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AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

Board of Directors Executive Session Meeting

Meeting: African Development Foundation, Board of Directors Executive Session Meeting

Time: Tuesday, April 23, 2013 11:15 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.

Place: 1400 Eye Street NW., Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20005

Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Status:

1. Open session, Tuesday, April 23, 2013, 11:15 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. 1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.
2. Closed session, Tuesday, April 23, 2013, 12:15 p.m. to 1:10 p.m.

Please contact Michele Rivard, Chief of Staff, by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 19 if you plan to attend the open session.

Doris Mason Martin,

General Counsel, USAID.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

April 9, 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.

Food and Nutrition Service

Title: Worksheet for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Quality Control Reviews.

OMB Control Number: 0584-0074.

Summary of Collection: State agencies are required to perform Quality Control Reviews for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). In order to determine the accuracy of SNAP benefits authorized by State agencies, a statistical sample of SNAP cases is selected for review from each State agency. Relevant information from the case record, investigative work and documentation about individual cases is recorded on the FNS-380, Worksheet for SNAP Quality Control Reviews. This information, along with supporting documentation, is the basis for the determination of the accuracy of the case. Section 16 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 provides the legislative basis for the operation of the QC system.

Need and Use of the Information: The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) will

use the information from the FNS-380 to record identifying information about the household and to also document and evaluate each step of the field investigation process to determine eligibility and payment amounts under FNS' approved State agency practices.

Description of Respondents: State, Local, or Tribal Government; individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 52,012.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 489,641.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Solicitation of Input From Stakeholders Regarding the Integrated Forest Products Research Program

AGENCY: National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of Request for Stakeholder Input.

SUMMARY: As part of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture's (NIFA) strategy to successfully implement the Integrated Forest Products Research (FPR) program and specifically design a response to current and emerging wood utilization issues, NIFA is soliciting stakeholder input that will allow it to identify the needs and opportunities of the different regions of the country but within a national needs framework. The focus of the stakeholder input is to gather topic areas for research which will be used in developing the priority research areas for the Request for Applications (RFA) in Fiscal Year (FY) 2013.

DATES: All written comments must be received by May 15, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by NIFA-2013-0009, by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Email: policy@nifa.usda.gov. Include NIFA-2013-0009 in the subject line of the message.

Fax: (202) 401-1706.

Mail: Paper, disk or CD-ROM submissions should be submitted to: Catalino Blanche, NPL, Environmental Systems Division, Institute of Bioenergy, Climate and Environment, USDA/NIFA, Mail Stop 2210, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-2210.

Hand Delivery/Courier: Catalino Blanche, NPL, Environmental Systems Division, Institute of Bioenergy, Climate and Environment, USDA/NIFA Room 3271, Waterfront Centre, 800 9th Street SW., Washington, DC 20024.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and reference to NIFA-2013-0009. All comments received will be posted to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Catalino A. Blanche, (202) 401-4190 (phone), (202) 401-1706 (fax), or cblanche@nifa.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Overall the FPR Program provides creative and innovative science and technology and advanced business practices that enhance the domestic and global competitiveness of the U.S. wood products industry. Specifically, it addresses utilization needs of hardwood, southern conifer and western conifer resources. Because of the limited amount of funding for FPR, last year's RFA focused on creating new and improved wood uses and value-added products. Eligibility for the FPR is open to State agricultural experiment stations, land-grant colleges and universities, research foundations established by land-grant colleges and universities, colleges and universities receiving funds under the Act of October 10, 1962 (16 U.S.C. 582a et seq.), and accredited schools or colleges of veterinary medicine.

Background and Purpose

The FPR program was first funded by Congress in the FY 2012 Appropriations as a special research grant to be awarded competitively. The intent is to stimulate the generation of new knowledge and transfer technologies that are necessary to balance the sustainable use of U.S. forest resources and to maintain a vigorous, globally competitive domestic forest products industry. The FPR program is specifically designed to respond to current and emerging wood utilization issues, create new and improved value-added products, and provide technical information for the

production of cross laminated timber from our Nation's wood supply, which are critical to the sustainability of the national economy.

Implementation Plans

NIFA plans to consider stakeholder input received from this notice in developing the FY 2013 RFA. NIFA anticipates releasing the FY 2013 RFA in mid June, 2013.

Done in Washington, DC, this 9th day of April, 2013.

Ralph A. Otto,

Deputy Director, National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

On behalf of the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA), 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: International Trade Administration.

Title: Interim Procedures for Considering Requests under the Commercial Availability Provision of the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act (Act).

Form Number(s): N/A.

OMB Control Number: 0625-0265.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 89.

Number of Respondents: 16 (10 for Requests; 3 for Responses; 3 for Rebuttals).

Average Hours per Response: 8 hours per request; 2 hours per response; and 1 hour per rebuttal.

Needs and Uses: The United States and Peru negotiated the U.S.-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement (the Agreement), which entered into force on February 1, 2009. Subject to the rules of origin in Annex 4.1 of the Agreement, pursuant to the textile provisions of the Agreement, a fabric, yarn, or fiber produced in Peru or the United States and traded between the two countries is entitled to duty-free tariff treatment. Annex 3-B of the Agreement also lists specific fabrics, yarns, and fibers that the two countries agreed are not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner from producers in Peru or the United States. The fabrics listed are commercially unavailable fabrics,

yarns, and fibers, which are also entitled to duty-free treatment despite not being produced in Peru or the United States.

The list of commercially unavailable fabrics, yarns, and fibers may be changed pursuant to the commercial availability provision in Chapter 3, Article 3.3, Paragraphs 5-7 of the Agreement. Section 203(o) of the Act implements the commercial availability provision of the Agreement. Under this provision, interested entities from Peru or the United States have the right to request that a specific fabric, yarn, or fiber be added to, or removed from, the list of commercially unavailable fabrics, yarns, and fibers in Annex 3-B.

Section 203(o) of the Act provides that the President may modify the list of fabrics, yarns, and fibers in Annex 3-B by determining whether additional fabrics, yarns, or fibers are not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the United States or Peru, and that the President will issue procedures governing the submission of requests and providing an opportunity for interested entities to submit comments. The President delegated the responsibility for publishing the procedures and administering commercial availability requests to CITA, which issues procedures and acts on requests through the U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of Textiles and Apparel (OTEXA) (*See* Proclamation No. 8341, 74 FR 4105, Jan. 22, 2009). Interim procedures to implement these responsibilities were published in the **Federal Register** on August 14, 2009 (*See* 74 FR 41111, Commercial Availability Procedures).

The intent of the Commercial Availability Procedures is to foster the use of U.S. and regional products by implementing procedures that allow products to be placed on or removed from a product list, on a timely basis, and in a manner that is consistent with normal business practice. The procedures are intended to facilitate the transmission of requests; allow the market to indicate the availability of the supply of products that are the subject of requests; make available promptly, to interested entities and the public, information regarding the requests for products and offers received for those products; ensure wide participation by interested entities and parties; allow for careful review and consideration of information provided to substantiate requests and responses; and provide timely public dissemination of information used by CITA in making commercial availability determinations.

CITA must collect certain information about fabric, yarn, or fiber technical specifications and the production