

Notices

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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid (ACVFA).

Date: Wednesday, February 21, 2007
(9 a.m. to 3 p.m.).

Location: National Press Club Ballroom, 529 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20045.

Please note that this is the anticipated agenda and is subject to change.

U.S. Foreign Assistance and the FY 08 Budget: USAID's Administrator Randall L. Tobias has been invited to speak on the U.S. foreign assistance program. Dirk Dijkerman, Chief Operating Officer, and James Painter, Senior Coordinator for Operational Management, in the Office of the Director of U.S. Foreign Assistance in the U.S. Department of State have been invited to provide an overview of the President's fiscal year 2008 foreign assistance budget.

Afghanistan: James Kunder, USAID's Acting Deputy Administrator has been invited to speak on USAID's programs in Afghanistan.

Global Development Alliance: Daniel Runde, Director of USAID's Global Development Alliance (GDA) initiative has been invited to provide an overview of the GDA since its establishment in 2001. A panel discussion will follow on lessons learned with representatives from private voluntary organizations and the private sector.

The meeting is free and open to the public. Persons wishing to attend the meeting can register online at http://www.usaid.gov/about_usaid/acvfa or contact Kristin Holland at * * * or 202-237-0090 extension 10 or Jocelyn Rowe at jrowe@usaid.gov or 202-712-4002.

Dated: January 30, 2007.

Jocelyn M. Rowe,

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Docket # AMS-FV-06-0216; FV07-375]

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), this notice announces the Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) intention to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for an extension of a currently approved information collection for the Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements Under Regulations Under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930, as amended.

DATES: Comments received by April 6, 2007 will be considered.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written or electronic comments to:

(1) PACA Recordkeeping and Reporting Comments, AMS, F&V Programs, PACA Branch, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 2095-S, Stop 0242, Washington, DC 20250-0242.

(2) Fax: 202-690-4413

(3) E-mail comments to Dexter.Thomas@usda.gov.

(4) Internet: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Instructions: All comments will become a matter of public record and should be identified as PACA Recordkeeping and Reporting Comments. Comments will be available for public inspection from AMS at the above address or over the AMS Web site at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/paca.htm>. Web site questions can be addressed to the PACA Web master, Dexter.Thomas@usda.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements Under Regulations (Other than Rules of Practice) Under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930.

OMB Number: 0581-0031.

Expiration Date of Approval: October 31, 2007.

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

Abstract: The PACA was enacted by Congress in 1930 to establish a code of fair trading practices covering the marketing of fresh and frozen fruits and vegetables in interstate or foreign commerce. It protects growers, shippers, and distributors dealing in those commodities by prohibiting unfair and fraudulent trade practices.

The law provides a forum for resolving contract disputes, and a mechanism for the collection of damages from anyone who fails to meet contractual obligations. In addition, the PACA provides for prompt payment to fruit and vegetable sellers and for revocation of licenses and sanctions against firms or principals found to have violated the law's standards for fair business practices. The PACA also imposes a statutory trust that attaches to perishable agricultural commodities received by regulated entities, products derived from the commodities, and any receivables or proceeds from the sale of the commodities. The trust exists for the benefit of produce suppliers, sellers, or agents that have not been paid, and continues until they have been paid in full.

The PACA is enforced through a licensing system. All commission merchants, dealers, and brokers engaged in business subject to the PACA must be licensed. Retailers and grocery wholesalers must renew their licenses every three years. All other licensees have the option of a one, two, or three-year license term. Those who engage in practices prohibited by the PACA may have their licenses suspended or revoked.

The information collected pursuant to OMB Number 0581-0031 is used to administer licensing provisions under the PACA, to adjudicate contract disputes, and for the purpose of enforcing the PACA and the regulations. The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public concerning our information collection.