

Analysis Division, Kansas City  
Commodity Office, (816) 926-6509.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Brokerage Agreement for the  
Transportation of USDA Commodities.

*OMB Control Number:* 0560-0224.

*Type of Request:* Extension with  
revision.

*Abstract:* CCC, through the Kansas  
City Commodity Office (KCCO), solicits  
bids from brokers for the purpose of  
providing transportation brokerage  
services of agricultural commodities.  
Only approved Intermodal Marketing  
Companies (IMC) will be authorized to  
provide rail trailer-on-flatcar/container-  
on-flatcar (TOFC/COFC) service that  
CCC hires to provide program  
transportation needs. Only approved  
Motor Carriers will be authorized to  
provide over the road trucking service  
that CCC hires to meet domestic and  
export program needs. Intermodal  
Marketing Companies and Motor  
Carriers that choose to broker loads with  
the KCCO Export Operations Division  
(EOD) are required to complete and  
submit the KC-11 (Brokerage Agreement  
for the Transportation of USDA  
Commodities). Completion of the form  
is only required one time. EOD is  
collecting information to determine the  
brokers that are available to meet CCC  
requirements for hauling agricultural  
products for CCC.

*Respondents:* Brokers.

*Respondents:* 47.

*Estimated Number of Annual  
Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on  
Respondents:* 47 hours.

Comments are invited 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 collected; or (d) ways to  
minimize the burden of the collection of  
the 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.

All comments received in response to  
this notice, including names and  
addresses when provided, will be a  
matter of public record. Comments will  
be summarized and included in the  
submission for Office of Management  
and Budget approval.

Signed at Washington, DC, on September  
24, 2005.

**James R. Little,**

*Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit  
Corporation.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Cooperative State Research,  
Education, and Extension Service**

**Notice of Intent To Revise a Currently  
Approved Information Collection**

**AGENCY:** Cooperative State Research,  
Education, and Extension Service,  
USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for  
comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the  
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub.  
L. 104-13) and Office of Management  
and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR  
part 1320 (60 FR 44977, August 29,  
1995), this notice announces the  
Cooperative State Research, Education,  
and Extension Service's (CSREES)  
intention to revise a currently approved  
information collection entitled,  
"Cooperative State Research, Education  
and Extension Service Application Kit  
for Research and Extension Programs."

**DATES:** Written comments on this notice  
must be received by December 2, 2005  
to be assured of consideration.  
Comments received after that date will  
be considered to the extent practicable.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments  
concerning this notice may be mailed to  
Jason Hitchcock, E-Government Program  
Leader, Information Systems and  
Technology Management, CSREES,  
USDA, STOP 2216, 1400 Independence  
Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-  
2216 or sent electronically to:  
[jhitchcock@csrees.usda.gov](mailto:jhitchcock@csrees.usda.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To  
request a copy of the information  
collection, contact Jason Hitchcock,  
telephone:(202) 720-4343 or e-mail:  
[jhitchcock@csrees.usda.gov](mailto:jhitchcock@csrees.usda.gov).

CSREES Forms-2002, -2003, -2004,  
-2005, -2006, -2007, and -2008 are also  
available in PDF and MSWord formats  
on the CSREES Web site, under  
"CSREES Application Forms," at  
[http://www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/  
forms.html](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/forms.html). CSREES Form-2010 is  
available under "Multicultural Scholars  
Application Forms," at [http://  
www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/forms  
multicultural.html](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/forms/multicultural.html).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Cooperative State Research,  
Education, and Extension Service

Application Kit for Research and  
Extension Programs.

*OMB Number:* 0524-0039.

*Expiration Date of Current Approval:*  
March 31, 2006.

*Type of Request:* Revise a currently  
approved information collection.

*Abstract:* The Cooperative State  
Research, Education, and Extension  
Service (CSREES) sponsors ongoing  
agricultural research, extension, and  
education programs under which  
competitive, special, and other awards  
of a high-priority nature are made.  
Before awards can be made, certain  
information is required from applicants  
as part of an overall proposal package.  
In addition to project summaries,  
descriptions of the research, extension,  
or education efforts; literature reviews;  
curricula vitae of project directors;  
other, relevant technical aspects of the  
proposed project; and supporting  
documentation of an administrative and  
budgetary nature also must be provided.

Because of the nature of the  
competitive, peer-reviewed process, it is  
important that information from  
applicants be available in a  
standardized format to ensure equitable  
treatment. Each year, solicitations are  
issued requesting proposals for various  
research, education, and extension areas  
targeted for support. Applicants submit  
proposals for these targeted areas  
following formats outlined in the  
proposal application guidelines  
accompanying each program's  
solicitation. These proposals are  
evaluated by peer review panels and  
awarded on a competitive basis. The  
forms and narrative information are  
mainly used for proposal evaluation and  
administration purposes. While some of  
the information is used to respond to  
inquiries from Congress and other  
government agencies, the forms are not  
designed to be statistical surveys or data  
collection instruments. Their  
completion by potential recipients is a  
normal part of the application to  
agencies which support basic and  
applied science.

