

REDELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FROM
THE NOAA GENERAL COUNSEL
DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY

TYPE OF ACTION: Add _____ Change X Abolish _____

AUTHORITY DELEGATED TO: Chief, General Counsel Enforcement Section

TYPE OF AUTHORITY: Statutory, Regulatory and Administrative

SOURCE OF AUTHORITY: Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1970, as amended;
Department Organizational Order 10-15;
Redelegation from the Under Secretary of Oceans
and Atmosphere to the NOAA General Counsel
(Feb. 22, 2013) (Transmittal #81).

AUTHORITY TO DO WHAT: The Chief of the General Counsel Enforcement
Section is authorized to approve enforcement
actions and settlements or resolutions of
enforcement actions, consistent with the Procedures
Requiring Prior Approval of All Enforcement
Actions established by the NOAA General Counsel
in a memorandum dated January 4, 2017, and any
superseding guidance. Enforcement actions include
all administrative/civil enforcement actions
(including written warnings), proposed referrals for
criminal enforcement actions, proposed referrals to
state, local, Tribal, or foreign governments for
disposition, and referrals for civil forfeiture actions.

RESERVED AUTHORITY: The Chief of the General Counsel Enforcement
Section may not further delegate the above
authorities without written concurrence of the
NOAA General Counsel. Any further delegation
shall not be effective unless it is in writing and
included in the collection of official delegations
maintained by the NOAA Chief Administrative
Officer (and posted on the official NOAA webpage
for official delegations).

Nothing in this Delegation shall preclude the
NOAA General Counsel from exercising any of the
authority so delegated.

EFFECT ON OTHER DELEGATIONS: This Delegation does not affect Transmittal #82 (Feb. 22, 2013) which authorizes each Deputy General Counsel to approve enforcement actions.

APPROVING OFFICIAL: 

Lois J. Schiffer
NOAA General Counsel

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1/4/17