

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE****Office of Procurement and Property Management****Notice of Request for Comments on Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection**

**AGENCY:** Departmental Management, Office of Procurement and Property Management, USDA.

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

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the Department of Agriculture, Departmental Management, Office of Procurement and Property Management's intention to request an extension and a revision to a currently approved information collection, Voluntary Labeling Program for Biobased Products for Federal Biobased Products Preferred Procurement Program.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by June 5, 2017 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** The Office of Procurement and Property Management invites interested persons to submit comments on this notice. Comments may be submitted by one 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 instructions for submitting comments.

- *Email: [biopreferred\\_support@amecfw.com](mailto:biopreferred_support@amecfw.com).* Include "Notice on Request for Comments on Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection" on the subject line. Please include your name and address in your message.

- *Mail/commercial/hand delivery:* Mail or deliver your comments to: Karen Zhang, USDA, Office of Procurement and Property Management, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250.

*Instructions:* All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the Agency name (Office of Procurement and Property Management). Comments received in response to this notice will be made available for public inspection and posted without change, including any personal information, to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Karen Zhang, USDA, Office of Procurement and Property Management,

1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), this notice announces the intention of the USDA, Office of Procurement and Property Management, to request approval for an extension of an existing collection.

*Title:* Voluntary Labeling Program for Biobased Products for Federal Biobased Products Preferred Procurement Program.

*OMB Control Number:* 0503-0020.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* July 31, 2017.

*Type of Request:* Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

*Abstract:* Section 9002(h) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act (FSRIA) of 2002 (the 2002 Farm Bill), as amended by the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act (FCEA) of 2008 (the 2008 Farm Bill) and the Agricultural Act of 2014 (the 2014 Farm Bill), requires the Secretary of Agriculture to implement a voluntary labeling program that would enable qualifying biobased products to be labeled with a "USDA Certified Biobased Product" label. USDA subsequently published the terms and conditions for voluntary use of the label. These terms and conditions can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 7 CFR part 3202. To implement the statutory requirements of FSRIA, USDA will gather relevant product information on biobased products for which manufacturers and vendors seek certification to use the label. Participation in the voluntary labeling program is entirely voluntary. The information collected will enable USDA to evaluate the qualifications of biobased products to carry the USDA Certified Biobased Product label and to ensure that the label is used properly and in accordance with the requirements specified in 7 CFR part 3202. To the extent feasible, the information sought by USDA can be transmitted electronically using the Web site <http://www.biopreferred.gov>. If electronic transmission of information is not practical for some applicants, USDA will provide technical assistance to support the transmission of information to USDA.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3 hours per response.

*Respondents:* Manufacturers and vendors who wish to apply the "USDA Certified Biobased Product" label to

their biobased products. Participation is entirely voluntary.

*Estimated Annual Number of Respondents:* 150.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 3. One response is required for each stand-alone product or product family for which certification is sought. The average number of stand-alone products or product families that each respondent is expected to apply for certification is three. A stand-alone product is one that is marketed or sold under a single product name, while a product family is a group of products that share the same formulation and biobased content (within 3%) yet are marketed differently depending on factors such as brand names or uses.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 1,350 hours, one time only. Manufacturers and vendors are only required to respond once for each stand-alone product or product family for which they wish to receive certification. Therefore, there is no ongoing annual paperwork burden on respondents unless they wish to apply to label additional stand-alone products or product families. Furthermore, their participation in the voluntary labeling program is entirely voluntary.

*Comments are invited on:* (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) 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 Karen Zhang, USDA, Office of Procurement and Property Management, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250. All comments received will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at the same address.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB (Office of Management and Budget) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 24, 2017.

**Malcom A. Shorter,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for  
Administration, U.S. Department of  
Agriculture.*

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**CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD  
INVESTIGATION BOARD**

**Sunshine Act Meeting**

*Time and Dates:* April 13, 2017, 1:00 p.m. EDT.

