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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

October 31, 1997.

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), Washington, DC 20503 and to Department 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) 720-6746.

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.

#### • Farm Service Agency

*Title:* Request for FSA County Committee Ballot and Declaration of Eligibility to Vote.

*OMB Control Number :* 0560—New.

*Summary of Collection:* Information will be collected from persons requesting eligibility to vote in county committee elections.

*Need and Use of the Information:* The information will be used to ensure as many eligible voters as possible receive an FSA County Committee election ballot.

*Description of Respondents:* Farms.

*Number of Respondents:* 5,000.

*Frequency of Responses:* Reporting: Once.

*Total Burden Hours:* 400.

Emergency processing of this submission has been requested.

#### • Food and Consumer Service

*Title:* Quality Control Review Schedule.

*OMB Control Number :* 0584-0299.

*Summary of Collection:* The Quality Control Review Schedule collects both quality control and case characteristic data. The information needed to complete this form is obtained from the Food Stamp case record and State quality control findings.

*Need and use of the Information:* The information is used to monitor and reduce errors, develop policy strategies, and analyze household characteristic data.

*Description of Respondents:* State, Local or Tribal Government; Individuals or households; Federal Government.

*Number of Respondents:* 57,236.

*Frequency of Responses:* Recordkeeping; Recording: Weekly; Monthly.

*Total Burden Hours:* 61,499.

#### Donald Hulcher,

*Departmental Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. 95-078-5]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; OMB Approval Received

**AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Office of Management and Budget's approval of a collection of information contained in the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service final rule amending the regulations for the humane treatment of dogs under the Animal Welfare Act by removing the provisions for tethering dogs as a means of primary enclosure.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Gregg Ramsey, APHIS Information Collection Coordinator, AIM, APHIS, suite 2C11, 4700 River Road Unit 103, Riverdale, MD 20737-1235, (301) 734-5682.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On August 13, 1997, we published in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 43272-43275, Docket No. 95-078-2) a final rule amending the regulations at 9 CFR parts 1 and 3, "Humane Treatment of Dogs; Tethering." This rule contains information collection requirements. On October 3, 1997, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the collection of information requirements with respect to this final rule under OMB control number 0579-0093 (expires April 30, 2000).

Done in Washington, DC, this 30th day of October 1997.

#### Craig A. Reed,

*Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.*

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