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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Marketing Service

[Docket No. AMS-ST-08-0028]

#### Plant Variety Protection Board; Open Teleconference Meeting

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of teleconference meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming teleconference meeting of the Plant Variety Protection Board. Notice of this meeting is required under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend the meeting.

**DATES:** May 1, 2008; 1 p.m.–3 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service Conference Room, Room 3074, South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janice M. Strachan, Plant Variety Protection Office (PVPO), Science and Technology Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, United States Department of Agriculture, telephone number (301) 504-5518, fax (301) 504-5291, or e-mail [PVPOmail@usda.gov](mailto:PVPOmail@usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Plant Variety Protection (PVP) Board is authorized under section 7 of the Plant Variety Protection Act (7 U. S. C. 2327). The Board advises the Secretary of Agriculture on rules and regulations implementing the Act. On May 1, 2008, the Board will conduct a teleconference meeting to discuss improving the Plant Variety Protection Office Application Process and other related topics.

The tentative agenda for the teleconference meeting includes: (1)

Welcome and opening remarks; (2) Action on general recommendations from Board minutes of November 14 and 15, 2007 meeting; (3) Financial status of the PVP Office, (4) PVP Office information technology infrastructure, and (5) Adjournment.

The public may attend the teleconference at the following address: USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service Conference Room, Room 3074, South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250. All attendees are required to register with the PVP Office at 301-504-5518 before April 30, 2008. Identification will be required to be admitted to the USDA's South Building.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation should be directed to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Minutes of the teleconference will be posted on the Internet Web site <http://www.ams.usda.gov/PVPO>.

Dated: April 16, 2008.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Research Service

#### United States National Arboretum (USNA); Notice of Intent To Renew Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Research Service; USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Agriculture (USDA) seeks comments on the intent of the USNA to renew an information collection that expires September 30, 2008. The information collection serves as a means to collect for certain uses of the facilities, grounds, and services. This includes fees for use of the grounds and facilities, as well as for commercial photography and cinematography. Fees generated will be used to defray USNA expenses or to promote the missions of the USNA.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before June 25, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by [docket number and/or

RIN Number \_\_\_\_\_] by any of the following methods:

**Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.  
**E-mail:** [tom.elias@ars.usda.gov](mailto:tom.elias@ars.usda.gov). Include [docket number and/or RIN Number \_\_\_\_\_] in the subject line of text. Fax: 202-245-4514.

**Mail:** Director, U.S. National Arboretum, Beltsville Area, Agricultural Research Service, 3501 New York Avenue, NE., Washington, DC 20002.

**Hand Delivery/Courier:** Director, U.S. National Arboretum, Beltsville Area, Agricultural Research Service, 3501 New York Avenue, NE., Washington, DC 20002.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** Intent to Renew Information Collection.

**OMB Number:** 0518-0024, expiration date of approval, September 30, 2008.

**Type of Request:** To extend an approved information collection.

**Abstract:** The mission of the U.S. National Arboretum (USNA) is to serve the public need for scientific research, education, and gardens that conserve and showcase plants to enhance the environment. The USNA is a 446-acre facility, open to the general public for purposes of education and passive recreation. The USNA is a national center for public education that welcomes visitors in a stimulating and aesthetically pleasing environment. The USNA receives approximately 500,000 visitors on the grounds each year. Many garden clubs and societies utilize the USNA grounds to showcase their activities. The USNA is a national center for public education that welcomes visitors in a stimulating and aesthetically pleasing environment.

Section 890(b) of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, Public Law 104-127 (1996 Act), expanded the authorities of the Secretary of Agriculture to charge reasonable fees for the use of USNA facilities and grounds. These authorities included the ability to charge fees for temporary use by individuals or groups of USNA facilities and grounds in furtherance of the mission of the USNA. Also, authority was provided to charge fees for tram tours and for the use of the USNA for commercial photography and cinematography. All rules and regulations noted in 7 CFR 500, subpart 2A, conducted on the USNA property,