

research and testing activities described will help in the development of effective education and promotion tools and communication strategies. Collection of this information will increase FNS' ability to formulate nutrition education interventions that resonate with the intended target population, in particular low-income families.

Formative research methods and information collection will include focus groups, interviews (dyad, triad, telephone, etc.), surveys and Web-based data collection. The data obtained will provide input regarding the potential use of materials and products during both the developmental and testing stages. In order to determine future nutrition education needs, tools and dissemination strategies, key informant interviews will be conducted. This task involves collecting a diverse array of information from a variety of groups including: People familiar with the target audiences; individuals delivering nutrition education interventions and projects; program providers at State and local levels; program participants and other relevant informants associated with FNS programs.

Findings from all data collection will be included in summary reports submitted to USDA-FNS. The reports will describe the data collection methods, findings, conclusions, implications, and recommendations for the development and effective dissemination of nutrition education materials and related tools for FNS population groups. There will be no specific quantitative analysis of data. No attempt will be made to generalize the findings to be nationally representative or statistically valid.

Respondents: Individual & Household: Recipients and those persons eligible for FNS nutrition assistance programs, State and local staff administering FNS programs, Business: FNS stakeholders and consumers, and other interested parties.

Estimated Number of Respondents:	19,000
Focus Group Screeners	3000
Interview Screeners/Surveys	1400
Focus Groups	1500
Intercept Interviews	800
Dyad/Triad Interviews	200
Telephone Interviews	1500
Surveys	800
Web-based Collections	800
Confidentiality Agreements	9000
Estimated Time per Response:	
Focus Group Screeners	¹ 10
Interview Screeners/Surveys	¹ 10
Focus Groups	¹ 120
Intercept Interviews	¹ 30
Dyad/Triad Interviews	¹ 60

Telephone Interviews	¹ 15
Surveys	¹ 30
Web-based Collections	¹ 30
Confidentiality Agreement ..	¹ 10
Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:	
Focus Group Screeners	¹ 30,000
Interview Screeners/Surveys	¹ 14,000
Focus Groups	¹ 180,000
Intercept Interviews	¹ 24,000
Dyad/Triad Interviews	¹ 12,000
Telephone Interviews	¹ 22,500
Survey Instruments	¹ 24,000
Web-based Collections	¹ 24,000
Confidentiality Agreement ..	¹ 90,000
Total Estimated Burden ...	¹ 420,500

¹ Minutes.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 19,000 respondents with a total estimated burden of 420,500 minutes or 7,008 hours.

Dated: October 21, 2009.

Julia Paradis,

Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed collection; Comments requested.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Rural Housing Service's (RHS) intention to request an extension for a currently approved information collection in support of the program for 7 CFR part 1942, subpart F, "Complaints and Compensation for Construction Defects."

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by December 28, 2009 to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Myron Wooden, Loan Specialist, Single Family Housing Direct Loan Division, RHS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 0783, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250, telephone: (202) 720-4780.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 7 CFR part 1942, subpart F, "Complaints and Compensation for Construction Defects."

OMB Number: 0575-0082.

Expiration Date of Approval: February 28, 2010.

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

Abstract: The Complaints and Compensation for Construction Defects program under Section 509C of Title V of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, provides funding to eligible persons who have structural defects with their Agency financed homes to correct these problems. Structural defects are defects in the dwelling, installation of a manufactured home, or a related facility or a deficiency in the site or site development which directly and significantly reduces the useful life, habitability, or integrity of the dwelling or unit. The defect may be due to faulty material, poor workmanship, or latent causes that existed when the dwelling or unit was constructed. The period in which to place a claim for a defect is within 18 months after the date that financial assistance was granted. If the defect is determined to be structural and is covered by the builder's/dealer's-contractor's warranty, the contractor is expected to correct the defect. If the contractor cannot or will not correct the defect, the borrower may be compensated for having the defect corrected, under the Complaints and Compensation for Construction Defects program. Provisions of this subpart do not apply to dwellings financed with guaranteed Section 502 loans.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .25 hours per response.

Respondents: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 375.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.00.

Estimated Number of Responses: 375.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 75 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Linda Watts Thomas, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, at (202) 692-0226.

