DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FROM
UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR OCEANS AND
ATMOSPHERE AND ADMINISTRATOR

TYPE OF ACTION: Add _____ Change __X__ Abolish ______

AUTHORITY DELEGATED TO: Assistant Administrator for Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management

TYPE OF DELEGATION: Administrative

AUTHORITY TO DO WHAT: Re-delegate signature authority to National Ocean Service (NOS) office directors for Federal Register notice entries that are within the mission and assigned responsibilities of their office. Routine notice entries include notifying the public of restoration plans intended to address injuries to natural resources harmed by hazardous substance releases or discharges of oil; announcement of public and advisory council meetings and public hearings; Coastal Non-Point Pollution Control Program approval notices; notices of availability of documents for public comments, and similar notices.

RESERVED AUTHORITY: The above delegations are limited to non regulatory notices within the mission and assigned responsibilities of the office directors. Authority may not be re-delegated below the office director level. All significant FR notices (e.g., financial, precedent-setting, or NOS programmatic, policy-setting or regulatory notices) will continue to require signature at the NOS AA/Deputy level or above.
EFFECTS ON OTHER AUTHORITIES: Amends NOAA Administrative Order 205-11, Code of Federal Regulations and Federal Register, Section 7 - Delegation of Authority; and supersedes NOAA Directives Manual (NDM) 05-29, Delegation of Authority - Signing Federal Register Material, dated 02/21/84.

DELEGATED BY: /S/ Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere and Administrator

EFFECTIVE DATE: Jan 20 2004

CLEARED BY: /S/ J. R. Walpole Jan 31 2004

General Counsel Date