

information regarding the requirement for companies to ensure domestic origin of the products they deliver to the USDA Purchase Program is provided for in the "General Terms and Conditions for Procurement of Agricultural Commodities of Services," (USDA-1). The Domestic Origin Verification System Program (DOVS) is a voluntary audit and verification user-fee service available to suppliers, processors, and any financially interested party. It is designed to provide validation of the applicant's domestic origin verification system prior to bidding on contracts to supply food products to the Department's Feeding programs, and/or may be conducted after a contract is awarded. Participation in DOVS does not relieve a company of its contractual requirements to provide only domestic origin product to the USDA.

*Need and use of the Information:* the Agricultural Marketing Services uses various forms to collect data for grading and certification purposes and for hiring licensed samplers. The information collected is used to hire prospective employees desiring to become licensed to sample processed foods and to certify as to the identification, location, kinds and condition of containers of processed products that are sampled.

An interested company requests a DOVS questionnaire, and once completed it contains the applicant's procedures to ensure fruit, nut or vegetable components or products can be traced back to their domestic origin; use of a segregation plan to keep all non-domestic components or products separate from domestic products; for taking corrective action on nonconformities and deficiencies; for checking the adequacy of their internal system of ensuring domestic origin; instructing employees in the domestic origin requirement and for maintaining records relating to the applicant's domestic origin verification system. These elements should be in place whether or not the applicant is on the DOVS program or providing a trace-back on every contract. DOVS assists companies to meet the domestic origin requirement for the USDA Purchase Program efficiently and eliminates the redundancy of the trace paperwork that is required for every USDA contract.

*Description of Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,160.

*Frequency of Responses:* Reporting: Annually.

*Total Burden Hours:* 6,192.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

December 1, 2010.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), *OIRA\_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV* or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8681.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

### Agricultural Marketing Service

*Title:* Cotton Classing, Testing, and Standards.

*OMB Control Number:* 0581-0008.

*Summary of Collection:* The U.S. Cotton Standards Act, 7 U.S.C. 51 53 and 55, authorizes the USDA to supervise the various activities directly associated with the classification or grading of cotton, cotton linters, and cottonseed based on official USDA Standards. The Cotton Program of the Agricultural Marketing Service carries out this supervision and is responsible for the maintenance of the functions to which these forms relate. USDA is the only Federal agency authorized to establish and promote the use of the official cotton standards of the U.S. in interstate and foreign commerce and to supervise the various activities associated with the classification or grading of cotton, cotton linters, and cottonseed based on official USDA standards.

*Need and Use of the Information:* The Agricultural Marketing Service uses the following forms to collection information:

Form FD-210 is submitted by owners of cotton to request cotton classification services. The request contains information for USDA to ascertain proper ownership of the samples submitted, to distribute classification results, and bill for services. Information about the origin and handling of the cotton is necessary in order to properly evaluate and classify the samples.

Form CN-246 is submitted by cotton gins and warehouses seeking to serve as licensed samplers. Licenses issued by the USDA-AMS Cotton Program authorize the warehouse/gin to draw and submit samples to insure the proper application of standards in the classification of cotton and to prevent deception in their use.

Form CN-383 is a package of forms designated as CN-383-a through CN-383-k that is submitted by cotton producers, ginners, warehousemen, cooperatives, manufacturers, merchants, and crushers interested in acquiring cotton classification standards and round testing services.

*Description of Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 530.

*Frequency of Responses:* Reporting: Annually; on occasion.

*Total Burden Hours:* 136.

### Agricultural Marketing Service

*Title:* Cotton Classification and Market News Service.

*OMB Control Number:* 0581-0009.

*Summary of Collection:* The Cotton Statistics and Estimates Act, 7 U.S. Code 471-476, authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to collect and publish annually statistics or estimates concerning the grades and staple lengths

of stocks of cotton. In addition, Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) collects, authenticates, publishes, and distributes timely information of the market supply, demand, location, and market prices for cotton (7 U.S.C. 473B). This information is needed and used by all segments of the cotton industry.