Comments:

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of RHS, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of RHS's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including a variety of 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 the use of

appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Linda Watts Thomas, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, STOP 0742, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250-0743. 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: October 16, 2009.

Tammye Treviño,

Administrator, Rural Housing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS-2009-0018]

Notice of Request for Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection (Exportation, Transportation, and Importation of Meat and Poultry Products)

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations, the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is announcing its intention to request a revision of an information collection concerning the exportation, transportation, and importation of meat and poultry products since the OMB approval for this information collection is scheduled to expire in January 2010, and because the Agency now has more accurate data regarding the forms used to export and import product.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before December 28, 2009.

ADDRESSES: FSIS invites interested persons to submit comments on this proposed rule. Comments may be submitted by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* This Web site provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field on this Web page or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions at that site for submitting comments.

- *Mail, including floppy disks or CD-ROMs, and hand- or courier-delivered items:* Send to Docket Clerk, U.S.

Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Room 2-2175 George Washington Carver Center, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705.

Instructions: All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the Agency name and docket number FSIS-2009-0018. Comments received in response to this docket will be made available for public inspection and posted without change, including any personal information, to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Docket: For access to background documents or comments received, go to the FSIS Docket Room at the address listed above between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For Additional Information: Contact John O'Connell, Paperwork Reduction Act Coordinator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 6065 South Building, Washington, DC 20250, (202) 720-0345.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Exportation, Transportation, and Importation of Meat and Poultry Products.

OMB Number: 0583-0094.

Expiration Date of Approval: 1/31/2010.

Type of Request: Revision of an approved information collection.

Abstract: FSIS has been delegated the authority to exercise the functions of the Secretary as specified in the Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*) and the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA) (21 U.S.C. 451, *et seq.*). FSIS protects the public by verifying that meat and poultry products are safe, wholesome, unadulterated, and correctly labeled and packaged.

FSIS is planning to request a revision of an information collection addressing paperwork requirements related to the collection of information for the exportation, transportation, and importation of meat and poultry products because this information collection is scheduled to expire in January 2010, and because the Agency now has more accurate data regarding the forms used to export and import product. In the previous submission (three years ago), FSIS had overestimated the number of burden hours associated with completing and submitting the Application for Export Certificate by over 500,000 hours.

FSIS requires that meat and poultry establishments exporting product to foreign countries complete an export

certificate (9 CFR 322.2 and 381.105). Establishments must supply the type, amount, and destination of product being exported. The information required to be supplied on this form does not duplicate any information other Federal agencies may require. Such a form is necessary to certify to the importing countries that FSIS inspectors have inspected the product and have found it sound and wholesome.

Meat and poultry products not marked with the mark of inspection and shipped from one official establishment to another for further processing must be transported under USDA seal to prevent such unmarked product from entering into commerce (9 CFR 325.5). To track product shipped under seal, FSIS requires shipping establishments to complete a form that identifies the type, amount, and weight of the product.

Foreign countries exporting meat and poultry products to the U.S. must establish eligibility for importation of product into the U.S. and must annually certify that their inspection systems are "equivalent to" the U.S. inspection system (9 CFR 327.2 and 381.196). Additionally, meat and poultry products intended for import into the U.S. must be accompanied by a certificate, signed by an official of the foreign government, stating that the products have been produced by certified foreign establishments (9 CFR 327.2 and 381.197). Official import inspection establishments or brokers wishing to import product into the United States must complete a form that specifies the type, amount, originating country, and destination of the meat and poultry product (9 CFR 327.4 and 381.198). Additionally, FSIS has established procedures that allow import facilities importing product to stamp such product with the inspection legend prior to FSIS inspection, if they receive prior FSIS approval (9 CFR 327.10 and 381.204). Import facilities wishing to pre-stamp must submit a letter to FSIS requesting approval. Import facilities must also keep a log of information concerning each lot of product they have pre-stamped.

FSIS has made the following estimates based upon an information collection assessment:

Estimate of Burden: FSIS estimates that it will take an average of .15 hours per response.

Respondents: Official establishments, warehouses, and import establishments.

Estimated Total No. of Respondents: 6,441.

Estimated No. of Annual Responses per Respondent: 145.