

organization or public agency 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 0.6 hours per response.

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

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 800.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 1.15.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 587 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Barbara Williams, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, Support Services Division, Branch, at (202) 692-0045.

#### 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 Branch, Support Services Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, STOP 0742, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, 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 21, 1999.

**Eileen Fitzgerald,**

*Acting Administrator, Rural Housing Service.*

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#### COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

##### Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Vermont Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Vermont Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 1:00 p.m. on August 20, 1999, at the Vermont State Retirement System, Conference Room 2, 133 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont 05633. The Committee will review its past civil rights monitoring activity, hear from invited guests on the role of private industry in addressing racial harassment in Vermont communities, and plan its next project.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Committee Chairperson Kimberly B. Cheney, 802-229-0334, or Ki-Taek Chun, Director of the Eastern Regional Office, 202-376-7533 (TDD 202-376-8116). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, July 21, 1999.

**Carol-Lee Hurley,**

*Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (DoC) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 5).

*Agency:* Economic Development Administration (EDA).

*Title:* Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Guidelines.

*Form Number:* Not Applicable.

*OMB Approval Number:* 0610-0093.

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

*Burden:* 33,150 hours.

*Average Hours Per Response:* (1) Initial CEDS for Districts and other EDA supported Planning Organizations—240 hours; (2) CEDS Document for non-districts and non-EDA supported organizations—25 hours; (3) Annual CEDS Report—50 hours; and (4) CEDS Update—75 hours.

*Number of Respondents:*

Approximately 640 respondents.

*Needs and Uses:* The information is needed by EDA to ensure that areas served by an EDA supported planning organization have or are developing a continuous community-based planning process and have thoroughly thought out what type of economic development is needed in the area to alleviate unemployment, underemployment, and/or depressed incomes. This information is required under the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended, including the comprehensive amendments by the Economic Development Administration Reform Act of 1998, Public Law 105-393, (PWEDA). The information is used by EDA to determine: if statutory requirements are met on eligibility for projects for public works and economic adjustment (except for strategy/planning); district designation requirements; and for planning requirements are met. CEDS is the foundation for most of EDA's programs. CEDS is a continuous and broad based and diverse process put in place to describe and to address economic distress through a particular economic development project(s) activity(es).

*Affected Public:* State, local or Tribal Government and not-for profit organizations.

*Frequency:* One time for Initial Document, Annual for Report, and Updates are due every 5 years for districts and other EDA-supported Planning Organizations.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*OMB Desk Officer:* David Rostker, (202) 395-7340.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DoC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230. (or via the Internet at LEngelme@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this