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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number. Food and Nutrition Service

Title: 7 CFR part 215—Special Milk Program for Children. OMB Control Number: 0584–0005

Summary of Collection: Section 3 of the Child Nutrition Act (CNA) (Pub. L. 89–642, as amended; 42 U.S.C. 1772) authorizes the Special Milk Program (SMP) for Children. It provides for appropriation of such sums as may be necessary to enable the Secretary of Agriculture, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary may deem in the public interest, to encourage consumption of fluid milk by children in the United States in (1) nonprofit schools of high school grade and under, and (2) nonprofit nursery schools, child care centers, settlement houses, summer camps, and similar nonprofit institutions devoted to the care and training of children, which do not participate in a food service program authorized under the CNA. Section 10 of the CNA requires the Secretary of Agriculture to “prescribe such regulations as the Secretary may deem necessary to carry out this Act” and pursuant to that provision, the Secretary has issued 7 CFR part 215 which contains the policies and procedures for the administration and operation of the SMP. For this revision, the nonprofit childcare and nursery schools, which were originally classified as State, Local, or Tribal respondents, have been reclassified as Business respondents. This reclassification, however, does not impact the reporting or recordkeeping burden for this collection, which remains unchanged from the last renewal.

Need and Use of the Information: This is a revision of the currently approved information collection. This is an ongoing collection that contains both mandatory and required to obtain or retain benefit requirements. The SMP is administered at the State, school food authority (SFA), and child care institution, such as nonprofit childcare and nursery schools, levels. In accordance with the regulations, State and local operators are required to collect information concerning the operation of the program including the submission of applications and agreements, submission and payment of claims, and the maintenance of records. Without this information FNS would not be able to reimburse schools and institutions in a timely manner to allow them to properly administer the program. In addition, data reporting would be delayed and the timely monitoring of program funding and program trends would be affected. If the recordkeeping activities were not conducted, FNS would be unable to provide adequate oversight of the SMP operators and State agencies.

Description of Respondents: State, Local, and Tribal Government and Non-Profit Institutions.

Number of Respondents: 3,499.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On Occasion, Monthly, and Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 13,325.

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