

of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Singapore and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1998 and extends through December 31, 1998.

Effective on September 24, 1998, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit <sup>1</sup>
347/348 .....	1,244,440 dozen of which not more than 659,131 dozen shall be in Category 347 and not more than 512,658 dozen shall be in Category 348.
642 .....	293,883 dozen.

<sup>1</sup> The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1997.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,  
 D. Michael Hutchinson,  
*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*  
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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION**

**Public Information Collection Requirement**

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Off-Exchange Agricultural Trade Options.

**SUMMARY:** The Commodity Futures Trading Commission is planning to renew information collection 3038-0048, Off-Exchange Agricultural Trade Options, which is due to expire January 31, 1999. The Commission has removed the prohibition on off-exchange trade options on the agricultural commodities enumerated in the Commodity Exchange Act pursuant to a three-year pilot program. This information collection contains the recordkeeping and reporting requirements needed to ensure regulatory compliance with Commission rules relating to this issue. In compliance with the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995, the Commission solicits comments to:

- (1) evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) minimize the burden of the collection of the information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before [ ].

**ADDRESSES:** Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should contact the CFTC Clearance Officer, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581, (202) 418-5160.

*Title:* Off-Exchange Agricultural Trade Options.

*Control Number:* 3038-0048.

*Action:* Extension.

*Respondents:* Agricultural Trade Option Merchants.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 32,060.

Respondents	Regulation (17 CFR)	Estimated # of respondents	Annual responses	Est. avg. hours per response
ATMs .....	Parts 3 and 32 .....	3,610	5,915	32,060

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**Jean A. Webb,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION**

**Public Information Collection Requirement**

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to Renew Information Collection 3038-0013: Exemptions from Speculative Limits.

**SUMMARY:** The Commodity Futures Trading Commission is planning to renew information collection 3038-0013, Exemptions from Speculative Limits, which is due to expire February 28, 1999. Section 4a(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act (Act) allows

the Commission to set speculative limits in any commodity for futures delivery in order to prevent excessive speculation. Certain sections of the Act and/or the Commission's Regulations allow exemptions from the speculative limits for persons using the market for hedging and, under certain circumstances, for commodity pool operators and similar traders. This information collection contains the recordkeeping and reporting requirements needed to ensure regulatory compliance with Commission rules relating to this issue.

In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Commission solicits comments to:

- (1) evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) enhance the

quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of the information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before November 23, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should contact the CFTC Clearance Officer, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581, (202) 418-5160.

*Title:* Exemptions from Speculative Limits

*Control Number:* 3038-0013

*Action:* Extension

*Respondents:* Traders

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 36