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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### National Agricultural Statistics Service

#### Notice of Intent To Request Revision and Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to request revision and extension of a currently approved information collection, the Aquaculture Surveys. Revision to burden hours will be needed due to changes in NASS estimates programs, target population sizes, sampling designs, and/or content of questionnaires.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by March 6, 2023 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number 0535–0150, by any of the following methods:

- *Email:* [ombofficer@nass.usda.gov](mailto:ombofficer@nass.usda.gov).

Include the docket number above in the subject line of the message.

- *Efax:* (855) 838–6382.

- *Mail:* Mail any paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions to: Richard Hopper, NASS Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 5336 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250–2024.

- *Hand Delivery/Courier:* Hand deliver to: Richard Hopper, NASS Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 5336 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250–2024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Kevin L. Barnes, Associate Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of

Agriculture, (202) 720–2707. Copies of this information collection and related instructions can be obtained without charge from Richard Hopper, NASS—OMB Clearance Officer, at (202) 720–2206 or at [ombofficer@nass.usda.gov](mailto:ombofficer@nass.usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Aquaculture Surveys.

*OMB Control Number:* 0535–0150.

*Expiration Date:* May 31, 2023.

*Type of Request:* Intent to seek approval to revise and extend a currently approved information collection for a period of three years.

*Abstract:* The primary objective of the National Agricultural Statistics Service is to prepare and issue state and national estimates of crop and livestock production, prices, and disposition. The Aquaculture Surveys program produces estimates at the national level on both trout and catfish. Survey results are used by government agencies and others in planning farm programs.

The trout survey includes sales (dollars, pounds, and quantities), percent of product sold by outlet at the point of first sale, distribution (dollars, pounds, and quantities) of fish raised for release into open waters, and losses. The catfish surveys include inventory counts, water surface acreage used for production and sales (dollars, pounds, and quantities).

- Twenty-five states (Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, Idaho, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming) are in the Trout Production Survey. In January, data are collected in the selected states that produce and either sell or distribute trout. State, federal, tribal, and other facilities where trout are raised for conservation, restoration, or recreational purposes are included in the survey.

- Nine states (Alabama, Arkansas, California, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, and Texas) are in the Catfish Production Survey. Data are collected from farmers in January for inventory, water surface acreage, and previous year sales. In addition, farmers in the three major catfish producing states are surveyed in July for mid-year inventory and water surface acreage.

- An aquaculture survey is conducted in Hawaii is conducted under a cooperative agreement with the state.

- An aquaculture census is conducted in Pennsylvania to satisfy Act 98 of the 1998 Pennsylvania General Assembly Amended Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes mentions the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture cooperates with NASS for a survey of Pennsylvania's aquacultural industry.

- All of the surveys conducted under this approval will have a voluntary reporting statement on each questionnaire with exception to the Pennsylvania Aquaculture Census, which is required by State Law.

*Authority:* These data will be collected under the authority of 7 U.S.C. 2204(a). Individually identifiable data collected under this authority are governed by Section 1770 of the Food Security Act of 1985, as amended, 7 U.S.C. 2276, which requires USDA to afford strict confidentiality to non-aggregated data provided by respondents. This Notice is submitted in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) and Office of Management and Budget regulations at 5 CFR part 1320.

All NASS employees and NASS contractors must also fully comply with all provisions of the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act (CIPSEA) of 2018, Title III of Public Law 115–435, codified in 44 U.S.C. Ch. 35. CIPSEA supports NASS's pledge of confidentiality to all respondents and facilitates the agency's efforts to reduce burden by supporting statistical activities of collaborative agencies through designation of NASS agents, subject to the limitations and penalties described in CIPSEA.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15–20 minutes per response. Pre-survey publicity or cover letters will also be included to encourage respondents to complete and return the surveys and to provide the respondents with information on how to complete the surveys using the internet.

*Respondents:* Farms and aquaculture facilities.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* Approximately 2,200 per year.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 700 hours.

*Comments:* Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (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, technological or other forms of information technology collection methods. All responses to this notice will become a matter of public record and be summarized in the request for OMB approval.

Signed at Washington, DC, November 16, 2022.

**Kevin L. Barnes,**

*Associate Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-201-845]

#### Agreement Suspending the Antidumping Duty Investigation on Sugar From Mexico: Preliminary Results of the 2020-2021 Administrative Review and Postponement of Final Results

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that the respondents selected for individual examination, respectively, Ingenio Tala S.A. de C.V. and Ingenio Tamazula S.A. de C.V. (collectively, respondents), were in compliance with the terms of the Agreement Suspending the Antidumping Duty Investigation on Sugar from Mexico, as amended (AD Agreement) during the period of review (POR) from December 1, 2020, through November 30, 2021. Commerce also preliminarily determines that the AD Agreement met the applicable statutory requirements during the POR.