*Place:* U.S. Chemical Safety Board, 1750 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC 20006.

*Status:* Open to the public.

*Matters to be Considered:* The Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB) will convene a public meeting on April 13, 2017, starting at 1:00 p.m. EDT in Washington, DC, at the CSB offices located at 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Suite 910. The Board will discuss open investigations, the status of audits from the Office of the Inspector General, financial and organizational updates, and a review of the agency's action plan. An opportunity for public comment will be provided.

**Additional Information**

The meeting is free and open to the public. If you require a translator or interpreter, please notify the individual listed below as the "Contact Person for Further Information," at least three business days prior to the meeting.

A conference call line will be provided for those who cannot attend in person. Please use the following dial-in number to join the conference: (888) 466-9863 Confirmation Number 8378825#.

The CSB is an independent federal agency charged with investigating accidents and hazards that result, or may result, in the catastrophic release of extremely hazardous substances. The agency's Board Members are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. CSB investigations look into all aspects of chemical accidents and hazards, including physical causes such as equipment failure as well as inadequacies in regulations, industry standards, and safety management systems.

**Public Comment**

The time provided for public statements will depend upon the number of people who wish to speak. Speakers should assume that their presentations will be limited to three

minutes or less, but commenters may submit written statements for the record.

**Contact Person for Further Information**

Hillary Cohen, Communication Manager, at [public@csb.gov](mailto:public@csb.gov) or (202) 446-8094. Further information about this public meeting can be found on the CSB Web site at: [www.csb.gov](http://www.csb.gov).

Dated: April 3, 2017.

**Kara A. Wenzel,**

*Acting General Counsel, Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board.*

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**COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS**

**Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting  
of the Maine Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Commission on Civil Rights.

**ACTION:** Announcement of monthly planning meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) that a meeting of the Maine Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene by conference call at 1:30 p.m. (EDT) on Tuesday, April 18, 2017. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss potential panelists for the briefing on its project regarding the criminalization of the mentally ill and other details related to its briefing to be held in Lewiston in June 2017.

**DATES:** Tuesday, April 18, 2017, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. EDT.

*Public Call-In Information:*

Conference call number: 1-888-359-3627 and conference call ID: 5355775.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ivy L. Davis, at [ero@usccr.gov](mailto:ero@usccr.gov) or by phone at 202-376-7533.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Interested members of the public may listen to the discussion by calling the following toll-free conference call number: 1-888-359-3627 and conference call ID: 5355775. Please be advised that before placing them into the conference call, the conference call operator will ask callers to provide their names, their organizational affiliations (if any), and email addresses (so that callers may be notified of future meetings). Callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-

line connections to the toll-free telephone number herein.

Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the discussion by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-888-364-3109 and providing the operator with the toll-free conference call number: 1-888-684-1264 and conference call ID: 9702460.

Members of the public are invited to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office approximately 30 days after each scheduled meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Eastern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 1150, Washington, DC 20425, faxed to (202) 376-7548, or emailed to Evelyn Bohor at [ero@usccr.gov](mailto:ero@usccr.gov). Persons who desire additional information may contact the Eastern Regional Office at (202) 376-7533.

Records and documents discussed during the meeting will be available for public viewing as they become available at <https://database.faca.gov/committee/meetings.aspx?cid=252>; click the "Meeting Details" and "Documents" links. Records generated from this meeting may also be inspected and reproduced at the Eastern Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission's Web site, [www.usccr.gov](http://www.usccr.gov), or to contact the Eastern Regional Office at the above phone number, email or street address.

**Agenda**

- I. Roll Call
- II. Update on HQ Activities
- III. Planning Meeting
  - Discuss Potential Panelists
- IV. Other Business
- V. Adjournment

Dated: March 31, 2017.

**David Mussatt,**

*Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.*

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**COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS**

**Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting  
of the South Dakota Advisory  
Committee**

**AGENCY:** Commission on Civil Rights.

**ACTION:** Announcement of meetings.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the