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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

7 CFR Part 762

RIN 0560-AG46

Interest Assistance Program

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed rule; correction and extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: This document corrects the e-mail address for submission of public comments on the proposed rule regarding the Farm Service Agency's (FSA's) Interest Assistance Program published June 22, 2005, and extends the comment period to ensure that all public comments are received by the Agency. The original comment period for the proposed rule closes on August 22, 2005, and FSA is extending it until September 6, 2005. Respondents who sent comments to the earlier e-mail address are encouraged to contact the person named below to find out if their comments were received and re-submit them to the e-mail address below if necessary.

DATES: The comment due date for the proposed rule published June 22, 2005 (70 FR 36055), is extended from August 22, 2005, to September 6, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tracy L. Jones, Senior Loan Officer, Farm Service Agency; telephone: (202) 720-6771; facsimile: (202) 720-6797; E-mail: Tracy.Jones@wdc.usda.gov. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication (Braille, large print, audio tape, etc.) should contact the USDA Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD). All comments and supporting documents on this rule may be viewed by contacting the information contact. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become a matter of public record.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: (1) This document corrects the proposed rule regarding FSA's Interest Assistance Program published June 22, 2005 (70 FR

36055-36060). Due to a computer system upgrade in FSA, some e-mail addresses were changed and, while the original addresses still work in most cases, some e-mail may not be received by the correct person. Accordingly, in the proposed rule, in the first column, in the **ADDRESSES** section, the e-mail address shown,

“*Tracy.Jones@wdc.usda.gov*” is corrected to read

“*Tracy.Jones@wdc.usda.gov*.”

(2) As a result of the correction, this document also extends the comment period until September 6, 2005 in order to ensure that the public can submit timely comments.

Signed in Washington, DC, on August 5, 2005.

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Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

12 CFR Chap. I

[Docket No. 05-15]

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

12 CFR Chap. II

[Docket No. OP-1232]

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

12 CFR Chap. III

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Thrift Supervision

12 CFR Chap. V

[No. 2005-26]

Request for Burden Reduction Recommendations; Rules Relating to Banking Operations; Directors, Officers and Employees; and Rules of Procedure; Economic Growth and Regulatory Paperwork Reduction Act of 1996 Review

AGENCIES: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), Treasury; Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve

System (Board); Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC); and Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of regulatory review; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The OCC, Board, FDIC, and OTS (“we” or “the Agencies”) are reviewing our regulations to identify outdated, unnecessary, or unduly burdensome regulatory requirements pursuant to the Economic Growth and Regulatory Paperwork Reduction Act of 1996 (EGRPRA). Today, we request your comments and suggestions on ways to reduce burden in rules we have categorized as Banking Operations; Directors, Officers and Employees; and Rules of Procedure. All comments are welcome. We specifically invite comment on the following issues: whether statutory changes are needed; whether the regulations contain requirements that are not needed to serve the purposes of the statutes they implement; the extent to which the regulations may adversely affect competition; whether the cost of compliance associated with reporting, recordkeeping, and disclosure requirements, particularly on small institutions, is justified; whether any regulatory requirements are inconsistent or redundant; and whether any regulations are unclear.

We will analyze the comments received and propose burden-reducing changes to our regulations where appropriate. Some of your suggestions for burden reduction might require legislative changes. Where legislative changes would be required, we will consider your suggestions in recommending appropriate changes to Congress.

DATES: Written comments must be received no later than November 9, 2005.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

EGRPRA Web site: <http://www.EGRPRA.gov>.

- Comments submitted at the Agencies' joint Web site will automatically be distributed to all the Agencies. Comments received at the EGRPRA Web site and by other means will be posted on the Web site to the extent possible.