

basis are consistent with the APHIS mission of protecting and improving American agriculture's productivity and competitiveness. The National Animal Health Monitoring System (NAHMS) national studies have evolved into a collaborative industry and government initiative to help determine the most effective means of preventing and controlling diseases of livestock.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS plans to conduct the Beef 2007–08 Study as part of an ongoing series of NAHMS studies on the U.S. livestock population. The purpose of this third beef study is to collect information, through questionnaires and biologic sampling, to: (1) Describe trends in beef cow-calf health and management practices, (2) evaluate management factors related to beef quality assurance, (3) describe recordkeeping practices on cow-calf operations, (4) determine producer awareness of bovine viral diarrhea (BVD) and management practices used for BVD control, (5) describe current biosecurity practices and producer motivation for implementing or not implementing biosecurity practices, and (6) determine the prevalence and antimicrobial resistance patterns of potential food-safety pathogens.

This information will help the United States detect trends in the management, production, and health status of the Nation's beef industry over time.

Description of Respondents: Business or Other For-Profit.

Number of Respondents: 4,000.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On Occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 12,742.

On July 13, 2007, the 60-day notice was published as 0579–0079 the agency has decided to submit this as a new collection under 0579–New.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

September 18, 2007.

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) 720–8681.

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Agricultural Marketing Service

Title: Generic Fruit Crops, Marketing Order Administration Branch.

OMB Control Number: 0581–0189.

Summary of Collection: Industries enter into a marketing order program under the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act (AMAA) of 1937, as amended by U.S.C. 601–674. Marketing Order programs provide an opportunity for producers of fresh fruits in specified production areas, to work together to solve marketing problems that cannot be solved individually. Order regulations help ensure adequate supplies of high quality product and adequate returns to producers. Under the market orders, producers and handlers are nominated by their respective peers and serve as representatives on their respective committees/boards.

Need and Use of the Information: The information collected is essential to provide the respondents the type of service they request. The committees and boards have developed forms as a means for persons to file required information relating to supplies,

shipments, and dispositions of their respective commodities. The information is used only by the authorized committees employees and representatives of USDA including AMS, Fruit and Vegetable Programs' regional and headquarters' staff to administer the marketing order programs.

Description of Respondents: Business or Other For-Profit; Farms.

Number of Respondents: 16,043.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting; On Occasion, Quarterly; Biennially; Weekly; Semi-Annually; Monthly; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 8,460.

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Foreign Agricultural Service

Title: Export Sales Of U.S. Agricultural Commodities.

OMB Control Number: 0551-0007.

Summary of Collection: The export sales reporting system provides commodity market participants with information about commodity export commitments, and is one means by which USDA seeks to insure fairness and soundness in commodity marketing. U.S. exports are required to report to the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) information on: (1) The quantity of a reportable commodity to be sold to a foreign buyer; (2) the country of destination; and (3) the marketing year of shipment. The authority to collect this information is found at 7 CFR Part 20 and the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5712).

Need and Use of the Information: The collected information is needed because it provides up-to-date market data for making rational export policy decisions to prevent market disruptions. FAS reports the information to the public so that all market participants can be aware of such sales and can evaluate the effects of exports on supply and demand estimates of production, prices, and sales. If the information is not collected, the Department would not be in compliance with the statutes and not fulfilling the objectives of the export sales reporting program.

Description of Respondents: Business or Other For-Profit.

Number of Respondents: 340.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Quarterly; Weekly.

Total Burden Hours: 42,947.

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Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: Importation Of Animal & Poultry, Animal/Poultry Products, Certain Animal Embryos, Semen, And Zoological Animals.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0040.

Summary of Collection: Title 21 U.S.C. 117, Animal Industry Act of 1884, authorizes the Secretary to prevent, control and eliminate domestic diseases such as brucellosis and tuberculosis, as well as to take actions

to prevent and to manage exotic diseases such as foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest. To fulfill this mission the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) collects pertinent information from those individuals who import animals and poultry, animal and poultry products, zoological animals, or animal germplasm into the United States. APHIS will collect information using several forms.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will collect information on the origin of the animal or product to be imported, the health status of the animal to be imported and whether the animal or product was temporarily offloaded in another country during its journey to the United States. This vital information helps APHIS to ensure that these imports do not introduce exotic animal diseases into the United States. If the information was not collected it would cripple or destroy APHIS ability to protect the United States from exotic animal disease incursions.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit; Farms; Individuals or households; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 77,976.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting; On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 326,125.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: Communicable Diseases in Horses.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0127.

Summary of Collection: Title 21, U.S.C. 117 Animal Industry Act of 1884 authorizes the Secretary to prevent, control and eliminate domestic diseases such as equine infectious anemia, as well as to take action to prevent and to manage exotic diseases such as contagious equine metritis and other foreign animal diseases. The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) regulates the importation and interstate movement of animals and animal products, and conducts various other activities to protect the health of the nation's livestock and poultry. The regulations in 9 CFR 75.4 govern the interstate movement of equines that have tested positive to an official test for EIA and provide for the approval of laboratories, diagnostic facilities, and research facilities.

Need and Use of the Information: The information collected from forms, APHIS VS 10-11, Equine Infectious Anemia Laboratory Test, 10-12, Equine Infectious Anemia Supplemental Investigation and 1-27, Permit for the Movement of Restricted Animals, will be used to prevent the spread of equine