

1991 (56 FR 64470), corrected at (56 FR 66670).

The results of the first review report of the Cotton Research and Promotion Program were issued on October 8, 1996. USDA announced its view (61 FR 52772) not to conduct a referendum regarding the 1991 amendments to the Order. In accordance with Section 8(c)(2) of the Act, USDA provided an opportunity for all eligible persons to request a continuance referendum on the 1991 amendments by making such a request during a sign-up period. During the period of January 15 through April 14, 1997, the Department conducted a sign-up period for all eligible persons to request a continuance referendum on the 1990 Act amendments. The results of the sign-up period did not meet the criteria established for a continuance referendum by the Cotton Research and Promotion Act and therefore, a referendum was not conducted.

In 2001, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Secretary of Agriculture will conduct a review of the Cotton Research and Promotion Program Act amendments to ascertain whether a referendum is needed to determine whether producers and importers support continuation of the amendments to the Order, as provided for by the 1990 Act amendments. The Secretary of Agriculture should make a public announcement of the results of the review on September 24, 2001 (60 days after each fifth anniversary date of the referendum). If the Secretary of Agriculture determines that a referendum is needed, the Secretary of Agriculture should conduct the referendum by September 24, 2002 (within 12 months after a public announcement of the determination to conduct the referendum).

If the Secretary determines that a referendum is not warranted, a sign-up period to request such a referendum will be made available to cotton producers and importers. A referendum will be held if requested by 10 percent or more of those voting in the most recent referendum as long as not more than 20 percent are from any one State or importers of cotton. This sign-up period would begin approximately November 25, 2001 and would be announced in the **Federal Register**. If the requisite number of people request a referendum, it will be held not later than February 2003. A ninety-day comment period is provided for interested persons to provide comments to be used by USDA in its review. All interested persons are invited to submit written comments.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 2101–2118.

Dated: March 19, 2001.

Kenneth C. Clayton,

Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Economic Research Service

Notice of Intent To Seek Approval to Collect Information

AGENCY: Economic Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR part 1320 (60 FR 44978, August 29, 1995), this notice announces the Economic Research Service's (ERS) intention to request approval for a new information collection from Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) State agencies. The study will collect existing data from the State agencies related to administrative cost reimbursement of sponsoring organizations that administer the family day care homes (FDCH) portion of the Program.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by May 25, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments concerning this Notice to Linda Ghelfi, Food Assistance and Rural Economy Branch, Food and Rural Economics Division, Economic Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1800 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036–5831, 202–694–5437. Submit electronic comments to lghelfi@ers.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: CACFP Administrative Cost Reimbursement Study.

OMB Number: Not yet assigned.

Expiration Date: N/A.

Type of Request: Approval for the collection of existing data from CACFP State agencies pertaining to the sponsoring organizations that administer the Program to family day care homes (FDCH).

Abstract: USDA needs to obtain budgetary and cost information on FDCH sponsoring organizations in order to assess the CACFP administrative cost reimbursement system. Such knowledge will help the USDA determine whether future changes in that reimbursement system are warranted. Currently, very little administrative data are collected at

the national level on the operations of the CACFP administrative cost reimbursement system. The last national study of those costs collected data in 1980.

To evaluate how sponsoring organizations are being reimbursed for administering family day care homes, information must be obtained from the State agencies that administer the CACFP. Existing information to be collected from the State agencies includes:

- FY2001 administrative budget and supporting documentation for each sponsoring organization
- FY2000 administrative costs reimbursement; food reimbursement; actual administrative costs, if available; and final budget amount for each sponsoring organization
- Sponsor Characteristics, including type of organization (public vs. private and multi vs. sole purpose), geographic area of operations, length of time in the Program, and numbers of sponsored homes by tier for selected months in FY2000 and FY2001.

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) conducted management improvement training during FY2000 that impacted the format, consistency, and detail in the budgets submitted by the sponsoring organizations to their State agencies. For this reason, FY2001 budgets contain more detail on cost categories, such as wages, benefits, office rent, and supplies, than earlier years' budgets. However, in order to provide information on the relationships among reimbursements, budgets, costs, and sponsor characteristics in a timely and useful manner, end-of-year totals and sponsor characteristics are required from FY2000.

The data will be collected on a one-time basis in 2001, to provide USDA and Congress with information to inform policy and program decisions sufficiently in advance of reauthorization.

