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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Intent To Renew an Information Collection

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Agricultural Research Service's (ARS) intention to request an extension of a currently approved information collection, Form AD-761, USDA Patent License Application for Government Invention that expires October 31, 2022.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 21, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent to Diana D. Halsey, USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 301-504-6905, diana.halsey@usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diana D. Halsey, USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 301-504-6905, diana.halsey@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: USDA Patent License Application.

OMB Number: 0518-0003.

Expiration Date of Approval: October 31, 2022.

Type of Request: To extend a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The USDA patent licensing program grants patent licenses to qualified businesses and individuals who wish to commercialize inventions arising from federally supported research. The objective of the program is to use the patent system to promote the utilization of inventions arising from such research. The licensing of federally owned inventions must be done in accordance with the terms, conditions and procedures prescribed under 37

CFR part 404. Application for a license must be addressed to the Federal agency having custody of the invention. Licenses may be granted only if the license applicant has supplied the Federal agency with a satisfactory plan for the development and marketing of the invention and with information about the applicant's capability to fulfill the plan. 37 CFR 404.8 sets forth the information which must be provided by a license applicant. For the convenience of the applicant, USDA has itemized the information needed on Form AD-761, and instructions for completing the form are provided to the applicant. The information submitted is used to determine whether the applicant has both a complete and sufficient plan for developing and marketing the invention and the necessary manufacturing, marketing, technical and financial resources to carry out the submitted plan.

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

Description of Respondents: Businesses or other for profit individuals.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 75.

Frequency of Responses: One time per invention.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 225 hours.

This data will be collected under the authority of 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

Copies of this information collection and related instructions can be obtained without charge from Diana D. Halsey, USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer by calling 301-504-6905.

Comments are invited on (a) 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; (b) 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; (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, such as through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection

techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. Comments may be sent to diana.halsey@usda.gov. 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.

Brian T. Nakanishi,

Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

[Docket ID CCC-2021-0008]

Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA); Pandemic Assistance for Timber Harvesters and Haulers Program (PATHH)

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notification of funding availability.

SUMMARY: The Farm Service Agency (FSA) is announcing the availability of assistance for timber harvesting and timber hauling businesses impacted by the effects of the COVID-19 outbreak through PATHH. Timber harvesting and hauling businesses are also commonly referred to as loggers and truckers. This NOFA establishes provisions for FSA to provide direct payments to eligible applicants who have suffered a gross revenue loss of at least 10 percent for the period of January 1, 2020, through December 1, 2020, compared to the period of January 1, 2019, through December 1, 2019. The eligibility requirements, payment calculation, and application procedure for PATHH are included in this NOFA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jody Kenworthy; telephone: (202) 690-5230; email: Jody.Kenworthy@usda.gov. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication should contact the USDA Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

FSA will provide assistance to timber harvesting or timber hauling businesses for losses due to the COVID-19 pandemic. FSA is implementing