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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

November 1, 1996.

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 these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notice. Comments should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, D.C. 20503 and to Department Clearance Officer, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, D.C. 20250-7602. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-6204 or (202) 720-6746.

• Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

  Title: Animal Welfare.

  Summary: Information collected includes health certificates, program of veterinary care, application for license and record of acquisition, disposition and transportation of animals.

  Need and Use of the Information: The information is used to ensure that dealers, exhibitors, research facilities, carriers, etc. are in compliance with the Animal Welfare Act and regulations and standards promulgated under authority of the Act.

  Description of Respondents: Business of other for-profit

  Number of Respondents: 8,564.

  Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping: reporting; On occasion; weekly; semi-annually; annually.

  Total Burden Hours: 100,262.

• Food and Consumer Service

  Title: Federal-State Special Supplemental Food Program Agreement

  Summary: This collection is the contract between USDA and WIC State agencies, which empower the Department to release funds to the States for the administration of the WIC program in the jurisdiction of the State in accordance with the provisions of 7 CFR Part 246.

  Need and use of the Information: Data is needed to monitor compliance with the provisions of the program.

  Description of Respondents: State, Local, or Tribal Government; individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; farms; Federal Government

  Number of Respondents: 100.

  Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: Annually.

  Total Burden Hours: 20.

• Foreign Agricultural Service

  Title: Financing Commercial Sales of Agricultural Commodities Under Title I, Public Law 480

  Summary: Title I, of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 provides for U.S. Government financing of sales of U.S. agricultural commodities to foreign countries.

  Within the U.S. government, the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) of the Department of Agriculture (USDA) is responsible for administering Title I agreements.

  Need and Use of the Information: The data is needed to administer the program within the guidelines set forth under the Act.

  Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

  Number of Respondents: 73.

  Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion.

  Total Burden Hours: 455.

• Commodity Credit Corporation

  Title: General Regulations Governing Commodity Loans for 1996 and Subsequent Crops—7 CFR Part 1421.

  Summary: The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to make loans available to eligible producers on eligible commodities.

  Need and Use of the Information: These requirements are needed to ensure the integrity of the loan program and that only eligible producers receive the benefits of the loan program. Without enforcing this authority, CCC could not meet its responsibilities.

  Description of Respondents: Farms.

  Number of Respondents: 364,240.

  Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion; annually.

  Total Burden Hours: 438,740.

• Agricultural Marketing Service

  Title: Raisins Produced from Grapes Grown in California, Marketing Order No. 989.

  Summary: The market order sets provision regulating the handling of raisins grown from grapes produced in California. Information is collected on production, handling, and disposition of the crop.

  Need and Use of the Information: The information is used to recommend marketing policy, handler compliance, levy assessments, and to prepare periodic reports.

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

  Number of Respondents: 1,084.

  Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion; weekly; quarterly; annually; biennially.

  Total Burden Hours: 2,543.

• Food and Consumer Service

  Title: Determining Eligibility for Free and Reduced Price Meals and Free Milk—7 CFR Part 245.

  Summary: Part 245 sets forth policies and procedures for use by State agencies and local level organizations administering the USDA child nutrition programs in providing meals free or at reduced price to eligible children.

  Need and Use of the Information: Information is needed to determine which children are eligible for benefits. State agencies, schools, and nonprofit institutions participating shall keep such accounts and records as may be necessary to determine whether there has been compliance with the Act and the associated regulations.

  Description of Respondents: Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Government.

  Number of Respondents: 4,260,648.

  Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: Annually; Biennially; Triennially.

  Total Burden Hours: 1,027,525.

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