The FY2001 budgets are expected to be readily available for clerical staff to photocopy. The FY2001 budgets are one to two pages and the budget justification is expected to average approximately 10 pages. This justification explains what costs the sponsor has reported in each budget category and will allow an analysis of budgets by types of expenses. State requests for budget changes or clarifications will most often be a few pages of correspondence between the State and the sponsor. Collection of the correspondence that was required for the State to approve the sponsor's budget at time of initial submission will also help clarify how

costs are classified by budget category. The FY2000 totals are expected to be readily available in computer files from which they can be extracted and sent in by e-mail or by mail on either computer-readable diskette or a few pages of computer printout. Sponsor characteristics are expected to be known by State agency staff or easily extracted from files and will be reportable on a form provided to each State office that may be completed electronically or by hand. Burden is minimized by collecting sponsoring organization information from the State agencies rather than from each of the 1,138 individual sponsoring organizations.

Estimate of Burden: We estimate the burden to each State agency to be as follows:

Retrieval, compilation, and sending of electronic information on all its sponsoring organizations—2 hours.

Clerical time to locate, copy, compile, and send information on each sponsoring organization that is not electronically available—30 minutes for each sponsor file.

Respondents: Respondents include staff of State agencies that administer the CACFP.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 53 agencies in total; including 49 State agencies, the Mid-Atlantic FNS Regional Office that administers the CACFP in Virginia, and the CACFP agencies in the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and Guam.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: Total of 675 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 the 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 the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technology. Comments should be sent to the address stated in the preamble. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 16, 2001.

Susan E. Offutt,

Administrator, Economic Research Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Proposed Posting of Stockyards

The Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, has information that the livestock markets named below are stockyards as defined in Section 302 of the Packers and Stockyards Act (7 U.S.C. 202), and should be made subject to the provisions of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended (7 U.S.C. 181 *et seq.*).

CA-189

Dinuba Sales Yard, Cutler, California

IN-166

United Producers, Inc., Little York, Indiana

Pursuant to the authority under Section 302 of the Packers and Stockyards Act, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to designate the stockyards named above as posted stockyards subject to the provisions of said Act.

Any person who wishes to submit written data, views or arguments concerning the proposed designation may do so by filing them with the Director, Office of Policy/Litigation Support, Packers and Stockyards Programs, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 1521 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, by April 10, 2001.

All written submissions made pursuant to this notice will be made available for public inspection in the office of the Director of the Office of Policy/Litigation Support during normal business hours.

Done at Washington, DC, this 13th day of March 2001.

David R. Shipman,

Acting Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Action Affecting Export Privileges; Optical Associates, Inc.

In the Matter of: Optical Associates, Inc.,
1425 McCandless Drive, Milpitas,
California 95035, Respondent

Order

The Office of Export Enforcement, Bureau of Export Administration, United States Department of Commerce (BXA), having notified Optical Associates, Inc. (OAI) of its intention to initiate an administrative proceeding against it pursuant to section 13(c) of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C.A. app. §§ 2401-2420 (1991 & Supp. 2000)) (the Act),¹ and the Export Administration Regulations (currently codified at 15 CFR Parts 730-774 (2000)) (the Regulations),² based on allegations that, on or about December 2, 1998, OAI exported a U.S.-origin Mask Aligner and parts from the United States to Bhaba Atomic Research Center (BARC), an entity on the Department of Commerce Entity List, Supplement No. 4 to Part 744 of the Regulations, without obtaining a Department of Commerce license as required by section 744.11 of the Regulations, in violation of section 764.2(a) of the Regulations, and;

BXA and OAI having entered into a Settlement Agreement pursuant to Section 766.18(a) of the Regulations whereby they agreed to settle this matter in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth therein, and the terms of the Settlement Agreement having been approved by me;

It Is Therefore Ordered

First, that, for a period of three years from the date of this Order, Optical, Associates, Inc., 1425 McCandless Drive, Milpitas, California, 95035, and all of its successors or assigns, officers, representatives, agents, and employees, may not participate, directly or indirectly, in any way in any transaction involving any commodity, software, or

¹ The Act expired on August 20, 1994. Executive Order 12924 (3 CFR, 1994 Comp. 917 (1995)), which has been extended by successive Presidential Notices, the most recent being that of August 3, 2000 (64 FR 48347, August 8, 2000), continued the Regulations in effect under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C.A. §§ 1701-1706 (1991 & Supp. 2000)). The Act was reauthorized on November 13, 2000. See Pub. L. No. 106-508.

² The violation at issue occurred in 1998. The Regulations governing the violation at issue are codified at 15 CFR Parts 730-744 (1998), and to the degree to which they pertain to this matter, are substantially the same as the 2000 version of the Regulations.