

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on a revision of a currently approved information collection request. This information collection is necessary to support the procurement of agricultural commodities for domestic nutrition assistance programs. AMS issues invitations to purchase fresh and processed commodities for domestic nutrition assistance programs on a year round basis. The revision to the information collection request is required for the implementation of a new system named Web Based Supply Chain Management (WBSCM) that will allow respondents to submit information electronically. It will replace the existing computer request for information collected with and a similar set of computer requested data in WBSCM. The information collection burden for respondents should not increase.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before July 26, 2010.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit comments on this notice. In your comment, include date, and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *E-mail:* Send comments to: david.tuckwiller@ams.usda.gov.

- *Fax:* (202) 720-2782.
- *Mail:* David Tuckwiller, Project Manager, Web Based Supply Chain Management System, Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Room 1406, Washington, DC 20090.

You may also send comments to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Tuckwiller, Project Manager, Web Based Supply Chain Management System, phone (202) 720-4517.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: WBSCM Offer Forms.
OMB Number: 0581-NEW.
Expiration Date: Three years from approval.

Type of Request: Regular.

Abstract: AMS purchases commodities for various domestic nutrition assistance programs, and provides support for commodity markets with surplus inventory. AMS issues invitations to purchase agricultural commodities for use in

domestic nutrition assistance programs. Currently, vendors respond by submitting sealed bids electronically via Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES).

This information collection request is for the new WBSCM system where respondents will submit information electronically via that system. It will replace DEBES.

Vendor information and the annual certification information will be entered and received electronically in WBSCM. All of the domestic offer information will be entered and received electronically in WBSCM. Vendors will be able to access WBSCM to see the date and time the system shows for receipt of bid, bid modification, or bid cancellation information. At bid opening date and time, the bid information is evaluated through the WBSCM system. Acceptances will be sent to the successful offerors electronically. Awarded contracts will be posted on the AMS Web site.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for collecting information under this notice is estimated to average 25 (divide the burden hours by # of responses $944/2266 = .41$ or 25 minutes) minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

Respondents: Businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 344.

Estimated Average Number of Responses per Respondent: 6.59 (# of response/# of respondents $2266/344 = 6.59$).

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 2266.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 944 hours.

We are requesting comments on all aspects of this information collection that will help us to:

- (1) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

- (3) Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected;

- (4) 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.

All comments 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: May 19, 2010.

David R. Shipman,

Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS-2010-0004]

Availability of Compliance Guide for Mobile Slaughter Units

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability and opportunity for comments.

SUMMARY: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is announcing the availability of a compliance guide on mobile slaughter units. FSIS will post this compliance guide on its Significant Guidance Documents Web page http://www.fsis.usda.gov/Significant_Guidance/index.asp. FSIS encourages those who own or manage mobile slaughter units to avail themselves of this guidance document in meeting the pertinent regulatory requirements. FSIS is also soliciting comments on this compliance guide. The Agency will consider carefully all comments submitted and will revise the guide as warranted.

DATES: Submit written comments by July 26, 2010.

ADDRESSES: FSIS invites interested persons to submit comments on this notice and the compliance guidelines. 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 (USDA), FSIS, Room 2-2127, George Washington Carver Center, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Mailstop 5474, Beltsville, MD 20705-5474.

Instructions: All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the

Agency name and docket number FSIS–2010–0004. 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 to 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 FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark.Cutrufelli@fsis.usda.gov, phone: (770) 304–8919.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

A mobile slaughter unit (MSU) is a self-contained slaughter facility that can travel from site to site. The MSU compliance guide is intended for owners and managers of a new or existing red meat or poultry mobile slaughter unit who want their business to come under Federal inspection and to operate in accordance with FSIS regulations. The document includes the procedures necessary to receive a Federal grant of inspection, unique concerns that may arise with mobile slaughter units, and links to regulatory requirements and resources.

