Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 1661 South Building, STOP 0240, Washington, DC 20250–0240, Fax (202) 720–8871 or call (202) 720–2185; E-mail David.Priester@usda.gov. The revised United States Standards for Grades of Kale will be available either through the address cited above or by accessing the AMS, Fresh Products Branch Web site at: http://www.ams.usda.gov/standards/stanfv.htm.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 203(c) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621–1627), as amended, directs and authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture “To develop and improve standards of quality, condition, quantity, grade and packaging and recommend and demonstrate such standards in order to encourage uniformity and consistency in commercial practices.” AMS is committed to carrying out this authority in a manner that facilitates the marketing of agricultural commodities. AMS makes copies of official standards available upon request. The United States Standards for Grades of Fruits and Vegetables not connected with Federal Marketing Orders or U.S. Import Requirements no longer appear in the Code of Federal Regulations, but are maintained by USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs.

AMS is revising the voluntary U.S. Standards for Grades of Kale using procedures that appear in Part 36, Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations (7 CFR part 36).

Background

On October 1, 2004, AMS published a notice in the Federal Register (69 FR 58879) soliciting comments on the possible revision to the United States Standards for Grades of Kale. In response to our request for comments, AMS received one comment from an industry group in favor of the proposed revision. The group also requested to allow the standards to be used for kale leaves and bunched kale leaves in addition to kale plants.

A second notice was published in the March 11, 2005, Federal Register (70 FR 12172) based on the comment received on the first notice. AMS received one comment from an industry group in response to the second notice. The comment was in favor of the revision to the standard. The favorable comment stated that a well-defined standard for kale shipped in a variety of ways will improve consistency of delivered product and enhance the relevance and effectiveness of USDA inspections. The comment is available by accessing AMS’s Home Page on the Internet at: http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/fpdbocketlist.htm.

Additionally, AMS is eliminating the unclassified category. This section is being removed in all standards, when they are revised. This category is not a grade and only serves to show that no grade has been applied to the lot. It is no longer considered necessary.

Based on comments received and information gathered, AMS believes the revisions to the standards will bring the standards for kale in-line with current marketing practices and thereby improve their usefulness.

The official grade of a lot of kale covered by these standards is determined by the procedures set forth in the Regulations Governing Inspection, Certification, and Standards of Fresh Fruits, Vegetables and Other Products (Sec. 51.1 to 51.61). The United States Standards for Grades of Kale will become effective 30 days after the publication of this notice in the Federal Register.


Dated: June 15, 2005.

Kenneth C. Clayton,
Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. 05–032–1]

Notice of Request for Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Importation of Clementines From Spain

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Extension of approval of an information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service’s intention to request an extension of approval of an information collection associated with regulations for importation of clementines to the United States from Spain.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before August 22, 2005.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

EDOCKET: Go to http://www.epa.gov/foedocket to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once you have entered EDOCKET, click on the “View Open APHIS Dockets” link to locate this document.

Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery: Please send four copies of your comment (an original and three copies) to Docket No. 05–032–1, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3C71, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737–1238. Please state that your comment refers to Docket No. 05–032–1.

Reading Room: You may read any comments that we receive on this docket in our reading room. The reading room is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690–2817 before coming.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For information regarding the importation of clementines from Spain, contact Donna L. West, Senior Import Specialist, Commodity Analysis and Operations, PRI, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 133, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 734–8758. For copies of more detailed information on the information collection, contact Mrs. Celeste Sickles, APHIS* Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 734–7477.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Title: Importation of Clementines from Spain.

OMB Number: 0579–0203.

Type of Request: Extension of approval of an information collection.

Abstract: As authorized by the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7701–7772) (PPA), the Secretary of Agriculture may prohibit or restrict the importation, entry, exportation, or movement in interstate commerce of any plant, plant product, biological control organism, noxious weed, means of conveyance, or other article if the Secretary determines that the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent a plant pest or noxious weed from being introduced into or disseminated within the United States. This authority has been delegated to the Animal and Plant...
Health Inspection Service (APHIS), which administers regulations to implement the PPA. The regulations in “Subpart—Fruits and Vegetables,” 7 CFR 319.56 through 319.56–8, prohibit or restrict the importation of fruits and vegetables into the United States from certain parts of the world to prevent the introduction and dissemination of plant pests, including fruit flies.

Under these regulations, clementines from Spain are subject to certain conditions before entering the United States to ensure that exotic plant pests, such as the Mediterranean fruit fly, are not introduced into the United States. The regulations require the use of information collection activities including a trust fund agreement, grower registration and agreement, a Mediterranean fruit fly management program, fruit fly trapping and control activities, recordkeeping, a phytosanitary certificate, and box labeling.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities for an additional 3 years.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public (as well as affected agencies) concerning our information collection. These comments will help us:

(1) Evaluate 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;
(2) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use, as appropriate, of automated, electronic, mechanical, and other collection technologies; e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Estimate of burden:* The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.000578 hours per response.

**Respondents:** Full-time, salaried plant health officials of Spain’s plant inspection service, and growers and shippers of clementines.

**Estimated annual number of respondents:** 4,515.

**Estimated annual number of responses per respondent:** 3,870.1328.

**Estimated annual number of responses:** 17,473,650.

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service**

[Docket No. 04–133–1]

Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Foreign Animal and Poultry Diseases; Notice of Solicitation for Membership

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

**ACTION:** Notice of solicitation for membership.

**SUMMARY:** We are giving notice that the Secretary has renewed the Advisory Committee on Foreign Animal and Poultry Diseases for a 2-year period. The Secretary is soliciting nominations for membership for this Committee.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to nominations received on or before August 5, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations should be addressed to the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Joe Annelli, Director of Emergency Management Outreach and Liaisons, Emergency Management, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 41, Riverdale, MD 20737–1231; (301) 734–8073.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Foreign Animal and Poultry Diseases (the Committee) advises the Secretary of Agriculture on actions necessary to keep foreign diseases of livestock and poultry from being introduced into the United States. In addition, the Committee advises on contingency planning and on maintaining a state of preparedness to deal with these diseases, if introduced. The Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall be elected by the Committee from among its members. Terms will expire for the current members of the Committee in August 2005. We are soliciting nominations from interested organizations and individuals to replace members on the Committee. An organization may nominate individuals from within or outside its membership. The Secretary will select members to obtain the broadest possible representation on the Committee, in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Regulation 1041–1. Equal opportunity practices, in line with the USDA policies, will be followed in all appointments to the Committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the Committee have taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership should include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

Done in Washington, DC, this 15th day of June, 2005.

Elizabeth E. Gaston,
Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service**

[Docket No. 05–029–1]

Public Meeting; Proposed Design and Development of a Phytosanitary Certificate Issuance and Tracking System

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** We are advising the public that the Plant Protection and Quarantine program of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service will hold a meeting to exchange information and receive input on the proposed Phytosanitary Certificate Issuance and Tracking System, which will improve the efficiency of the Federal phytosanitary certificate issuance process.

**DATES:** The public meeting will be held on July 14, 2005, from 9 a.m. to noon.

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will be held at the USDA Center at Riverside, 4700 River Road, Riverdale, MD.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Jo Ann Morris, Computer Specialist, Program Data Management and Analysis, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road...