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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

August 15, 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; and (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 September 19, 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.

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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.

Food Safety and Inspection Service

Title: Voluntary Recalls of Meat and Poultry Products.

OMB Control Number: 0583-0135.

Summary of Collection: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) has been delegated the authority to exercise the functions of the Secretary as provided in the Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) and the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA) (21 U.S.C. 451 *et seq.*) These statutes mandate that FSIS protect the public by ensuring that meat and poultry products are safe, wholesome, unadulterated, and properly labeled and packaged. A firm that has produced or imported meat or poultry that is adulterated or misbranded and is being distributed in commerce, may voluntarily recall the product in question. When a firm voluntarily recalls a product, FSIS will conduct a recall effectiveness check.

Need and Use of the Information: In conducting a recall, the establishment will be asked to provide FSIS with some basic information, including the identity of the recalled product, the reason for the recall, and information about the distributors and customers of the product. FSIS will check on the effectiveness of the recall to ensure that all products subject to recall are accounted for. FSIS field personnel will use FSIS form 8400-4 A to determine (1) if the retail consignee received notification of the recall and (2) the amount of recalled products received. FSIS field personnel will also use FSIS form 8400-4 B to verify that product held by the retail consignee was properly disposed.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 6,090.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On Occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 6,600.

Food Safety and Inspection Service

Title: Requirements to Notify FSIS of Adulterated or Misbranded Product, Prepare and Maintain Written Recall

Procedures, and Document Certain HACCP Reassessments.

OMB Control Number: 0583-0144.

Summary of Collection: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) has been delegated the authority to exercise the functions of the Secretary as provided in the Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) and the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA) (21 U.S.C. 451 *et seq.*) These statutes mandate that FSIS protect the public by verifying that meat and poultry products are safe, wholesome, unadulterated, and properly labeled and packaged. Section 11017 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110-246, 112 Stat. 1651, 448-49), amended the FMIA and the PPIA by adding sections 12 and 13 to the FMIA and by amending section 10 of the PPIA (21 U.S.C. 459). These sections require official establishments that believe, they have shipped into commerce or received, misbranded, or adulterated products to notify the Secretary of Agriculture.

Need and Use of the Information: Official establishments are to document each time they reassess their HACCP plans and make the reassessments available to FSIS officials for review and copying. Official establishments are to notify the FSIS District Office that they have received or have shipped into commerce misbranded or adulterated product. The information collected will permit FSIS officials to monitor closely establishments HACCP plan reassessments and to facilitate recalls or adulterated or misbranded product.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 6,300.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 47,475.

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