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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

June 30, 2006.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments 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 to be collected; (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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8958.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to

the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

National Agricultural Statistics Service

Title: Vegetable Surveys.

OMB Control Number: 0535-0037.

Summary of Collection: The primary function of the National Agricultural Statistics (NASS) is to prepare and issue current official state and national estimates of crop and livestock production. Vegetable estimates are an integral part of this function. The vegetable program is complex in that some crops are processing only, some are fresh market only, and others are dual crops (both processing and fresh market). Vegetable processors are surveyed the first week of April for their intended acreage of vegetables for processing and the first week of July for acreage contracted. The fresh market vegetable program consists of weekly estimates during the growing season for tomatoes in Florida. NASS will collect information using surveys.

Need and Use of the Information: NASS will collect information to estimate acreage planted and harvested, production, price, and utilization for the various crops. The estimates provide vital statistics for growers, processors, and marketers to use in making production and marketing decisions.

Description of Respondents: Farms; Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 26,720.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually; Other (seasonally).

Total Burden Hours: 3,872.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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Agricultural Research Service

Title: Suggestions for Changes to NAL Agricultural Thesaurus Form.

OMB Control Number: 0518-0035.

Summary of Collection: The National Agricultural Thesaurus is a publication of the National Agricultural Library (NAL). The collection of suggestions for changes to the NAL Agricultural Thesaurus will provide Web site users with the opportunity to suggest the addition of new terminology of interest to them. The thesaurus staff will review each suggestion via a Proposal Review Board and provide feedback to the user.

Need and Use of the Information: Information to be submitted includes, user contact information (name, affiliation, e-mail, phone), the proposed changes to the thesaurus, the field of study or subject area of the term being proposed, justification for the change, and any reference material which the

user would like to provide as background information. The information collected will help NAL thesaurus staff to make improvements to the content and organization of the thesaurus. Failure of the NAL thesaurus staff to collect this information would significantly inhibit public relations with their users.

Description of Respondents: Federal Government; Not-for-profit institutions; Business or other for-profit; State, local or tribal government.

Number of Respondents: 100.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 17.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2006-0083]

National Wildlife Services Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: We are giving notice of a meeting of the National Wildlife Services Advisory Committee.

DATES: The meeting will be held August 1, 2, and 3, 2006, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Joanne Garrett, Director, Operational Support Staff, WS, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 87, Riverdale, MD 20737-1234; (301) 734-7921.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Wildlife Services Advisory Committee (the Committee) advises the Secretary of Agriculture concerning policies, program issues, and research needed to conduct the Wildlife Services (WS) program. The Committee also serves as a public forum enabling those affected by the WS program to have a voice in the program's policies.

The meeting will focus on operational and research activities and will be open to the public. Among the topics to be discussed will be the following:

Wildlife Service's efforts to increase operational capacity through prioritizing research objectives;

Pertinent national programs, including the avian and disease programs and how to increase their effectiveness; and

Ensuring that Wildlife Services remains an active participant in agricultural protection.

Due to time constraints, the public will not be able to participate in the Committee's discussions. However, written statements concerning meeting topics may be filed with the Committee before or after the meeting by sending them to Mrs. Joanne Garrett at the address listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, or may be filed at the meeting. Please refer to Docket No. APHIS-2006-0083 when submitting your statements.

This notice of meeting is given pursuant to section 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2).

Parking and Security Procedures

Please note that a fee of \$2.25 is required to enter the parking lot at the USDA Center. The machine accepts \$1 bills and quarters.

Upon entering the building, visitors should inform security personnel that they are attending the National Wildlife Services Advisory Committee meeting. Identification is required. Visitor badges must be worn at all times while inside the building.

Done in Washington, DC, this 30th day of June 2006.

Elizabeth E. Gaston,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

Notice of Request for Extension and Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) to request an extension and revision of currently approved information collections in support of the Regulations—Financing Commercial Sales of Agricultural Commodities under Title I of Public Law 83-480; Request for Vessel Approval, Form

CCC-105 and Request for Vessel Approval, Form CCC-105 (cotton); and Declaration of Sale, Form FAS-359.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by September 5, 2006.

Additional Information or Comments: Contact William Hawkins, Director, Program Administration Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Stop 1031, Washington, DC 20250-1031, telephone (202) 720-3241.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Regulations—Financing Commercial Sales of Agricultural Commodities under Title I, Public law 480; Request for Vessel Approval, Form CCC-105 and Request for Vessel Approval, Form CCC-105 (cotton); and Declaration of Sale, Form FAS-359.

OMB Number: 0551-0005 (Records and Rule Keeping), 0551-0008 (request for Vessel Approval Form), and 0551-0009 (Declaration of Sale Form) were combined into OMB Number 0551-0005 in 2003.

Expiration Date of Approval: November 30, 2006.

Type of Request: Extension and revision of currently approved information collections.

Abstract: Title I of The Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended, (Pub. L. 83-480) authorizes the CCC to finance the sale and exportation of agricultural commodities on concessional credit terms. Suppliers of commodities and ocean transportation must retain records for 3 years. Prospective commodity suppliers must provide information for the Department to determine eligibility. Commodity suppliers must report details of sales for price approval and submit to USDA, for approval, information on any amendments to the sales. Form FAS-359, "Declaration of Sale," is the written record, signed by the commodity supplier, of the terms of sale as reported by telephone. When signed by the General Sales Manager, it provides evidence of the USDA price approval required for CCC financing. Shipping agents nominated by importing countries must submit information to allow identification of possible conflicts of interest. Shipping agents or embassies submit pertinent shipping information on Form CCC-105 to facilities approval by CCC of shipping arrangements. This approval is necessary to assure compliance with cargo preference requirements at the lowest cost to CCC. Agents submit this document in order that USDA can generate the CCC-106, a necessary payment document. Ocean carriers then receive payment for ocean freight.