

AMENDMENT TO DIVISION A OF RULES
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At the end of division A (before the short title), insert the following:

1 SEC. ____ None of the funds made available by this
2 Act may be used—

3 (1) to allow or authorize the incidental taking
4 of marine mammals under section 101(a)(5)(A) or
5 (D) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972
6 (16 U.S.C. § 1371(a)(5)(A) or (D)) for geophysical
7 or geological exploration for oil or gas (as those
8 terms are defined in 30 C.F.R. § 551.1), within the
9 specific geographic region described in “Notice;
10 issuance of five incidental harassment authoriza-
11 tions” published in the Federal Register at 83 Fed.
12 Reg. 63,268;

13 (2) to provide an opinion from the Secretary of
14 Commerce under section 7(b) of the Endangered
15 Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. § 1536(b)), on how
16 any such authorization affects an endangered species
17 or its critical habitat; or

1 (3) to prepare or supplement an Environmental
2 Impact Statement or Environmental Assessment
3 pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act,
4 42 U.S.C. § 4321 et seq., and its associated regula-
5 tions, in support of any such authorization.

