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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

May 20, 2013.

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) 720-8958.

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.

Food and Nutrition Service

Title: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program: State Issuance and Participation Estimates—Forms FNS-388 and FNS-388A.

OMB Control Number: 0584-0081.

Summary of Collection: Section 18(b) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended August 14, 1979 by Pubic Law 96-58, requires that "In any fiscal year, the Secretary shall limit the value of those allotments issued to an amount not in excess of the appropriation for such fiscal year." Timely State monthly issuance estimates are necessary for the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to ensure that it remains within the appropriation and will have a direct effect upon the manner in which allotments would be reduced when necessary. FNS uses the FNS-388 report to obtain monthly statewide estimated or actual issuance and participation data for the current and previous months, and the actual participation data for the second preceding month. For the report months of January and July, the participation data must be categorized as non-assistance (NA) and public assistance (PA) and provided for each project areas. This NA and PA participation data is captured on the FNS-388A.

Need and Use of the Information: The FNS-388 and FNS-388A reports provide the necessary data for an early warning system to enable the Department to fulfill the requirements of Section 18(b) of the Food Stamp Act. In addition, the data is used to (1) validate the Annual Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Household Characteristic Survey; (2) to compile a Statistical Summary Report which is used for special studies and in response to Congressional and other inquiries; and (3) to compare against the reconciliation points' FNS-46 issuance data (for electronic benefit transfer (EBT), cash-out, and alternative issuance) for indication of accountability problems. FNS has also used the project area data to determine where to demonstrate pilot projects such as a test of school-based SNAP outreach initiatives.

Description of Respondents: State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 53.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: Monthly; Semi-annually.

Total Burden Hours: 5,157.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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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 by June 24, 2013. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8681.

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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.

Rural Business Service

Title: 7 CFR 4279–B, Guaranteed Loan Making—Business and Industry Loans.

OMB Control Number: 0570–0017.

Summary of Collection: The Business and Industry (B&I) program was legislated in 1972 under Section 310B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, as amended. The purpose of the program is to improve, develop, or finance businesses, industries, and employment and improve the economic and environmental climate in rural communities. This purpose is achieved through bolstering the existing private credit structure through the guaranteeing of quality loans made by lending institutions, thereby providing lasting community benefits. The B&I program is administered by the Rural Business Service (RBS) through Rural Development State and sub-State offices serving each State.

Need and Use of the Information: RBS will collect information needed by the Agency including completed forms, financial statements and various other documents used by the lender, borrower and Agency to determine program eligibility and creditworthiness of the loan proposal. The information is used by RBS loan officers and approved officials to determine program eligibility and for program monitoring.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 625.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 16,066.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the

Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: Economic Development Administration (EDA).

Title: Application for Investment Assistance.

OMB Control Number: 0610–0094.

Form Number(s): ED–900.

Type of Request: Regular submission (revision of a currently approved information collection).

Number of Respondents: 1,261.

Average Hours per Response: 23 hours and 45 minutes.

Burden Hours: 29,949.

Needs and Uses: The Application for Investment Assistance is required to apply for EDA investment assistance under its Public Works, Economic Adjustment, Technical Assistance, Research, and Planning programs. This collection of information is required to ensure that the application meets the requirements for EDA assistance set out in EDA's regulations at 13 CFR Chapter III.

Revision: The Trade Adjustment Assistance for Communities program was removed from the collection.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; Federal government; State, local, or tribal government.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

OMB Desk Officer: Nicholas Fraser.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer,, (202) 482–0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at Jjessup@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Nicholas Fraser, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395–5167, or via the Internet at Nicholas_A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: May 21, 2013.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of

information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: Economic Development Administration (EDA).

Title: Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms.

OMB Control Number: 0610–0091.

Form Number(s): ED–840P.

Type of Request: Regular submission (extension of currently approved information collection).

Number of Respondents: 800 (500 petitions for certification and 300 adjustment proposals).

Average Hours Per Response: 8 hours and 12 minutes for petitions for certification; 120 hours for adjustment proposals; 1 hour for hearing.

Burden Hours: 40,101 (4,100 for petitions for certification; 36,000 for adjustment proposals; 1 hour for hearing).

Needs and Uses: The information contained in Form ED–840P is necessary for EDA to evaluate whether proposed projects satisfy eligibility and programmatic requirements contained in chapters 3 and 5 of title II of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (U.S.C.2341 et seq.) and the Trade Adjustment Assistance Extension Act of 2011 (Pub. L. 112–40) which reauthorized the program.

If the petitioner or any other person or organization with substantial interest submits a request for a public hearing, the Secretary of Commerce is directed to provide for a public hearing and afford such interested persons an opportunity to produce evidence and be heard.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

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