DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 00F–0119]

National Food Processors Association; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that the National Food Processors Association has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of calcium disodium EDTA (ethylenediaminetetraacetate) or disodium EDTA to promote color retention for all edible types of cooked, canned legumes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary E. LaVecchia, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS–215), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202–418–3072.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 0A4709) has been filed by the National Food Processors Association, 1350 I St. NW., suite 300, Washington, DC 20005. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations in § 172.120 *Calcium disodium EDTA* (21 CFR 172.120) and § 172.135 *Disodium EDTA* (21 CFR 172.135) to provide for the safe use of calcium disodium EDTA or disodium EDTA to promote color retention for all edible types of cooked, canned legumes.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(k) that this action is of a type that does not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

Dated: January 5, 2000.

Alan M. Rulis,

Director, Office of Premarket Approval, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–4565–N–05]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Common Request; Monthly Report of Excess Income

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* March 20, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, L'Enfant Building, Room 8202, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708–5221 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Willie Spearmon, Multifamily Housing, Office of Business Products, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20410, telephone number (202) 708–3291 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is submitting the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection 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 the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (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; including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Monthly Report of Excess Income.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2502–0086.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Owners of Section 236-assisted projects complete form HUD–93104, Monthly Report of Excess Income, to compute any excess rents that are due HUD. The Department of Housing and Urban Development monitors the owners' submission requirements and checks to assure that required excess rents are remitted to HUD.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: HUD–93104.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: The estimated number of respondents are 2,500, the frequency of responses is once a month (12), the estimated hours per response is 5 minutes, and the estimated annual hour burden is 2,400.

Status of the proposed information collection: Reinstatement with change.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C., Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: January 12, 2000.

William C. Apgar,

Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR–030–00–1220–XX: GPO–0080]

Notice of Meeting of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center Advisory Board

AGENCY: National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, Vale District, Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is given that a meeting of the Advisory Board for the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center will be held on Thursday, January 20, 2000 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, Baker City, Oregon. Public comments will be received from 9:45 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., January 20, 2000. The topics to be discussed are the Board's recommendations on the Vegetation Management Environmental Assessment for the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive at Flagstaff Hill.

DATES: The meeting will be from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. January 20, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David B. Hunsaker, Bureau of Land Management, National Historic Oregon Trail, Interpretive Center, P.O. Box 987, Baker City, OR 97814, (Telephone 541–523–1845).

Richard T. Watts,

Vale ADM/Operations-Field Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[UT–912–00–0777–XQ]

Notice of Meeting; Utah Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting of the Utah Advisory Council.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management's Utah Statewide Resource Advisory Council meeting will be held on January 20–21, 2000, in Provo, Utah.

The purpose of this meeting is to provide the Council with an overview of Utah's recreation management program as well as developing guidelines for recreation management.

The meeting will be held at the Hampton Inn, (Sundance Room), 1511 South 40 East, Provo, Utah. It is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. on January 20 and conclude at noon on January 21. A public comment period, where members of the public may address the Council, is scheduled from 12:30–1:00 p.m. on January 20. All meetings of the BLM's Resource Advisory Council are open to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sherry Foot, Special Programs Coordinator, Utah State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 324 South State Street, Salt Lake City, 84111; phone (801) 539–4195.

Dated: January 10, 2000.

Sally Wisely,

Utah BLM State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY–040–00–1330–DB]

Kemmerer and Rock Springs Field Office Areas, Wyoming, Planning Review Concerning Proposed Closure to Oil and Gas Leasing in Trona Mining Areas to Protect Health and Safety

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to conduct a planning review and request for public participation concerning closing portions of the trona mining areas to oil and gas leasing for protection of health and safety, with potential to amend the Kemmerer and Green River (Rock Springs) Resource Management Plans (RMPs) to modify mineral management objectives.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given in accordance with 43 CFR 1610.2(C) that the Rock Springs and Kemmerer Field Offices of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) are proposing to close the Special Sodium Drilling Area—A in southwest Wyoming to oil and gas leasing and coincidental development of oil and gas reserves on existing oil and gas leases to provide for the continued health and safety of underground miners. A planning review of existing land-use decisions would be conducted to evaluate how to best manage mineral resource and to provide for the recognized health and safety of underground miners. Any needed changes in existing management or any new management actions to be prescribed for the area will be identified and if necessary, the Kemmerer and Green River RMPs amended.

The Joint Industry Committee (JIC), representing trona, and oil and gas industry groups and interests, has worked for four years addressing issues on the complexities of coincidental development of underground trona and deep oil and gas within the Mechanical Mining Trona Area (MMTA). Technical studies and analysis with safety and economic comparisons show that the mineable trona within the MMTA should be completely extracted before development of deep natural gas resources. The JIC has recommended the following approach:

- Expand the MMTA boundary to include a one-mile lateral safety buffer, known as the Special Sodium Drilling Area-A (SSDA–A). The SSDA–A consists of 218,613 acres of Federal minerals managed by the BLM, 30,959 acres of State of Wyoming-owned mineral estate, and 223,873 acres of privately held minerals.
- Amend the RMPs to close the SSDA–A to oil and gas leasing and development of deep natural gas wells. Drilling of deep natural gas wells would be prohibited until completion of conventional underground trona mining and abandonment of the underground trona mines. Hydrocarbon resources in the MMTA would be conserved for future development.
- Adopt special rules for drilling operations, well completion, production, and abandonment of shallow natural gas wells within the SSDA–A. Shallow gas drilling could be allowed within the SSDA–A on existing oil and gas leases, subject to special rules currently under development.
- Outside of the SSDA–A but within the Known Sodium Leasing Area, allow oil and gas leasing, and drilling of deep natural gas wells utilizing the special rules for drilling operations, well completion, production, and abandonments procedures as adopted by the Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (WOGCC) for the entire Special Sodium Drilling Area.

Closure to oil and gas leasing and development of the deep natural gas reserves within the SSDA–A and adoption of these recommendations is problematic due to existing federal and State of Wyoming oil and gas leases within the SSDA–A. These existing leases do not provide limitations on the depth of oil and gas drilling operations. The JIC and BLM have identified several options for addressing this problem:

1. Maintain the current suspension on existing oil and gas leases until conventional underground mining of trona has been completed and miners are no longer working underground.

2. Allow current suspensions to expire and place conditions of approval on applications to drill in order to prevent drilling of deep natural gas wells. Development of shallow natural gas wells may be allowed subject to special rules (once they are adopted by the WOGCC).

3. Existing Federal and State lessees could be given preferential right to trade oil and gas leases within the SSDA–A for other Federal or State leases of comparable value.

4. Purchase existing Federal and State oil and gas leases by one or more of the following:

(A) Give the leaseholder a royalty credit against future oil and gas production on other leases held by the lessee.

(B) Allocate a portion of future sodium royalties to purchase oil and gas leases from the lessee.