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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

June 17, 2005.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of 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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8681.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to

the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Forest Service

Title: Forest Products Free Use Permit, Forest Products Removal Permit and Cash Receipt, and Forest Products Sale Permit and Cash Receipt.

OMB Control Number: 0596-0085.

Summary of Collection: Individuals or other Federal agencies that wish to remove forest products from the National Forest must request a permit. 16 U.S.C. 551 requires the promulgation of regulations to regulate forest use and prevent destruction of the forests. To obtain a permit, applicants must meet the criteria at 36 CFR 223.1, 223.2 and 223.5 through 223.13 under which free use or sale of timber or forest products is authorized. Upon receiving a permit, the permittee must comply with the terms of the permit at 36 CFR 216.6 that designate the forest products that can be harvested and under what conditions, such as limiting harvest to a designated area or permitting harvest of only specifically designated material. The collection of information is required to determine if the applicant meets the criteria under which free use or sale of forest products is authorized by the regulations and to ensure that the permittee complies with the regulations and terms of the permit. This information is also needed to allow Forest Service (FS) compliance personnel to identify permittees in the field.

Need and Use of the Information: FS will collect the name, address and tax identification number from person applying for permits. The information will be used by FS to keep a record of persons buying forest products. The information will also be used to ensure that the permittee has not received product values in excess of the amount allowed by regulation in any one fiscal year. Without the forest product removal program, achieving multiple use management programs such as reducing fire hazard and improving forest health on the National Forest would be impaired.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 303,500.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 16,973.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant iSoy Technologies Corporation of Cary, Illinois, an exclusive license to U.S. Patent No. 6,346,236, "Sunscreens from Vegetable Oil and Plant Phenols," issued on February 12, 2002. Notice of Availability of this invention for licensing was published in the **Federal Register** on March 13, 2001.

DATES: Comments must be received within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Room 4-1174, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-5131.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301-504-5989.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Government's patent rights to this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as iSoy Technologies Corporation has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within thirty (30) days from the date of this published Notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the

requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Richard J. Brenner,

Assistant Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Information Collection; Request for Comment; Evaluating Community Knowledge, Beliefs, Attitudes and Preferences Concerning Fire and Fuels Management in Southwestern Forest, Woodland and Grassland Ecosystems

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Forest Service is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on a new, one-time information collection, Evaluating Community Knowledge, Beliefs, Attitudes and Preferences Concerning Fire and Fuels Management in Southwestern Forest, Woodland and Grassland Ecosystems. This collection effort is necessary to obtain information from the citizens of Arizona and New Mexico. The information provided by this study will allow USDA Forest Service land managers to better understand the public's knowledge, beliefs, attitudes and preferences regarding fire and fuels management issues in Region 3 of the USDA Forest Service. This information will assist Forest Service land managers in their efforts to interact more effectively with the public and manage the risks associated with wildland fire.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before August 22, 2005 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice should be addressed to Dr. Carol Raish, USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station, 333 Broadway, SE., Suite 115, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102-3497.

Comments also may be submitted via facsimile to (505) 724-3688 or by e-mail to: craish@fs.fed.us. The public may inspect comments received at USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station, 333 Broadway SE, Albuquerque, NM 87102-3497 during normal business hours. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to (505) 724-3666 to facilitate entry to the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Carol Raish, (505) 724-3666.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339 twenty-four hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Evaluating Community Knowledge, Beliefs, Attitudes and Preferences Concerning Fire and Fuels Management in Southwestern Forest, Woodland and Grassland Ecosystems.

OMB Number: 0596-New.

Expiration Date of Approval: New.

Type of Request: New.

Abstract: Although fire is increasingly recommended as a fuels reduction tool on both public and private lands, controversy often inhibits its use. Insufficient communication and understanding between land managers and the public frequently contribute to these difficulties. If managers do not have adequate information concerning public attitudes and actions concerning wildfire risk reduction behaviors (for example, creating defensible space on their properties by clearing brush and trees from a 30-foot area around the residence), then managers may not make well-informed decisions concerning appropriate communication techniques and needed public education information. In order to design and implement successful, socially acceptable fire and fuels management policies and programs, managers need to better understand the public's knowledge, attitudes and practices concerning wildfire. This project will collect information from the general public residing in Arizona and New Mexico. This type of information from these two states is important given the fire and fuels management decisions facing land managers in this area.

The information will be collected using a mail survey of households located in Arizona and New Mexico. Households will be randomly selected based upon addresses in the two states. Participation in the survey is strictly voluntary.

The survey will be administered by a firm operating under a Research Joint Venture with the USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The type of information collected will include: (1) Attitudes and preferences toward wildfire and fire management alternatives for public lands, (2) risk reduction behaviors that homeowners and individuals have undertaken to minimize wildfire risk, (3) sources of information regarding wildfires and

wildfire risk reduction, and (4) socio-economic information. The data collected will then be analyzed by researchers at the Rocky Mountain Research Station and cooperators. The results will be made available to land managers, the surveyed public, and other interested parties. This information will enhance the ability of decision makers to communicate and understand the public and their preferences regarding fire and fuels management in Arizona and New Mexico. Without this type of information decision makers and the public will continue to interact on the issues without a broad-based understanding of the factors that are important to the general public of Arizona and New Mexico.

Estimate of Annual Burden: 20 minutes.

Type of Respondents: Individuals residing in Arizona and New Mexico.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 2000.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 667 hours.

Comment is Invited

Comment is invited on: (1) Whether this collection of information is necessary for the stated purposes and the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical or scientific utility; (2) 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) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the submission request toward Office of Management and Budget approval.

Dated: June 16, 2005.

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Associate Deputy Chief for Research & Development.

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