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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

January 9, 2009.

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.

National Agricultural Statistics Service

Title: Field Crops Production. OMB Control Number: 0535–0002. Summary of Collection: One of the National Agricultural Statistics Services' (NASS) primary functions is to prepare and issue current state and national estimates of crop and livestock production, prices, and disposition. The general authority for these data collection activities is granted under U.S. Code Title 7, Section 2204. NASS collects information on field crops to monitor agricultural developments across the country that may impact on the nation's food supply. To help set these estimates, field crops production data is collected. NASS will collect information through the use of mail, telephone, and personnel interviews surveys.

Need and Use of the Information:
NASS collects information on field
crops to monitor agricultural
developments across the country that
may impact on the nation's food supply.
The Secretary of Agriculture uses
estimates of crop production to
administer farm program legislation and
to make decisions relative to the exportimport programs. Collecting this
information less frequently would
eliminate the data needed to keep the
Department abreast of changes at the
State and national level.

Description of Respondents: Farms; Business or other for-profits. Number of Respondents: 609,600. Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Weekly, Monthly, Quarterly, Annually. Total Burden Hours: 175,590.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Summer Food Service Program; 2009 Reimbursement

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice informs the public of the annual adjustments to the reimbursement rates for meals served in the Summer Food Service Program for Children. These adjustments address changes in the Consumer Price Index, as required under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act. The 2009 reimbursement rates are presented as a combined set of rates to highlight simplified cost accounting procedures that are extended nationwide by enactment of the Fiscal Year 2008 Consolidated Appropriations Act. The 2009 rates are also presented individually, as separate operating and administrative rates of reimbursement, to show the effect of the Consumer Price Index adjustment on each rate.

DATES: Effective Date: January 1, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie Brewer, Head, CACFP and SFSP Section, Policy and Program Development Branch, Child Nutrition Division, Food and Nutrition Service, United States Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 640, Alexandria, Virginia 22302, 703–305–2590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Program is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.559 and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372 which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials (7 CFR part 3015, subpart V, and final rule-related notice published at 48 FR 29114, June 24, 1983).

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501– 3518), no new recordkeeping or reporting requirements have been included that are subject to approval from the Office of Management and Budget.

This notice is not a rule as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601–612) and thus is exempt from the provisions of that Act. Additionally, this notice has been determined to be exempt from review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866.

Definitions

The terms used in this notice have the meaning ascribed to them under 7 CFR part 225 of the Summer Food Service Program regulations.