONS 3ⁱⁿ x 6ⁱⁿ)

(STANDARD LOBSTER FUNNEL 5ⁱⁿ x 6ⁱⁿ)

(BIO-DIVERSITY PANEL 6ⁱⁿ x 8ⁱⁿ)



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11) Please list the shark, tuna, swordfish, or billfish species you expect to interact with:

* Note: NMFS will evaluate authorizations allowing the commercial sale of HMS on a case by case basis.

Individual Species	Number of Species				Do you expect to keep parts of the animal (I.e. fin clips)? If so, please indicate which parts below	Do you wish to sell all or part of the animal?*
	Kept	Released Dead	Released Alive	Tagged		
<i>Non Target Species (list below)</i>						
n/a	targeting	only	lionfish	all	bycatch	released



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i) In general, what are your handling techniques for sampling HMS (i.e. tail rope, sling, etc.)? _____

N/A

ii) If subsequent unintentional mortality of a species occurs, do you expect to discard the dead animal, or retain the species for analysis? _____

N/A

iii) If you plan to retain certain species/animals, what becomes of them? _____

N/A

12) If sampling with longline or gillnet gear, have you completed a safe handling and release workshop for protected resources?

- Yes

- No

N/A

Please Note: Exemptions for completing a safe handling and release workshop will not be authorized.

13) Are protected species (i.e., smalltooth sawfish, sea turtles) and/ or marine mammal encounters likely? Please list which species are to be encountered. _____

No

14) If you plan to keep species for public display, please provide a brief description of the holding facility _____

N/A

15) Are activities federally funded?

- Yes

- No

If yes, please describe type, amount, and source: _____



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16) Which individuals should be listed as authorized samplers on your permit? * To be determined

**Please Note: There are certain circumstances which prevent the owner/operator of a vessel to be an authorized sampler (i.e. commercial fishing vessels).*



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Vessel Information

Applications will be deemed incomplete if signature, HMS Permits, and vessel documentation (i.e. U.S. Coast Guard/state registration) are not included. We cannot begin processing your application until it has been deemed complete.
If the applicant's name is different from the vessel owner's name, please fill in the appropriate information.

Participating Vessel(s)¹:

1. Vessel Name: Get Use To It Owner's Name: Richard John Stiglitz
Phone Number: 305 942 9836 Owner's Address: 17346 Keystone Road
Operator's Name: Richard Stiglitz Sugarloaf Key FL 33042

Vessel Documentation Included? Yes No

Vessel ID #: 615390

HMS Fishing Permit Included? Yes No

2. Vessel Name: Miss Barbara Ann Owner's Name: Glenn Hewlett
Phone Number: 305 664 7433 Owner's Address: 815 100th ST
Operator's Name: Glenn Hewlett Marathon FL 33050

Vessel Documentation Included? Yes No

Vessel ID#: 609460

HMS Fishing Permit Included? Yes No

3. Vessel Name: Tammy Owner's Name: Ricardo Diaz
Phone Number: 305 797 2312 Owner's Address: 1025 18th TERR
Operator's Name: Ricardo Diaz Key West FL 33040

Vessel Documentation Included? Yes No

Vessel ID#: 904590

HMS Fishing Permit Included? Yes No

Applicants

Signature: [Signature]

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Date: 4/6/17

¹ Include additional sheets if more than three vessels are needed for the exempted fishing activity

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1 message

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PER HEATHERS EMAIL

Need written answers to the following questions Frank emailed you earlier this week before we can proceed:

- Timing of request / starting date / length of EFP: APRIL 1 – JULY 31
- Timing of exempted fishing / number of trips: AS MANY TRIPS POSSIBLE (WEATHER PERMITTING)
- Number of traps per trawl line: 40
- Description of trawl line (i.e. one buoy line to surface, etc.): ONE BOUY LINE TO SURFACE
- Number of traps deployed per trip: 1,500
- Baited traps? Bait used: YES, COWHIDE / FISH HEADS
- Data collection methods?: TAKE AN OBSERVER OR WHATEVER MEANS NECESSARY OR WEIGH FISH AT DOCK

Let me know if you need anything else.

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