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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

October 29, 2007.

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) 720-8958.

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.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: Brucellosis in Sheep, Goats, Horses, and Payment of Indemnity.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0185.

Summary of Collection: Title 7, U.S.C. 8301, the Animal Health Protection Act, authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to take such measures as he deems proper to prevent the introduction or dissemination of any contagious or communicable disease of animals or live poultry from a foreign country into the United States or from one State to another. The agency charged with carrying out this disease prevention mission is the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS). Disease prevention is the most effective method for maintaining a healthy animal population and enhancing APHIS' ability to compete in the world market of animal and animal product trade. Brucellosis is a contagious disease that causes loss of young through spontaneous abortion or birth of weak offspring, reduced milk production, and infertility. It is mainly a disease of cattle, bison, and swine. Sheep, goats, and horses are also susceptible, but are rarely infected. There is no economically feasible treatment for brucellosis in livestock. APHIS will collect information using APHIS forms VS 1-23, Indemnity Claim, VS 4-33, Test Records, and VS 1-27, Permit for Movement of Restricted Animals.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will collect information from the use of official seals and animal identification; indemnity claims, test records, and permits; and the submission of proof of destruction documentation and requests for extension of certain program-related deadlines. The information will provide indemnity to owners of sheep, goats, or horses destroyed because of brucellosis. Without the information, it would make it impossible for APHIS to effectively operate an indemnity program for sheep, goats, and horses destroyed because of brucellosis.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit; State, Local and Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 3.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 2.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Docket No. AMS-TM-07-0121; TM-07-10]

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), this notice announces the Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) intention to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget, for an extension of the currently approved information collection for OMB 0581-0229 "Form TM-28, USDA Farmers Market Application." Copies of this one-time yearly application form to participate in the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farmers Market at 12th Street & Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, may be obtained by calling the AMS Marketing Services Branch contact listed.

DATES: Comments received by December 31, 2007 will be considered.

Additional Information Information or Comments: Contact Errol R. Bragg, Associate Deputy Administrator, Marketing Services Branch, Transportation and Marketing Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), USDA, Room 2646-South, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250; 202/720-8317, or fax 202/690-0031.

Comments should reference docket number AMS-TM-07-0121, TM-07-10 and be sent to Mr. Errol Bragg at the above address or via the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: USDA Farmers Market Application.

OMB Number: 0581-0229.

Expiration Date of Approval: March 31, 2008.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621–1627) directs and authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct, assist, and foster research, investigation, and experimentation to determine the best methods of processing, preparation for market packaging, handling, transporting, distributing, and marketing agricultural products, 7 U.S.C. 1622(a). Moreover, 7 U.S.C. 1622(f) directs and authorizes the Secretary to conduct and cooperate in consumer education for more effective utilization and greater consumption of agricultural products. In addition, 7 U.S.C. 1622(n) authorizes the Secretary to conduct services and to perform activities that will facilitate the marketing and utilization of agricultural products through commercial channels.

On December 23, 2005, the AMS published a final rule in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 76129) to implement established regulations and procedures under 7 CFR Part 170 for AMS to operate the USDA Farmers Market, specify vendor criteria and selection procedures, and define guidelines to be used for governing the USDA Farmers Market annually on 12th Street and Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC. A one-time yearly submission information collection in a required application form was also established.

The information collection in *Form TM-28, USDA Farmers Market Application* is required by farms or businesses participating at the USDA Farmers Market. The information allows AMS the means of reviewing the type of products available for sale and selecting participants for the annual market season. The type of information within the application includes: (1) Certification the applicant is the owner or representative of the farm or business; (2) applicant contact information including name(s), address, phone number, and email address; (3) farm or business location; (4) types of products grown; (5) business practices; and (6) insurance coverage.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.08 hours per response.

Respondents: Farmers and/or vendors completing the application to participate in the USDA Farmers Market.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 1.66 hours.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed 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 those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments may be sent to Errol R. Bragg at the address listed under section "Additional Information or Comments" or to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Washington, DC 20503. Comments must be received by December 31, 2007. All comments received by AMS will be available for public inspection during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, at the same address; and can be viewed via the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: October 29, 2007.

Lloyd Day,

Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Information Collection: Measurement Service Requests

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of re-opening of a public comment period.

SUMMARY: The Farm Service Agency (FSA) is reopening and extending the comment period for 30 days to allow any interested individuals and organizations to provide their comments on the amended estimated total annual burden for the new information collection associated with the

Measurement Service Requests. The amended estimate adds the respondent's travel time for the information collection associated with the Measurement Service Requests, which was inadvertently left out of the previous burden estimate. FSA published the original notice and request for comments in the **Federal Register** on Friday, May 11, 2007 (72 FR 26774). FSA will accept all public comments received from May 11 to the closing date identified in this notice.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by December 3, 2007.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit comments on this notice. In your comment, include the volume, date, and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

E-Mail: Send comments to:

Maryann.ball@wdc.usda.gov.

Fax: (202) 720-5233.

Mail: Farm Service Agency, USDA, Attn: Mary Ann Ball, Regulatory Review Group, USDA, FSA, STOP 0572, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, 20250-0572.

Comments also should be sent to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Ann Ball, Regulatory Review Group, (202) 720-4283.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The information collection is described in the notice published on May 11, 2007 (72 FR 26774). (See that notice for information in the following categories: OMB control number, type of request, and abstract.) The following information is provided to amend the estimated total annual burden and to include travel time in the estimated total annual burden and to correct the calculation of the estimated total annual burden on respondents.

Title: Management Service Requests (FSA-409).

Estimate of Annual Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .25 hours (15 minutes) per response. The average travel time, which is included in the total annual burden, is estimated to be 1 hour per respondent.

Respondents: Producers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 135,000.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 135,000.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 168,750.