

Notices

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request, Correction

December 1, 2009.

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.

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Food Safety and Inspection Service

Title: Application for Return of Exported Product.

OMB Control Number: 0583–0138.

Summary of Collection: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) has been delegated the authority to exercise the functions of the Secretary as provided in the Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*), the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA) (21 U.S.C. 451 *et seq.*), and the Egg Products Inspection Act (EPIA) (21 U.S.C. 1031 *et seq.*). These statutes mandate that FSIS protect the public by ensuring that meat and poultry products are safe, wholesome, unadulterated, and properly labeled and packaged. In accordance with 9 CFR 327.17, 381.209, and 590.965, exported products returned to this country are exempt from FSIS import inspection requirements upon notification to and approval from the Agency's Office of International Affairs (OIA). Returned product may, however, require re-inspection at a federally inspected facility for food safety and food defense determinations.

Need and Use of the Information: FSIS will collect information using FSIS form 9010–1, “Application for the Return of Exported Products to the United States.” The form allows OIA to decide whether re-inspection of the returned product is needed and to notify the appropriate FSIS office where to perform the re-inspection of the product, if necessary.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 500.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting; On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 2,500.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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Farm Service Agency

Title: Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP).

OMB Control Number: 0560–0263.

Summary of Collection: The Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Conservation and Environment Programs Division has

been tasked with implementing the Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP) authorized by section 9001 of the 2008 Farm Bill (Pub. L. 220–246), which amends Title IX of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 and adds section 9011 for BCAP. On May 5, 2009, the President issued a Presidential Directive to the Secretary of Agriculture to aggressively accelerate the investment in and production of biofuels. The Presidential Directive requests that the Secretary of Agriculture take steps to the extent permitted by law to expedite and increase production of and investment in biofuel development efforts by making renewable energy financing opportunities and including guidance and support for the collection, harvest, storage, and transportation (CHST) assistance of eligible materials for use in biomass conversion facilities.

Need and Use of the Information: Information collected will be collected using forms AD–245 and AD–247. The collected information from eligible biomass owners and biomass conversion facilities meeting the requirements for CHST qualification is necessary in order to ensure the financial accountability needed to operate and administer the BCAP. The information will be used to produce reports, as needed by FSA to inform the public how FSA has administered CHST funds at the State and country levels and to establish a list of CHST qualified biomass conversion facilities.

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

Number of Respondents: 5,600.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 38,700.

Ruth Brown,
Departmental Information Collection
Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to Barron & Brothers International of Cornelia, Georgia, an exclusive license to U.S. Patent

Application Serial No. 12/494,490, "System For Delivering Poultry Litter Below Soil Surface", filed on June 30, 2009.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 4, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Rm. 4–1174, Beltsville, Maryland 20705–5131.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301–504–5989.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Government's patent rights in this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as Barron & Brothers International of Cornelia, Georgia, has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within thirty (30) days from the date of this published notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Richard J. Brenner,
Assistant Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Census Bureau

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Current Population Survey (CPS) Fertility Supplement

AGENCY: U.S. Census Bureau.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before February 2, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Karen Woods, U.S. Census Bureau, 7H110F, Washington, DC 20233–8400 at (301) 763–3806.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The U.S. Census Bureau is requesting clearance for the collection of data concerning the Fertility Supplement to be conducted in conjunction with the June 2010 CPS. The Census Bureau sponsors the supplement questions, which were previously collected in June 2008, and have been asked periodically since 1971.

This survey provides information used mainly by government and private analysts to project future population growth, to analyze child spacing, and to aid policymakers in their decisions affected by changes in family size and composition. Past studies have discovered noticeable changes in the patterns of fertility rates and the timing of the first birth. Potential needs for government assistance, such as aid to families with dependent children, child care, and maternal health care for single parent households, can be estimated using CPS characteristics matched with fertility data.

II. Method of Collection

The fertility information will be collected by both personal visit and telephone interviews in conjunction with the regular June CPS interviewing. All interviews are conducted using computer-assisted interviewing.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607–0610.

Form Number: There are no forms. We conduct all interviewing on computers.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 30,000.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 seconds.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 250.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: There are no costs to the respondents other than their time to answer the CPS questions.