

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Food and Nutrition Service is publishing for public comments a summary of an approval collection for the Summer Food Service Program Claim for Reimbursement, Form FNS-143.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before January 14, 2000.

ADDRESSES: 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 has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Susan Fouts, Child Nutrition Division, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302.

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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection form and instruction should be directed to Susan Fouts, Child Nutrition Division (703) 305-1506.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Summer Food Service Program Claim for Reimbursement, Form FNS-143.

OMB Number: 0584-0041.

Expiration Date: January 31, 2000.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The Summer Food Service Program Claim for Reimbursement Form is used to collect meal and cost data from sponsors to determine the reimbursement entitlement for meals served. The form is sent to the Food and Nutrition Service's (FNS) Regional Offices where it is entered into a computerized payment system. The payment system computes earnings to date and the number of meals to date and generates payments for the amount of earnings in excess of prior advance and claim payments. If the information is not provided on the claim form, the sponsor would not have a vehicle for

receiving reimbursement. Earned reimbursement in the Summer Food Service Program is based on performance, i.e., meals served. Recipients are reimbursed the lesser of meals served times rates of actual costs. To fulfill the earned reimbursement requirements set forth in the Summer Food Service Program Regulations issued by the Secretary of Agriculture (7 CFR 225.9), the meal and cost data must be collected on the FNS-143 claim form. In addition, this form is an intrinsic part of the accounting system being used currently to ensure reimbursement as well as to facilitate adequate record keeping. This request is being made to extend the current information collection for an additional three years. Current methods are the only practical means of collecting this information considering the resources of form users. The information collected is used by FNS to manage, plan, evaluate, and account for government resources. The reports and records are required to ensure the proper and judicious use of public funds.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 530.

Number of Responses Per Respondent: 3.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 1590.

Hours Per Response: .5 hours per response.

Total Annual Reporting Burden: 795.

Number of Record Keepers: 530.

Total Record Keeping Hours: 398.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 1193 (total hours per response plus total record keeping hours).

Dated: November 4, 1999.

Samuel Chambers, Jr.,

Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Maximum Dollar Amount on Loan and Grant Awards Under the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2000

AGENCY: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Rural Business-Cooperative Service hereby announces the maximum dollar amount on loan and grant awards under the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant (REDLG) program for fiscal year (FY) 2000. The maximum dollar award on

zero-interest loans for FY 2000 is \$450,000. The maximum dollar award on grants for FY 2000 is \$200,000. The maximum loan and grant awards stated in this notice are effective for loans and grants made during the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000. REDLG loans and grants are available to Rural Utilities Service electric and telephone utilities to assist in developing rural areas from an economic standpoint.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patricia Wing, Loan Specialist, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA, STOP 3225, Room 6870, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250, Telephone: (202) 720-9558. FAX: (202) 720-6561. E-mail: PWing@rus.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The maximum loan and grant awards are determined in accordance with 7 CFR 1703.28. The maximum loan and grant awards are calculated as 3.0 percent of the projected program levels; however, as specified in 7 CFR 1703.28(b), regardless of the projected total amount that will be available, the maximum size may not be lower than \$200,000. The projected program level during FY 2000 for zero-interest loans is \$15 million and the projected program level for grants is \$4 million. Applying the specified 3.0 percent to the program level for loans results in the maximum loan award of \$450,000. Applying the specified 3.0 percent to the program level for grants results in an amount lower than \$200,000. Therefore, the maximum grant award for FY 2000 will be \$200,000.

Dated: November 4, 1999.

Wilbur T. Peer,

Acting Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Rural Utilities Service

Notice of Stakeholder's Meeting on Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI)

AGENCIES: Rural Housing Service (RHS), Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBS), and Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Public notice of stakeholder's meeting on Rural Community Development Initiative.

SUMMARY: This Notice announces a Stakeholder's Meeting on the Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI). The intent of this Stakeholder's Meeting is to provide information on RCDI and receive public comments. An appropriation of \$6,000,000 for grants for RCDI has been provided under the Rural Community Advancement Program (RCAP). These funds are intended to increase capacity-building among private, nonprofit community development organizations and low income rural communities in the areas of housing, community facilities, and community and economic development. Qualified private and public (including tribal) intermediary organizations proposing to carry out technical assistance programs will be eligible to receive the funding. These organizations will be required to provide matching funds from other sources in an amount equal to the funds provided under the RCDI.

DATES: The Stakeholder's Meeting will be conducted on November 30, 1999, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and is open to the public.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Jamie L. Whitten Federal Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 12th and Jefferson Drive, SW, Washington, DC. The meeting will be in Room 107-A. The Jamie L. Whitten Federal Building may be accessed via the Metro by exiting at the Smithsonian station.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beth Jones, Senior Loan Specialist, Community Programs Servicing and Special Authorities Branch, RHS, USDA, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, STOP 0787, Washington, DC 20250-0787, Telephone (202) 720-1498, E-mail epjones@rdmail.rural.usda.gov. If you are unable to attend and would like to submit written comments, they must be received by November 22, 1999.

Dated: November 5, 1999.

Inga Smulkstys,

Acting Under Secretary for Rural Development.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Addition and Deletion

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Addition to and deletion from the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action adds to the Procurement List a service to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and deletes from the Procurement List a commodity previously furnished by such agencies.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 15, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-4302.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 12 and October 1, 1999, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (64 FR 12284 and 53316) of proposed addition to and deletion from the Procurement List:

Addition

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the service and impact of the addition on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the service listed below is suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the service to the Government.

2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the service.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the service to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in

connection with the service proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Accordingly, the following service is hereby added to the Procurement List:

Base Supply Center, Pennsylvania Air National Guard Base, Pittsburgh International Airport, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania.

This action does not affect current contracts awarded prior to the effective date of this addition or options that may be exercised under those contracts.

Deletion

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action may not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.

2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on future contractors for the commodity.

3. The action may result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodity to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the commodity deleted from the Procurement List.

After consideration of the relevant matter presented, the Committee has determined that the commodity listed below is no longer suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

Accordingly, the following commodity is hereby deleted from the Procurement List:

Cover Assembly, Generator
2805-00-356-1985

Beverly L. Milkman,

Executive Director.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed additions to and deletions from Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received proposals to add to the Procurement List a commodity and services to be