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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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: 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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 these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received by September 5, 2023. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

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.

Agricultural Marketing Service

Title: National Science Laboratories.

OMB Control Number: 0581–NEW.

Summary of Collection: Under the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1621–1627), The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) administers programs that create domestic and international marketing opportunities for U.S. producers of food, fiber, and specialty crops. AMS also provides the agricultural industry with valuable services to ensure the quality and availability of wholesome food for consumers across the country and around the world.

AMS' Science & Technology Program (S&T) provides scientific, certification and analytical services to the agricultural community to improve the quality, wholesomeness and marketing of agricultural products domestically and internationally. S&T provides support to USDA Agencies, Federal and State agencies, and private sector food and agricultural industries. S&T is organized into four divisions: Laboratory Approval & Testing Division (LATD); Monitoring Programs Division (MPD); the Plant Variety Protection Office (PVPO); and the Seed Regulatory and Testing Division (SRTD). AMS' S&T, LATD provides analytical lab testing and approval services to facilitate domestic and international marketing of food and agricultural commodities. AMS, LATD's National Science Laboratories (NSL) provides objective, timely, and cost-effective analytical testing services to facilitate marketing of food and agricultural products. Regulations implementing AMS' NSL appear at 7 CFR part 91.

Pursuant to this authority, AMS' National Science Laboratories (NSL) is a fee-for-service lab network (7 CFR parts 91) utilized by both industry and government. Through laboratories located in Gastonia, NC, and Blakely, GA, NSL provides chemical, microbiological, and bio-molecular analyses on food and agricultural commodities. NSL provides testing service for AMS commodity programs, other USDA agencies, Federal and State agencies, U.S. Military, research institutions, and private sector food and agricultural industries.

Need and Use of the Information: The National Science Laboratories (NSL)

collects, voluntarily from the applicant, customer/business information and specific information about the sample(s) being submitted to perform chemical, microbiological, and bio-molecular analyses on food and agricultural commodities, provide an analytical report/certificate, and collect payment for services. The customer/business information requested is used by the Administrative Officer to identify the applicant in the billing system, to set up an account in the billing system and contact the party responsible for payment of the fee for services. The Sample information documentation requested, to be provided with sample(s), is used by NSL staff to uniquely identify sample, sample conditions, and requested analytical test(s). This is a "fee for service" program with voluntary participation. All costs are recovered. Only information essential to provide service is requested.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 490.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 2,613.

Levi S. Harrell,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS–2023–0053]

Notice of Request for Revision to and Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; U.S. Origin Health Certificate

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Revision to and extension of approval of an information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's intention to request a revision to and extension of approval of an information collection associated with the export of animals

and animal products from the United States.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before October 3, 2023.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to www.regulations.gov. Enter APHIS–2023–0053 in the Search field. Select the Documents tab, then select the Comment button in the list of documents.
- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS–2023–0053, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A–03.8, 4700 River Road, Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737–1238.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at regulations.gov or in our reading room which is located in Room 1620 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 799–7039 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the export of animals and animal products from the United States, contact Dr. Mark Remick, National Director, Veterinary Export Trade Services, Field Operations, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road, Riverdale, MD 20737; phone: (443) 924–0720; email: mark.a.remick@usda.gov. You may also contact Dr. Timothy Rector, Acting Director, Port Services, Field Operations, VS, APHIS; phone: (701) 400–0206; email: timothy.s.rector@usda.gov. For more information on the information collection reporting process, contact Mr. Joseph Moxey, APHIS' Paperwork Reduction Act Coordinator, at (301) 851–2483; email: joseph.moxey@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: U.S. Origin Health Certificate.
OMB Control Number: 0579–0020.
Type of Request: Revision to and extension of approval of an information collection.

Abstract: Under the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, among other things, has the authority to detect, control, or eradicate pests or diseases of livestock or poultry. The Secretary may also prohibit or restrict the import or export of any animal or related material if necessary to prevent the spread of any livestock or poultry pest or disease.

Disease prevention is the most effective method for maintaining a healthy animal population and for enhancing APHIS' ability to compete in the world market of animal and animal product trade. The export of agricultural commodities, including animals and animal products, is a major business in the United States and contributes to a favorable balance of trade. As part of its mission to facilitate the export of U.S. animals and products, APHIS' Veterinary Services maintains information regarding the import health requirements of other countries for animals and animal products exported from the United States.

Among other things, to ensure a favorable balance of trade, APHIS uses information collection activities, such as U.S. Origin Health Certificates; U.S. Origin Health Certificates for the Export of Horses from the United States to Canada; Health Certificates for the Export of Live Finfish, Mollusks, and Crustaceans (and their Gametes); Country Specific Health Certificates; United States Interstate and International Certificate of Health Examination for Small Animals (Exporters); Inspection and Certification for Animal Products; Undue Hardship Explanations-Animals; Applications for Approval of Inspection Facility-Environmental Certification; Annual Inspections of Export Inspection Facilities; Opportunities to Present Views Concerning Withdrawal of Facility Approval; Certifications to Carry Livestock; Inspections of Vessel Prior to Voyage; Notarized Statements; Aircraft Cleaning and Disinfection; and Travel Time.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities, as described, for an additional 3 years.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public (as well as affected agencies) concerning our information collection. These comments will help us:

- (1) Evaluate 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) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use, as appropriate, of automated, electronic,

mechanical, and other collection technologies; *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

Estimate of burden: The public burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.05 hours per response.

Respondents: Owners and operators of livestock facilities/exporters, accredited veterinarians, and owners or masters of an ocean vessel.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 1,320.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 372.

Estimated annual number of responses: 491,678.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 516,556 hours. (Due to averaging, the total annual burden hours may not equal the product of the annual number of responses multiplied by the reporting burden per response.)

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Done in Washington, DC, this 31st day of July 2023.

Michael Watson,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS–2023–0054]

Notice of Request for Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Bees and Related Articles

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Extension of approval of an information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's intention to request an extension of approval of an information collection associated with the regulations for the importation of bees and related articles into the United States.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before October 3, 2023.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to www.regulations.gov. Enter APHIS–