*Need and Use of the Information:* AMS will collect information on the quality of cotton in the carryover stocks along with the size or volume of the carryover. Growers use this information in making decisions relative to marketing their present crop and planning for the next one; cotton merchants use the information in marketing decisions; and the mills that provide the data also use the combined data in planning their future purchase to cover their needs. Importers of U.S. cotton use the data in making their plans for purchases of U.S. cotton. AMS and other government agencies are users of the compiled information.

*Description of Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 725.

*Frequency of Responses:* Reporting: On occasion; Weekly; Annually.

*Total Burden Hours:* 770.

#### Agricultural Marketing Service

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

*OMB Control Number:* 0581-0031.

*Summary of Collection:* The Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act (PACA) establishes 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 by prohibiting unfair practices. PACA requires nearly all persons who operate as commission merchants, dealers and brokers buying or selling fruit and or vegetables in interstate or foreign commerce to be licensed. The license for retailers and grocery wholesalers is effective for three years and for all other licensees up to three years, unless withdrawn.

*Need and Use of the Information:* Using various forms, AMS will collect information from the applicant to administer licensing provisions under the Act, to adjudicate contract disputes, and for the purpose of enforcing the PACA and its regulations. If this information were unavailable, it would be impossible to identify and regulate those individuals or firms that are restricted due to sanctions imposed because of the reparation or administrative actions.

*Description of Respondents:* Business or other for-profit; Farms.

*Number of Respondents:* 14,492.

*Frequency of Responses:* Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion.

*Total Burden Hours:* 87,328.

#### Agricultural Marketing Service

*Title:* Reporting Forms under Milk Marketing Order Programs.

*OMB Control Number:* 0581-0032.

*Summary of Collection:* Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) oversees the administration of the Federal Milk Marketing Orders authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as amended. The Act is designed to improve returns to producers while protecting the interests of consumers. The Federal Milk Marketing Order regulations require places certain requirements on the handling of milk in the area it covers. Currently, there are 10 milk marketing orders regulating the handling of milk in the respective marketing areas.

*Need and Use of the Information:* The information collected is needed to administer the classified pricing system and related requirements of each Federal Order. Forms are used for reporting purposes and to establish the quantity of milk received by handlers, the pooling status of the handler, and the class-use of the milk used by the handler and the butterfat content and amounts of other components of the milk. Without the monthly information, the market administrator would not have the information to compute each monthly price nor know if handlers were paying producers on dates prescribed in the order. Penalties are imposed for violation of the order, such as the failure to pay producers by the prescribed dates.

*Description of Respondents:* Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Individuals or households; Farms.

*Number of Respondents:* 740.

*Frequency of Responses:* Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion; Quarterly; Monthly; Annually.

*Total Burden Hours:* 22,315.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Marketing Service

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#### Notice of Request for Extension and Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection for Regulations Governing Inspection and Certification of Processed Fruits and Vegetables and Related Products

**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 intention of the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) to request an extension and revision of a currently approved information collection that will combine a number of forms issued under inspection and grading services under the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 and section 8e of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937. AMS is combining all burden hours with submission.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted on or before February 7, 2011.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments. Comments must be sent to Myron Betts, Processed Products Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 0247, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0247; Phone (202) 720-9906; fax (202) 690-1527; or can be submitted to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Comments should make reference to the date and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register** and will be made available for public inspection at the above office during regular business hours. Please be advised that all comments submitted in response to this notice will be included in the record and will be made available to the public on the Internet via <http://www.regulations.gov>. Also, the identity of the individuals or entities submitting the comments will be made public.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* "Regulations Governing Inspection and Certification of Processed Fruits and Vegetables and Related Products—7 CFR Part 52".

*OMB Number:* 0581-0123.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* Three years from date of approval.

*Type of Request:* Request for extension and revision of currently approved information collection, the