The meat and poultry industries have become increasingly consolidated, while consumer interest in locally grown and specialty products has continued to expand. MSUs can help producers meet consumer demand for locally grown and specialty products and can serve multiple small producers in areas where slaughter services might be unaffordable or otherwise unavailable. Therefore MSUs can help small producers expand their businesses and create wealth in rural communities.

Additional Public Notification

Public awareness of all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important. Consequently, in an effort to ensure that minorities, women, and persons with disabilities are aware of this notice, FSIS will announce it online through the FSIS Web page located at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations_&_policies/2010_Notices_Index/index.asp.

FSIS will also make copies of this **Federal Register** publication available through the FSIS Constituent Update, which is used to provide information regarding FSIS policies, procedures, regulations, **Federal Register** notices, FSIS public meetings, and other types of information that could affect or would be of interest to constituents and stakeholders. The Update is

communicated via Listserv, a free electronic mail subscription service for industry, trade groups, consumer interest groups, health professionals, and other individuals who have asked to be included. The Update is also available on the FSIS Web page. Through the Listserv and Web page, FSIS is able to provide information to a much broader and more diverse audience. In addition, FSIS offers an electronic mail subscription service which provides automatic and customized access to selected food safety news and information. This service is available at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/news_and_events/email_subscription/. Options range from recalls to export information to regulations, directives and notices. Customers can add or delete subscriptions themselves, and have the option to password protect their accounts.

Done at Washington, DC, on May 17, 2010.
Alfred V. Almanza,
Administrator.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2010-0003]

Notice of Decision to Issue Permits for the Importation of Fresh Male Summer Squash Flowers From Israel Into the Continental United States

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: We are advising the public of our decision to begin issuing permits for the importation into the continental United States of fresh male summer squash flowers from Israel. Based on the findings of a pest risk analysis, which we made available to the public for review and comment through a previous notice, we believe that the application of one or more designated phytosanitary measures will be sufficient to mitigate the risks of introducing or disseminating plant pests or noxious weeds via the importation of fresh male summer squash flowers from Israel.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 25, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Donna L. West, Senior Import Specialist, Regulatory Coordination and Compliance, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 133, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 734-0627.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under the regulations in “Subpart—Fruits and Vegetables” (7 CFR 319.56-1 through 319.56-50, referred to below as the regulations), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture prohibits or restricts the importation of fruits and vegetables into the United States from certain parts of the world to prevent plant pests from being introduced into and spreading within the United States. Under that process, APHIS may publish a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing the availability of a pest risk analysis that evaluates the risks associated with the importation of a particular fruit or vegetable. Following the close of the 60-day comment period, APHIS may begin issuing permits for importation of the fruit or vegetable subject to the risk-mitigation measures identified in the pest risk analysis if: (1) No comments were received on the pest risk analysis; (2) the comments on the pest risk analysis revealed that no changes to the pest risk analysis were necessary; or (3) changes to the pest risk analysis were made in response to public comments, but the changes did not affect the overall conclusions of the analysis and the Administrator’s determination of risk.

In accordance with that process, we published a notice¹ in the **Federal Register** on February 9, 2010 (75 FR 6346, Docket No. APHIS-2010-0003) in which we announced the availability, for review and comment, of a pest risk analysis evaluating the risks associated with the importation into the continental United States of fresh male summer squash flowers from Israel. We solicited comments on the notice for 60 days ending on April 12, 2010. We received one comment during that time. The commenter wrote in support of allowing the importation of fresh male summer squash flowers from Israel into the continental United States.

Therefore, in accordance with the regulations in § 319.56-4(c)(2)(ii), we are announcing our decision to begin issuing permits for the importation into the continental United States of fresh male summer squash flowers from Israel provided that each commercial consignment of the squash flowers is accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate stating that the consignment has been inspected and found free of

¹ To view the notice and the pest risk analysis, go to (<http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main?main=DocketDetail&d=APHIS-2010-0003>).