

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

March 21, 2013.

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.

Foreign Agricultural Service

Title: CCC's Dairy Export Incentive Program (DEIP).

OMB Control Number: 0551-0028.

Summary of Collection: The major objective of the Dairy Export Incentive Program (DEIP) is to expand U.S. agricultural exports by paying cash to exporters as bonuses, allowing them to sell U.S. agricultural products in targeted countries at competitive prices. When the program is operational, approximately 100 countries and 3

regions are targeted export destinations and 425 exporters are eligible to participate under the DEIP. Under 7 CFR part 1494, exporters are required to submit the following: (1) Information required for program participation (section 1494.301), (2) performance security (section 1494.401), (3) export sales information in connection with applying for a CCC bonus (section 1494.501), and (4) documentation evidencing export to support payment of the bonus (section 1494.701) In addition, each exporter must maintain accurate records showing sales and deliveries of the eligible commodity exported in connection with an agreement made under the DEIP, as outlined in section 1494.1001.

Need and Use of the Information: The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) collects information from participating U.S. exporters in order to determine the exporters' eligibility for the DEIP program benefits. Program applicants can fax a letter in or applicants may register over the Internet. Information collected from U.S. exporters is used by CCC to manage, plan for, and evaluate the use of, and account for Government resources. Without the application and related information, FAS would be unable to properly qualify U.S. exporters for DEIP.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 9.

Frequency of Responses:

Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 47.

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Clearance Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau.

Title: Construction Progress Reporting Surveys.

OMB Control Number: 0607-0153.

Form Number(s): C-700, C-700(F), C-700(SL), C-700(R).

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden Hours: 54,600.

Number of Respondents: 21,000.

Average Hours per Response: 15 minutes per month.

Needs and Uses: The U.S. Census Bureau is requesting an extension of a currently approved collection for forms C-700, Private Construction Projects; C-700 (R), Multi-family Residential Projects, C-700 (SL), State and Local Governments Projects and C-700 (F), Federal Government Projects.

These forms are used to conduct the Construction Progress Reporting Surveys (CPRS) to collect information on the dollar value of construction put in place on building projects under construction by private companies or individuals, private multi-family residential buildings, and on building projects under construction by federal and state and local governments.

Data for these surveys are collected on a sample basis from federal, state and local agency officials, owners of private nonresidential projects, and owners of private multi-family residential building projects. Total projected cost estimates are requested the first month and monthly progress reports are requested until the project is completed.

The Census Bureau uses the information collected on these forms to publish estimates of the monthly value of construction put in place: (1) For nonresidential projects owned by private companies or individuals; (2) for projects owned by state and local agencies; (3) for multi-family residential building projects owned by private companies or individuals; and (4) for projects owned by the federal government. Statistics from the CPRS become part of the monthly "Value of Construction Put in Place" or "Construction Spending" series, a principal economic indicator that is used extensively by the Federal Government in making policy decisions and used to estimate the gross domestic product (GDP). The private sector uses the statistics for market analysis and other research. Construction now accounts for more than five percent of GDP.

The C-700 is used to collect data on industrial and manufacturing plants, office buildings, retail buildings, service establishments, religious buildings, schools, universities, hospitals, clinics, and miscellaneous buildings. The C-700 (SL) is used to collect data on public schools, courthouses, prisons, hospitals, civic centers, highways, bridges, sewer systems, and water systems. The C-700 (R) is used to collect data on residential buildings and apartment projects with two or more housing units. The C-700 (F) is used to collect data on residential buildings and nonresidential projects

that include office buildings, conservation and development, public safety and health care. Published statistics are used by all levels of government to evaluate economic policy, to measure progress toward national goals, to make policy decisions, and to formulate legislation. For example, Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) staff uses the data to develop the construction components of gross private domestic investment in the gross domestic product. The Federal Reserve Board and the Department of the Treasury use the value in place data to predict the gross domestic product, which is presented to the Board of Governors and has an impact on monetary policy. Private businesses and trade organizations use the data for estimating the demand for building materials and to schedule production, distribution and sales efforts.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit Institutions; Federal Government; State, local or Tribal Governments.

