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Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended), the Rural Utilities Service an agency delivering the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Utilities Programs, invites comments on this information collection for which approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) will be requested.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by June 30, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard C. Annan, Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, USDA Rural Development, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., STOP 1522, Room 5818 South Building, Washington, DC 20250-1522. Telephone: (202)720-0784. Fax: (202)720-8435.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) regulation (5 CFR 1320) implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) requires that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). This notice identifies an information collection that USDA Rural Development is submitting to OMB for extension.

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 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 through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or

other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to: Richard C. Annan, Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, USDA Rural Development, STOP 1522, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250-1522. FAX: (202)720-8435.

Title: 7 CFR Part 1717, Settlement of Debt Owed by Electric Borrowers.

OMB Control Number: 0572-0116.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection package.

Abstract: USDA Rural Development, through the Rural Utilities Service, makes mortgage loans and loan guarantees to electric systems to provide and improve electric service in rural areas pursuant to the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 U.S.C. 901 *et seq.*) (RE Act). This information collection requirement stems from passage of Public Law 104-127, on April 4, 1996, which amended section 331(b) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1921 *et seq.*) to extend to USDA Rural Development the Secretary of Agriculture's authority to settle debts with respect to loans made or guaranteed by USDA Rural Development. Only those electric borrowers that are unable to fully repay their debts to the Government and who apply to USDA Rural Development for relief will be affected by this information collection.

The collection will require only that information which is essential for determining: the need for debt settlement; the amount of relief that is needed; the amount of debt that can be repaid; the scheduling of debt repayment; and, the range of opportunities for enhancing the amount of debt that can be recovered. The information to be collected will be similar to that which any prudent lender would require to determine whether debt settlement is required and the amount of relief that is needed. Since the need for relief is expected to vary substantially from case to case, so will the required information collection.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting for this collection of information is estimated to average 3,000 hours per response.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions and other businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 3,000 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Joyce McNeil,

Program Development and Regulatory Analysis at (202)720-0812. FAX: (202)720-8435.

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.

Dated: April 24, 2006.

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Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

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including the validity of the methodology and 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 through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to: Richard C. Annan, Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, USDA Rural Development, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., STOP 1522, Washington, DC 20250-1522. FAX: (202)720-8435.

Title: 7 CFR Part 1786—Prepayment of Guaranteed and Insured FFB Loans
OMB Control Number: 0572-0088.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: 7 CFR Part 1786 establishes policies and procedures mandated by legislation. This part deals with the prepayment of certain loans held by the Federal Financing Bank (FFB), a wholly-owned government instrumentality under the supervision of the Secretary of the Treasury, and guaranteed by USDA Rural Development.

This regulation sets forth policy and procedures implementing section 306(A) of the RE Act which permits an USDA Rural Development Utilities Programs financed electric or telephone system to prepay an FFB loan (or any loan advance thereunder) by paying the outstanding principal balance due on the loan (or advance).

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.21 hours per response.

Respondents: Not-for-profits organizations; business or, other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 11.05 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Joyce McNeil, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, at (202) 720-0812. FAX: (202) 720-8435.

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.

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ACTION: Notice of Opportunity to Request Administrative Review of Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sheila E. Forbes, Office of AD/CVD Operations, Office 4, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230, telephone: (202) 482-4697.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

BACKGROUND

Each year during the anniversary month of the publication of an antidumping or countervailing duty order, finding, or suspension of investigation, an interested party, as defined in section 771(9) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), may request, in accordance with section 351.213 (2002) of the Department of Commerce (the Department) Regulations, that the Department conduct an administrative review of that antidumping or countervailing duty order, finding, or suspended investigation.

Opportunity To Request A Review:

Not later than the last day of May 2006¹, interested parties may request administrative review of the following orders, findings, or suspended investigations, with anniversary dates in May for the following periods:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

Antidumping Duty Proceeding	Period
ARGENTINA: Light-walled Rectangular Carbon Steel Pipe and Tubing A-357-802	5/1/05 - 4/30/06
BELGIUM: Stainless Steel Plate in Coils A-423-808	5/1/05 - 4/30/06
BRAZIL: Iron Construction Castings A-351-503	5/1/05 - 4/30/06
CANADA: Softwood Lumber A-122-838	5/1/05 - 4/30/06
CANADA: Stainless Steel Plate in Coils A-122-830	5/1/05 - 4/30/06
FRANCE: Antifriction Bearings, Ball and Spherical Plain A-427-801	5/1/05 - 4/30/06
GERMANY: Antifriction Bearings, Ball A-428-801	5/1/05 - 4/30/06
INDIA: Silicomanganese A-533-823	5/1/05 - 4/30/06
INDIA: Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes A-533-502	5/1/05 - 4/30/06
ITALY: Antifriction Bearings, Ball A-475-801	5/1/05 - 4/30/06
ITALY: Stainless Steel Plate in Coils A-475-822	5/1/05 - 4/30/06
JAPAN: Antifriction Bearings, Ball	

¹ Or the next business day, if the deadline falls on a weekend, federal holiday or any other day when the Department is closed.