

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Rural Housing Service****Rural Business-Cooperative Service****Rural Utilities Service****Farm Service Agency****Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection**

AGENCIES: Rural Housing Service, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Rural Utilities Service, and Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed Collection; Request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Agencies' intention to request an extension for a currently approved information collection in support of the Agencies' use of supervised bank accounts (SBA).

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by August 9, 2004, to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet Stouder, Deputy Director, Multi-Family Housing Portfolio Management Division, RHS, STOP 0782, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0782. Telephone: (202) 720-9728.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 7 CFR 1902-A, Supervised Bank Accounts.

OMB Number: 0575-0158.

Expiration Date of Approval: January 31, 2005.

Type of Request: Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection.

Abstract: The Agencies extend financial assistance to applicants that do not qualify for loans under commercial rates and terms.

The Agencies use SBAs as a temporary mechanism to (1) ensure correct disbursement and expenditure of all funds designated for a project; (2) help a borrower properly manage its financial affairs; and (3) ensure that the Government's security is protected adequately from fraud, waste, and abuse.

SBAs are mandatory for Multi-Family Housing (MFH) reserve accounts. The MFH funds must be kept in the SBA for the full term of a loan. Any funds withdrawn for disbursement for an authorized purpose require a countersignature from an Agency official.

This regulation prescribes the policies and responsibilities for the use of SBAs. In carrying out their mission as a supervised credit Agency, this regulation authorizes the use of supervised accounts for the disbursement of funds. The use may be necessitated to disburse Government funds consistent with the various stages of any development (construction) work actually achieved. On limited occasions, a supervised account is used to provide temporary credit counseling and oversight of those being assisted who demonstrate an inability to handle their financial affairs responsibly. Another use is for depositing multi-housing reserve account funds in a manner requiring Agency co-signature for withdrawals. Multi-housing reserve account funds are held in a sinking fund for the future capital improvement needs for apartment projects. Supervised accounts are established to ensure Government security is adequately protected against fraud, waste, and abuse.

The legislative authority for requiring the use of supervised accounts is contained in section 339 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (CON ACT), as amended (7 U.S.C. 1989), and section 510 of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1480). These provisions authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make such rules and regulations as deemed necessary to carry out the responsibilities and duties the Government is charged with administering.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to average .42 hours per response.

Respondents: The primary respondents are small businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20,000.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 3.1.

Estimated Number of Responses: 62,000.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 26,260 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Tracy Givelekian, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, at (202) 692-0039.

Comments: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agencies, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of Agencies' 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 Tracy Givelekian, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, 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: June 1, 2004.

James R. Little,

Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

Dated: May 20, 2004.

Hilda Legg,

Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.

Dated: May 18, 2004.

James C. Alsop,

Administrator, Rural Housing Service.

Dated: May 19, 2004.

John Hosso,

Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

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

Agency: Technology Administration.
Title: Global Positioning System (GPS) Industry Study.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: None.

Type of Review: Emergency submission.

Burden Hours: 250.

Number of Respondents: 200.

Average Hours Per Response: 1.25 hours.

Needs and Uses: This information is to be collected from all known producers of Global Positioning System (GPS) equipment. It will be used to develop a public report describing the size and characteristics of the GPS manufacturing industry, and its economic impact on the United States.

The dissemination of this information will provide a service to businesses and investors involved in the GPS industry. The information will also be used within the U.S. Government to inform ongoing policy and budget decisions related to the GPS program.

Affected Public: Business and for-profit organizations.

Frequency: One-time.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Kristy LaLonde, (202) 395-3087.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent by June 16, 2004 to Kristy LaLonde, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number 202-395-5806, or KLalonde@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: June 4, 2004.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Materials Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Materials Technical Advisory Committee will meet on July 15, 2004, 10:30 a.m., Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3884, 14th Street between Constitution & Pennsylvania Avenues, NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration with respect to technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to materials and related technology.

Agenda

Public Session

1. Opening remarks and introductions.
2. Presentation of papers and comments by the public.
3. Discussion of control status of toxic gas monitors.

Closed Session

4. Discussion of matters the premature disclosure of which would be likely to

frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action as described in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B).

A limited number of seats will be available during the public session of the meeting. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. Written statements may be submitted at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to Committee members, the materials should be forwarded prior to the meeting to Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter at Lcarpent@bis.doc.gov.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on May 28, 2004, pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the portion of the meeting dealing with matters the premature disclosure of which would likely frustrate the implementation of a proposed agency action as described in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. app. 2 10(a)1 and 10(a)3). The remaining portions of the meeting will be open to the public.

For more information, call Lee Ann Carpenter at (202) 482-2583.

Dated: June 7, 2004.

Lee Ann Carpenter,

Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-898, A-469-814]

Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigations: Chlorinated Isocyanurates From the People's Republic of China and Spain

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Initiation of antidumping duty investigation.

DATES: *Effective Date:* June 10, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paige Rivas (Spain) or Sochieta Moth (PRC), Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0651 or (202) 482-0168, respectively.

Initiation of Investigations

The Petitions

On May 14, 2004, the Department of Commerce (the Department) received petitions on imports of chlorinated isocyanurates (chlorinated isos) from the People's Republic of China (PRC), and Spain, filed in proper form by Clearon Corporation and Occidental Chemical Corporation (referred to hereafter as "the petitioners"). On May 19, May 20, May 25, and May 26, 2004 the Department requested additional information and clarification of certain areas of the petitions. The petitioners filed supplements to the petitions on May 24, 2004, and May 28, 2004. On June 2, 2004, Arch Chemicals, Inc., a U.S. importer of chlorinated isos from the PRC and Spain, submitted a letter challenging the assertion made by the petitioners that they represent more than 50 percent of the domestic production of chlorinated isos. The petitioners rebutted this challenge to their industry support on June 3, 2004.

In accordance with section 732(b)(i) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the petitioners allege that imports of chlorinated isos from the PRC and Spain are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value within the meaning of section 731 of the Act and that such imports are materially injuring and threaten to injure an industry in the United States.

The Department finds that the petitioners filed these petitions on behalf of the domestic industry because they are interested parties as defined in section 771(9)(c) of the Act and the petitioners have demonstrated sufficient industry support with respect to the antidumping investigations that the petitioners are requesting the Department to initiate.

Period of Investigations

The period of investigation (POI) for the PRC is October 1, 2003, through March 31, 2004. The POI for Spain is April 1, 2003, through March 31, 2004.

Scope of Investigations

The products covered by these investigations are chlorinated isos. Chlorinated isos are derivatives of cyanuric acid, described as chlorinated s-triazine triones. There are three primary chemical compositions of chlorinated isos: (1) Trichloroisocyanuric acid (Cl₃(NCO)₃), (2) sodium dichloroisocyanurate (dihydrate) (NaCl₂(NCO)₃ • 2H₂O), and (3) sodium dichloroisocyanurate (anhydrous) (NaCl₂(NCO)₃). Chlorinated isos are available in powder, granular,