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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Consolidated Farm Service Agency

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Consolidated Farm Service Agency.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Consolidated Farm Service Agency's (CFSA) intention to request an extension for currently approved information collections in support of the payment eligibility determination requirements for the Price Support, Production Adjustment and Conservation Reserve Programs.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before January 29, 1996 to be assured consideration.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS: Contact Greg Tonkinson, Agricultural Program Specialist, Compliance and Production Adjustment Division, CFSA, USDA, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, DC 20013, (202) 690-0926.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Payment Limitation and Determination of Eligibility of Foreign Individuals or Entities to Receive Program Benefits.

OMB Number: 0560-0096.

Approval Date of Expiration: February 29, 1996.

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

Abstract: The collection of this information is necessary to determine the maximum eligibility of individuals or entities for program payments for various programs administered by CFSA including price support programs, and the conservation reserve programs. The regulations at 7 CFR Part 1497 provide for an "actively engaged in farming"

status determination be made for individuals or entities, with respect to a particular farming operation, in order to determine their eligibility for payments under covered programs. These programs impact a potential participant universe of 2,000,000 respondents. Forms CCC-502A, CCC-502B, CCC-502C, CCC-502D, CCC-502EZ, CCC-501A, and CCC-501B will continue to be used for making determinations under part 1497, as will ASCS-561, ASCS-561A, and ASCS-561B, which are used for these purposes in connection with the CRP.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to be 52 minutes per response.

Respondents: Persons who, as owner, landlord, tenant, or sharecropper, share in the risk of producing the crop, or who otherwise are participants in CFSA programs subject to payment limitations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 356,800

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1 per year

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 307,985

Send comments regarding the accuracy of the burden, and ways to minimize the burden, including possible uses of alternative information techniques or technology, or any other aspect of this collection or information to the individual listed above.

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

Signed at Washington, DC, on November 22, 1995.

Bruce R. Weber,

Acting Administrator, Consolidated Farm Service Agency.

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Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Opportunity for Designation in the Central Illinois (IL) and Plainview (TX) Areas

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act), provides that official agency designations will end not later than triennially and may be renewed. The designations of Central Illinois Grain Inspection, Inc. (Central Illinois), and Plainview Grain Inspection and Weighing Service, Inc. (Plainview), will end May 31, 1996, according to the Act, and GIPSA is asking persons interested in providing official services in the Central Illinois and Plainview areas to submit an application for designation.

DATES: Applications must be postmarked or sent by telecopier (FAX) on or before January 2, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted to Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, GIPSA, USDA, Room 1647 South Building, P.O. Box 96454, Washington, DC 20090-6454. Telecopier (FAX) users may send applications to the automatic telecopier machine at 202-690-2755, attention: Janet M. Hart. If an application is submitted by telecopier, GIPSA reserves the right to request an original application. All applications will be made available for public inspection at this address located at 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., during regular business hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet M. Hart, telephone 202-720-8525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

This action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and Departmental Regulation 1512-1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

Section 7(f)(1) of the Act authorizes GIPSA's Administrator to designate a qualified applicant to provide official services in a specified area after determining that the applicant is better able than any other applicant to provide such official services. GIPSA designated Central Illinois, main office located in Bloomington, Illinois, and Plainview, main office located in Plainview, Texas, to provide official inspection services under the Act on June 1, 1993.

Section 7(g)(1) of the Act provides that designations of official agencies shall end not later than triennially and may be renewed according to the criteria and procedures prescribed in Section 7(f) of the Act. The designations