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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Federal Invention Available for Licensing and Intent To Grant Exclusive License

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability and intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Federally owned inventions U.S. Serial No. 08/974,938, filed November 11, 1997, entitled "Biocontrol agents for Take-All" and its continuation-in-part U.S. Serial No. 08/994,035, filed December 18, 1997, entitled, "Transgenic Strains for Biocontrol of Plant Root Diseases" are available for licensing and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to Eco Soil Systems, Inc., of San Diego, California, an exclusive license to Serial No. 08/974,938 and Serial No. 08/994,035.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 9, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, Room 415, Building 005, BARC-West, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-2350.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301-504-5989.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Government's patent rights to this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as Eco Soil Systems, Inc., has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within ninety (90) days from the date of

this published Notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Richard M. Parry, Jr.,

Assistant Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission For OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: Bureau of the Census.

Title: Annual Trade Report.

Form Number(s): B-450, B-451.

Agency Approval Number: 0607-0195.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 2,221 hours.

Number of Respondents: 5,750.

Avg Hours Per Response: 23 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The Bureau of the Census conducts the Annual Trade Survey to collect annual sales, purchases, year-end inventory, inventory valuation methods, legal form of organization, cost of goods sold, and gross margin data from a sample of wholesalers who are contained in the Census Bureau's Standard Statistical Establishment List (SSEL). We tabulate the annual wholesale trade data to benchmark data from our Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey. The Bureau of Economic Analysis incorporates the wholesale trade data in its calculations of the gross domestic product. Other government agencies and businesses use the published estimates to gauge the current trends of the economy. We are submitting this request as a revision because of a change in our sample strategy. We have selected a new slightly larger sample in order to maintain high quality in the tabulated results.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13, USC, Sections 182, 224, and 225.

OMB Desk Officer: Nancy Kirkendall, (202) 395-7313.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Nancy Kirkendall, OMB Desk Officer, room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: June 8, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Boundary and Annexation Survey

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before August 10, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Nancy Goodman, Geography Division, Bureau of the Census, WP 1, Room 326, Washington, DC 20233, or call (301) 457-1099.