Frequency: Monthly until building project is completed.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C., Section 182.

OMB Desk Officer: Brian Harris-Kojetin, (202) 395-7314.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at jjessup@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Brian Harris-Kojetin, OMB Desk Officer either by fax (202-395-7245) or email (bharrisk@omb.eop.gov).

Dated: March 21, 2013.

Glenna Mickelson,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Determination Under the Textile and Apparel Commercial Availability Provision of the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement ("US-Colombia TPA")

AGENCY: The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

ACTION: Determination to add a product in unrestricted quantities to Annex 3-B of the US-Colombia TPA.

DATES: *Effective Date:* March 27, 2013.

SUMMARY: The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements ("CITA") has determined that certain cotton corduroy fabric, as specified below, is not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the territory of either the United States or Colombia. The product will be added to the list in Annex 3-B of the US-Colombia TPA in unrestricted quantities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maria Dybczak, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3651.

For Further Information On-Line: <http://web.ita.doc.gov/tacgi/PeruTPAReqTrack.nsf/ColombiaPetitions> Approved under "Approved Requests," Reference number: 3.2013.02.22. Fabric.AM&SforBellaBliss

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: The US-Colombia TPA; Section 203(o)(4) of the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act ("US-Colombia TPA Implementation Act"), Public Law 112-42 (October 21, 2011); the Statement of Administrative Action, accompanying the US-Colombia TPA Implementation Act; and Presidential Proclamation No. 8818, 77 FR 29519 (May 18, 2012).

Background

The US-Colombia TPA provides a list in Annex 3-B for fabrics, yarns, and fibers that the Parties to the US-Colombia TPA have determined are not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the territory of any Party. The US-Colombia TPA and the US-Colombia TPA Implementation Act provides that this list may be modified when the President of the United States determines that a fabric, yarn, or fiber is not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the territory of any Party. See Annex 3-B of the US-Colombia TPA; see also section 203(o)(4) of the US-Colombia TPA Implementation Act.

The US-Colombia TPA Implementation Act requires the President to establish procedures governing the submission of a request and providing opportunity for interested entities to submit comments and supporting evidence before a commercial availability determination is made. In Presidential Proclamation 8818, the President delegated to CITA the authority under section 203(o)(4) of the US-Colombia TPA Implementation Act for modifying the Annex 3-B list. Pursuant to this authority, on November 6, 2012, CITA published interim procedures it would follow in considering requests to modify the Annex 3-B list of products determined to be not commercially available in the territory of either the United States or Colombia (*Interim Procedures for Considering Requests Under the Commercial Availability Provision of the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement*, 77 FR 66588) ("CITA's procedures").

On February 22, 2013, the Chairman of CITA received a request for a Commercial Availability determination ("Request") from AM&S Trade Services, LLC on behalf of Bella Bliss, LLC for certain cotton corduroy fabric, as specified below. On February 26, 2013, in accordance with CITA's procedures, CITA notified interested parties of the Request, which was posted on the dedicated Web site for US-Colombia TPA Commercial Availability proceedings. In its notification, CITA advised that any Response with an Offer to Supply ("Response") must be submitted by March 8, 2013, and any Rebuttal Comments to a Response must be submitted by March 14, 2013, in accordance with sections 6 and 7 of CITA's procedures. No interested entity submitted a Response to the Request advising CITA of its objection to the Request and its ability to supply the subject product.

In accordance with section 203(o)(4) of the US-Colombia TPA Implementation Act, and section 8(c)(2) of CITA's procedures, as no interested entity submitted a Response objecting to the Request and providing an offer to supply the subject product, CITA has determined to add the specified fabric to the list in Annex 3-B of the US-Colombia TPA.

The subject product has been added to the list in Annex 3-B of the US-Colombia TPA in unrestricted quantities. A revised list has been posted on the dedicated Web site for US-Colombia TPA Commercial Availability proceedings.