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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

September 27, 2005.

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 regarding (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and 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 through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB),

OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395–5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250–7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720–8958.

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

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Food and Nutrition Service

Title: FNS Computer System Access Request.

OMB Control Number: 0584-NEW. Summary of Collection: The Office of Management and Budget Circular No. A-130, Appendix III, Security of Federal Automated Information Resources, dated February 8, 1996, established a minimum set of controls to be included in Federal automated information security programs. Establishing personal controls to screen users to allow access to authorized system is directed in this appendix. The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Computer System Access Request Form, FNS-674, is designed for this purpose and will be used in all situations where access to an FNS computer system is required, where current access is required to be modified, or where access is no longer required and must be deleted. Users who access FNS systems are: State agencies, other Federal agencies, FNS Regional offices, FNS Field offices, FNS Compliance Offices. staff contractors, and FNS headquarters staff.

Need and Use of the Information: The State Coordinator is responsible for ensuring that State users and entities comply with the FNS Information Systems Security Policy Handbook 701 and the FNS Information Systems Standards and Procedures Handbook 702 developed for State systems for their use in maintaining proper controls over FNS security features used by State clients. The Regional Deputy Information System Security Officers act on behalf of the Headquarters Information Systems Security Office to ensure that Regional, Field Office, and the Compliance Office users comply with the FNS handbook security policies developed for the regional environment. FNS employs a staff of contractors who develop, monitor, and maintain the numerous FNS systems and also a small group who perform various administrative functions. If access were not granted, users would be denied access to systems needed to deliver FNS programs.

Description of Respondents: State, Local, or Tribal Government; Federal Government.

Number of Respondents: 2,700.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 2,700.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

Information Collection: Brokerage Agreement for the Transportation of USDA Commodities

AGENCY: Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on the extension of an approved information collection with revision. This information collection is used to support of brokerage services needed to meet domestic and export food assistance program needs.

This information collection will allow CCC to determine the availability of brokers to meet CCC's transportation needs. The agreement in this information collection is an addition to the Standard Rules Tender (SRT) Governing Motor Carrier Transportation, and/or Standard Operating Agreement (SOA) Governing Intermodal Transportation that CCC approved.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before December 2, 2005, to be assured consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice must be sent to Kansas City Commodity Office, USDA, Attn: Khristy Baughman, Chief, Planning and Analysis Division, 6501 Beacon Drive, Kansas City, Missouri 64133–4676 and to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. Comments may be also submitted via fax to (816) 926–1648 or by e-mail to Khristy.baughman@kcc.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Khristy Baughman, Chief, Planning and

Analysis Division, Kansas City Commodity Office, (816) 926–6509.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Brokerage Agreement for the Transportation of USDA Commodities. OMB Control Number: 0560–0224. Type of Request: Extension with revision.

Abstract: CCC, through the Kansas City Commodity Office (KCCO), solicits bids from brokers for the purpose of providing transportation brokerage services of agricultural commodities. Only approved Intermodal Marketing Companies (IMC) will be authorized to provide rail trailer-on-flatcar/containeron-flatcar (TOFC/COFC) service that CCC hires to provide program transportation needs. Only approved Motor Carriers will be authorized to provide over the road trucking service that CCC hires to meet domestic and export program needs. Intermodal Marketing Companies and Motor Carriers that choose to broker loads with the KCCO Export Operations Division (EOD) are required to complete and submit the KC-11 (Brokerage Agreement for the Transportation of USDA Commodities). Completion of the form is only required one time. EOD is collecting information to determine the brokers that are available to meet CCC requirements for hauling agricultural products for CCC.

Respondents: Brokers. Respondents: 47.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 47 hours.

Comments are invited regarding: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collected; or (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of the 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.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the submission for Office of Management and Budget approval. Signed at Washington, DC, on September 24, 2005.

James R. Little,

Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service

Notice of Intent To Revise a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension 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 44977, August 29, 1995), this notice announces the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service's (CSREES) intention to revise a currently approved information collection entitled, "Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service Application Kit for Research and Extension Programs." **DATES:** Written comments on this notice must be received by December 2, 2005 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable. **ADDRESSES:** Written comments

ADDRESSES: Written comments concerning this notice may be mailed to Jason Hitchcock, E-Government Program Leader, Information Systems and Technology Management, CSREES, USDA, STOP 2216, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250–2216 or sent electronically to: jhitchcock@csrees.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the information collection, contact Jason Hitchcock, telephone:(202) 720–4343 or e-mail: jhitchcock@csrees.usda.gov.

CSREES Forms–2002, –2003, –2004, –2005, –2006, –2007, and –2008 are also available in PDF and MSWord formats on the CSREES Web site, under "CSREES Application Forms," at http://www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/forms.html. CSREES Form–2010 is available under "Multicultural Scholars Application Forms," at http://www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/forms multicultural.html.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service

Application Kit for Research and Extension Programs.

OMB Number: 0524–0039. Expiration Date of Current Approval: March 31, 2006.

Type of Request: Revise a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES) sponsors ongoing agricultural research, extension, and education programs under which competitive, special, and other awards of a high-priority nature are made. Before awards can be made, certain information is required from applicants as part of an overall proposal package. In addition to project summaries, descriptions of the research, extension, or education efforts; literature reviews; curricula vitae of project directors; other, relevant technical aspects of the proposed project; and supporting documentation of an administrative and budgetary nature also must be provided.

Because of the nature of the competitive, peer-reviewed process, it is important that information from applicants be available in a standardized format to ensure equitable treatment. Each year, solicitations are issued requesting proposals for various research, education, and extension areas targeted for support. Applicants submit proposals for these targeted areas following formats outlined in the proposal application guidelines accompanying each program's solicitation. These proposals are evaluated by peer review panels and awarded on a competitive basis. The forms and narrative information are mainly used for proposal evaluation and administration purposes. While some of the information is used to respond to inquiries from Congress and other government agencies, the forms are not designed to be statistical surveys or data collection instruments. Their completion by potential recipients is a normal part of the application to agencies which support basic and applied science.

In FY 2004, CSREES initiated the receipt of applications electronically through the Grants.gov (http:// www.grants.gov) storefront for limited programs. CSREES expects to utilize the SF-424(R&R) Application for Federal Assistance data set and forms package (see 69 FR 53923) along with CSREES Agency-specific forms to receive applications electronically. The CSREES Agency-specific forms have been deployed; and, after additional operational testing of the forms and their instructions, CSREES will again make available the option to submit applications electronically to CSREES