In FY 2004, CSREES initiated the  
receipt of applications electronically  
through the Grants.gov ([http://  
www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov)) storefront for limited  
programs. CSREES expects to utilize the  
SF-424(R&R) Application for Federal  
Assistance data set and forms package  
(see 69 FR 53923) along with CSREES  
Agency-specific forms to receive  
applications electronically. The CSREES  
Agency-specific forms have been  
deployed; and, after additional  
operational testing of the forms and  
their instructions, CSREES will again  
make available the option to submit  
applications electronically to CSREES

through Grants.gov. As CSREES transitions to use of the SF-424(R&R), there remains a need for the currently approved information collection entitled, "Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service Application Kit for Research and Extension Programs."

The following information is collected in the "Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service Application Kit for Research and Extension Programs."

*Form CSREES-2002, Proposal Cover Page:* Provides names, mailing and electronic addresses, and telephone numbers of project directors and authorized agents of applicant institutions and general information regarding the proposals.

*Form CSREES-2003, Project Summary:* Lists the Project Director(s) and their institution(s), project title and key words, and a project summary which allows for quick screening and assignment of proposals to peer reviewers.

*Form CSREES-2004, Proposal Budget:* Provides a breakdown of the purposes for which funds will be spent in the event of an award.

*Form CSREES-2005, Current and Pending Support:* Provides information for active and pending projects.

*Form CSREES-2006, National Environmental Policy Act Exclusions:* Allows identification of whether or not the proposal fits one of the exclusions listed for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (7 CFR Part 3407). This information is used in determining whether or not further action is needed to meet the requirements of this Act.

*Form CSREES-2007, Identification of Conflicts of Interest:* Lists the person(s) who are in conflict of interest with the applicant(s). This is used when selecting peer review panels to assure objective reviews.

*Form CSREES-2008, Assurance Statement(s):* Provides required assurances of compliance with regulations involving the protection of human subjects, animal welfare, and recombinant DNA research. This form is to be used for competitive, special, and formula-funded projects.

*Proposal Summary/Proposal Narrative:* Provides a description of the proposed activity for which support is requested including objectives, plan of operation, and the project's significance to higher education in the food and agricultural sciences.

*Form CSREES-2010, Fellowships/Scholarships Entry/Exit Form:* This form will only apply to recipients of a CSREES fellowship or scholarship. The

form will be used to document fellowship appointments and scholarships, pertinent demographic data on the fellows/scholars, and documentation of the progress of the fellows/scholars under the program.

The following information will be collected in the CSREES agency-specific forms when the agency transitions to use of the SF-424(R&R) forms.

*Supplemental Information Form:* This form is to be used by all competitive and special grant programs, and will collect the program name and program code to which the applicant is applying, additional applicant type information, Department of Health and Human Services Payment Management System account information, key words, and conflict of interest information.

*NRI Proposal Type Form:* This form will be used only by the National Research Initiative to collect the specific type of application being submitted.

*Application Modification Form:* This form will be used to indicate the forms or narrative portions of an application that an applicant has changed or corrected.

*Respondents:* Non-profit institutions, State, local, or Tribal governments, and a limited number of for-profit institutions and individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* For applicants: 7,150 each for the Proposal Summary/Proposal Narrative and Forms CSREES-2002, -2003, -2004, -2005, -2006, and -2007; 9,450 for Form CSREES-2008, Supplemental Information Form; 3,000 for the NRI Proposal Type Form; and 1,000 for the Application Modification Form. For grantees: 50 for Form CSREES-2010.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents (calculated based on a survey of grant applicants conducted by CSREES):* The three year total burden on the public is estimated to be 161,029 hours. This burden assumes 156,813 in the first year and 2,108 in each of years 2 and 3 when CSREES transitions to the use of the SF-424 (R&R) forms and CSREES Agency-specific forms. The 161,029 estimated total burden over three years equates to an estimated annual average of burden to the public of 53,676 hours (161,029 ÷ 3).

The individual form burden is as follows: 21,450 hours for Form CSREES-2002, "Proposal Cover Page," (3 hours per response); 3,575 hours for Form CSREES-2003, "Project Summary," (.5 hours per response); 7,150 hours for Form CSREES-2004, "Proposal Budget," (1 hour per response); 7,150 hours for Form CSREES-2005, "Current and Pending Support," (1 hour per response); 1,788 hours for Form CSREES-2006,

"National Environmental Policy Act Exclusions," (.25 hours per response); 3,575 hours for Form CSREES-2007, "Identification of Conflicts of Interest," (.5 hours per response); 4,725 hours for Form CSREES-2008, "Assurance Statement," (.5 hours per response); 107,250 for the "Proposal Summary/Proposal Narrative," (an average of 15 hours per response); and 150 hours for Form CSREES-2010, "Fellowships/Scholarships Entry/Exit Form," (3 hours per response).

For the CSREES Agency-specific forms that will accompany the SF-424 (R&R) forms: 1,788 for the "Supplemental Information" form (.25 hours per response), 240 hours for the "NRI Application Type" form (.08 hours per response), and 80 hours for the "Application Modification" form (.08 hours per response).

*Frequency of Respondents:* Annually.

*Comments:* Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 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 should be sent to the address stated in the preamble.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments also will become a matter of public record.

Done at Washington, DC, this 22nd day of September, 2005.

**Colien Hefferan,**

*Administrator, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

[05-MN-C]

#### Opportunity To Comment on the Applicants for the Minnesota Area

**AGENCY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.