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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

September 7, 2018.

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 are requested regarding (1) 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; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (4) 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.

Comments regarding this information collection received by October 12, 2018 will be considered. Written comments should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), New Executive Office Building, 725-17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20502. Commenters are encouraged to submit their comments to OMB via email to: OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. 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 person are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Office of the Chief Financial Officer

Title: Request to Change FEHB Enrollment or to Receive Plan Brochures for Spouse Equity/Temporary Continuation of Coverage Enrollees/Direct Pay Annuitants (DPRS 2809).

OMB Control Number: 0505-0024.

Summary of Collection: Title 5, U.S. Code, Chapter 89, sections 8905 and 8905a specifies the opportunities and conditions under which a retiree, survivor annuitant, separated employee, former spouse or former dependent child of a retiree, employee, or separated employee is eligible to change enrollment in the Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program. DPRS-2809 is completed by the enrollee to make an open season enrollment change.

Need and Use of the Information: The DPRS-2809 is administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Finance Center (NFC) for use by separated employees or former spouses and former dependent children of active or separated employees. NFC determines whether all conditions permitting change in enrollment are met and implements the enrollment change. NFC also informs the FEHB carriers of the action. If this information were not collected, NFC could not comply with the provisions of title 5, U.S. Code, Chapter 89.

Description of Respondents:

Individuals.

Number of Respondents: 25,000.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Other (One time).

Total Burden Hours: 18,750.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Announcement of Disaster Assistance Grant Application Deadlines and Funding Levels

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of funds availability.

SUMMARY: As part of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018, Public Law 115-123, dated February 9, 2018, the Rural Utilities Service's Water and Environmental Programs (WEP) received \$165,475,000 in supplemental grant funding of which \$163,475,000 is available for repairs to drinking water systems and sewer and solid waste disposal systems impacted by

Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria. States impacted include: Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Texas, and the territories of Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands.

DATES: Unless otherwise specified in this Notice, applications will be accepted on a continual basis until funds are exhausted.

ADDRESSES: Entities wishing to apply for assistance, or that are in need of further information, should contact the USDA Rural Development State Office in the State where the project is located. A list of the USDA Rural Development State Offices addresses and telephone numbers is as follows:

Note: Telephone numbers are not toll-free.

Florida/Virgin Islands

USDA Rural Development State Office, 4440 NW 25th Place, P.O. Box 147010, Gainesville, FL 32614-7010, (352) 338-3400/TDD (352) 338-3499.

Georgia

USDA Rural Development State Office, Stephens Federal Building, 355 E Hancock Avenue, Athens, GA 30601-2768, (706) 546-2162/TDD (706) 546-2034.

South Carolina

USDA Rural Development State Office, Strom Thurmond Federal Building, 1835 Assembly Street, Room 1007, Columbia, SC 29201, (803) 765-5163/TDD (803) 765-5697.

Texas

USDA Rural Development State Office, Federal Building, Suite 102, 101 South Main, Temple, TX 76501, (254) 742-9700/TDD (254) 742-9712.

Puerto Rico

USDA Rural Development State Office, IBM Building, Suite 601, 654 Munos Rivera Avenue, San Juan, PR 00918-6106, (787) 766-5095/TDD (787) 766-5332.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Main point of contact: Derek Jones, Community Programs Specialist, Water and Environmental Programs, Rural Utilities Service, Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Paperwork Reduction Act

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the information collection requirements associated with the Program, as covered in this Notice, have been approved by the Office of Management Budget (OMB) under OMB Control Number 0572-0121.