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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

November 10, 2011.

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Food Safety and Inspection Service

Title: Marking, Labeling, and Packaging of Meat, Poultry, and Egg Products.

OMB Control Number: 0583–0092.

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, poultry, and egg products are safe, wholesome, unadulterated, and properly labeled and packaged.

Need And Use Of The Information: FSIS will collect information to ensure that meat, poultry, and egg products are accurately labeled. To control the manufacture of marking devices bearing official marks, FSIS requires that official meat and poultry establishments and the manufacturers of such marking devices complete FSIS form 5200–7, Authorization Certificate and FSIS form 7234–1, Application for Approval of Labels, Marking or Device and FSIS Form 8822–4 Request for Label Reconsideration. If the information is not collected it would reduce the effectiveness of the meat, poultry, and egg products inspection program.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 7,536.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting; On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 128,267.

Ruth Brown,
Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: Swine 2012 Study.

OMB Control Number: 0579–0315.

Summary Of Collection: Collection and dissemination of animal health data and information is mandated by 7 U.S.C. 391, the Animal Industry Act of 1884, which established the precursor of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Services, the Bureau of Animal Industry. The National Animal Health Monitoring System (NAHMS) will initiate the fifth national data collection of swine through the Swine 2012 Study. The Swine 2012 study is part of an ongoing series of NAHMS studies on the U.S.
Swine population. APHIS will collect information using several forms.

Need and use of the Information: The information collected through the Swine 2012 study will be analyzed and organized into descriptive reports and will be disseminated by APHIS to the producers, stakeholders, academia, veterinarians, and any other interested parties. The data collected will also be used to measure change over time from the previous NAHM’s Swine studies. Without this type of national data, the U.S.’ ability to detect trends in management, production, and health status that increases/decreases farm economy either directly or indirectly would be reduced to nonexistent.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.
Number of Respondents: 10,875.
Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Other (one time).
Total Burden Hours: 11,728.

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.
DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 19, 2011.
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 Colorado Serum Company of Denver, Colorado 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 AGRICULTURE
Food Safety and Inspection Service
Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Codex Task Force on Animal Feeding
AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety, USDA.
ACTION: Notice of public meeting and request for comments.
SUMMARY: The Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), and the Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM), Food and Drug Administration (FDA), are sponsoring a public meeting on January 18, 2012. The objective of the public meeting is to provide information and receive public comments on agenda items and draft United States (U.S.) positions that will be discussed at the 6th Session of the Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Task Force on Animal Feeding (AFTF) of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Codex), which will be held in Berne, Switzerland, February 20–24, 2012. The Under Secretary for Food Safety and the Center for Veterinary Medicine, FDA, recognize the importance of providing interested parties the opportunity to obtain background information on the 6th Session of the AFTF and to address items on the agenda.
DATES: The public meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 18, 2012, from 1 p.m.–3 p.m.
ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held in the Jamie L. Whitten Building, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 107–A, Washington, DC 20250. Documents related to the 6th Session of the AFTF will be accessible via the World Wide Web at the following address: http://www.codexalimentarius.org.
Daniel McChesney, U.S. Delegate to the 6th Session of the AFTF, invites