

Without the provisions of this regulation, RHS would be unable to provide the necessary guidance to the RHS field staff to assist borrowers in processing servicing actions affecting their projects. RHS also would not be able to quickly respond to servicing requests from borrowers, initiate servicing actions or establish a uniform procedure for processing such requests from borrowers. RHS must be able to assure Congress and the general public that all projects financed with multiple family housing funds will be maintained for the purposes for which they are intended and for the benefit of those they are mandated to serve.

The Housing and Community Development Act of 1987 required that rural rental housing borrowers wishing to prepay their RHS financed loans must be offered a fair incentive to not prepay the loan when RHS makes the decision that the housing continues to be needed to serve low- and moderate-income tenants. If the borrower rejects the incentive, the housing must be offered for sale to a non-profit organization. Prepayment can only be accepted if RHS decided there is no need for the housing or if no nonprofit organization can be found to purchase the project at fair market value.

The information required is collected on a project-by-project basis and is in accordance with the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, so that RHS can provide guidance and be assured of compliance with the terms and conditions of loan, grant, and/or subsidy agreements.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.3 hours per response.

Respondents: Individuals or households, state or local governments, farms, businesses or other for-profits, non-profit institutions, existing borrowers, transferors and/or transferees.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 300.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.4.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 547 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Barbara Williams, Regulations and Paperwork Management Division, at (202) 720-9725.

Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of RHS, including whether the information will have

practical utility; (b) the accuracy of RHS's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (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. Comments may be sent to Barbara Williams, Regulations and Paperwork Management Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Stop 0743, Washington, DC 20250. 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.

Dated: July 14, 1996.
Maureen Kennedy,
Administrator, Rural Housing Service.
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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed additions to procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received proposals to add to the Procurement List services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: August 26, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Square 3, Suite 403, 1735 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3461.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a) (2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the possible impact of the proposed actions.

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, all entities of the Federal Government (except as otherwise indicated) will be required to

procure the services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the services to the Government.

2. The action does not appear to have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the services.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the services proposed for addition to the Procurement List. Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

The following services have been proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Administrative Services

Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office,
Sheppard Building, Sheppard Air Force
Base, Texas
NPA: Work Services Corporation, Wichita
Falls, Texas

Grounds Maintenance

Marine Corps Air Station, New River,
Jacksonville, North Carolina
NPA: Coastal Enterprises of Jacksonville,
Inc., Jacksonville, North Carolina

Janitorial/Grounds Maintenance

Calexico East Border Station, Calexico,
California
NPA: Association for Retarded Citizens—
Imperial Valley, El Centro, California

Janitorial/Grounds Maintenance

U.S. Mint, San Francisco, California
NPA: Toolworks, Inc., San Francisco,
California

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Executive Director.

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