**DATES:** Applicable January 4, 2023.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sally C. Gannon or Jill Buckles, Enforcement and Compliance,

International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0162 or (202) 482-6230, respectively.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

Commerce and Mexican producers/exporters accounting for substantially all imports of sugar from Mexico signed the AD Agreement under section 734(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), which suspended the underlying antidumping duty investigation, on December 19, 2014, and which was subsequently amended on January 15, 2020.<sup>1</sup>

On December 23, 2021, the American Sugar Coalition and its members (the petitioners)<sup>2</sup> filed a timely request for an administrative review of the AD Agreement.<sup>3</sup> On February 4, 2022, Commerce initiated an administrative review for the period December 1, 2020, through November 30, 2021.<sup>4</sup>

On March 15, 2022, Commerce selected two companies as mandatory respondents, listed in alphabetical order: Ingenio Tala S.A. de C.V. and Ingenio Tamazula S.A. de C.V.<sup>5</sup>

##### Scope of the AD Agreement

The product covered by this AD Agreement is raw and refined sugar of all polarimeter readings derived from sugar cane or sugar beets. Merchandise covered by this AD Agreement is typically imported under the following headings of the HTSUS: 1701.12.1000, 1701.12.5000, 1701.13.1000, 1701.13.5000, 1701.14.1020, 1701.14.1040, 1701.14.5000, 1701.91.1000, 1701.91.3000, 1701.99.1015, 1701.99.1017, 1701.99.1025, 1701.99.1050, 1701.99.5015, 1701.99.5017, 1701.99.5025, 1701.99.5050, and 1702.90.4000.<sup>6</sup> The tariff classification

<sup>1</sup> See *Sugar from Mexico: Suspension of Antidumping Investigation*, 79 FR 78039 (December 29, 2014); see also *Sugar from Mexico: Amendment to the Agreement Suspending the Antidumping Duty Investigation*, 85 FR 3620 (January 22, 2020) (collectively, *AD Agreement*).

<sup>2</sup> The members of the American Sugar Coalition are: American Sugar Cane League; American Sugarbeet Growers Association; American Sugar Refining, Inc.; Florida Sugar Cane League; Rio Grande Valley Sugar Growers, Inc.; Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Florida; and the United States Beet Sugar Association.

<sup>3</sup> See Petitioners' Letter, "Request for Administrative Review," dated December 23, 2021.

<sup>4</sup> See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 87 FR 6487 (February 4, 2022).

<sup>5</sup> See Memorandum, "Respondent Selection," dated March 15, 2022.

<sup>6</sup> Prior to July 1, 2016, merchandise covered by the AD Agreement was also classified in the HTSUS

is provided for convenience and customs purposes; however, the written description of the scope of this AD Agreement is dispositive.<sup>7</sup>

##### Methodology and Preliminary Results

Commerce has conducted this review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(C) of the Act, which specifies that Commerce shall "review the current status of, and compliance with, any agreement by reason of which an investigation was suspended." Pursuant to the AD Agreement, each signatory producer/exporter individually agrees that it will not sell subject merchandise at prices less than the reference prices established in Appendix I to the AD Agreement.<sup>8</sup> Each signatory producer/exporter also individually agrees that for each entry the amount by which the estimated normal value exceeds the export price (or the constructed export price) will not exceed 15 percent of the weighted average amount by which the estimated normal value exceeded the export price (or constructed export price) for all less-than-fair-value entries of the producer/exporter examined during the course of the investigation.<sup>9</sup> The signatory producers/exporters also individually agree to provide documentation upon request from Commerce<sup>10</sup> and provide certifications each quarter<sup>11</sup> to allow Commerce to monitor the AD Agreement. In addition, the signatory producers/exporters agree to incorporate into their sales contracts with Intermediary Customers<sup>12</sup> the obligation that such customers will abide by the terms of the AD Agreement.<sup>13</sup> Lastly, the signatory producers/exporters agree to ensure that Other Sugar<sup>14</sup> is tested for polarity by a laboratory approved by CBP upon entry into the United States and that the importers of record report the polarity

under subheading 1701.99.1010. Prior to January 1, 2020, merchandise covered by the AD Agreement was also classified in the HTSUS under subheadings 1701.14.1000 and 1701.99.5010.

<sup>7</sup> For a complete description of the Scope of the AD Agreement, see Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of the 2020-2021 Administrative Review: Sugar from Mexico," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>8</sup> See *AD Agreement* at Section VI and Appendix I.

<sup>9</sup> *Id.* at Section VII.

<sup>10</sup> *Id.* at Sections VII.B.1, VII.B.2, and VII.B.4.

<sup>11</sup> *Id.* at Section VII.C.4.

<sup>12</sup> "Intermediary Customer" is defined in Section II.N of the *AD Agreement*.

<sup>13</sup> See *AD Agreement* at Section VII.C.5.

<sup>14</sup> "Other Sugar" is defined Section II.F of the *AD Agreement*.