

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$0 (This is not the cost of respondents' time, but the indirect costs respondents may incur for such things as purchases of specialized software or hardware needed to report, or expenditures for accounting or records maintenance services required specifically by the collection.)

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13 U.S.C. Section 8(b); 42 U.S.C. Section 701; 42 U.S.C. Section 1769d(a)(4)(B); and 42 U.S.C. Section 241.

#### IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include, or summarize, each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

*Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Census Bureau

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Business Pulse Survey

**AGENCY:** Census Bureau, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection, request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment on the proposed new Business Pulse Survey prior to the submission of the information collection request (ICR) to OMB for approval.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before January 10, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments by email to [Thomas.J.Smith@census.gov](mailto:Thomas.J.Smith@census.gov). Please reference Business Pulse Survey in the subject line of your comments. You may also submit comments, identified by Docket Number USCB-2021-0027, to the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments received are part of the public record. No comments will be posted to <http://www.regulations.gov> for public viewing until after the comment period has closed. Comments will generally be posted without change. All Personally Identifiable Information (for example, name and address) voluntarily submitted by the commenter may be publicly accessible. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information. You may submit attachments to electronic comments in Microsoft Word, Excel, or Adobe PDF file formats.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or specific questions related to collection activities should be directed to Stephanie Studds, Chief, Economic Indicator Division, 301-763-2633, and [stephanie.lee.studds@census.gov](mailto:stephanie.lee.studds@census.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### I. Abstract

The U.S. Census Bureau plans to request a 3-year approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a new survey, the Business Pulse Survey. During the Coronavirus pandemic, the Census Bureau launched new weekly and monthly programs to measure the pandemic's impact on the economy. The Census Bureau was commended by policy makers, media, academia, and other stakeholders on its timeliness and rapid response to their data needs to understand the impact of the pandemic on the economy. The Census Bureau has a need to collect and publish economic baseline data on a frequent, ongoing basis.

The Business Pulse Survey will be a new experimental survey with bi-weekly data collection and publication. This continuous near real time data publication will provide a baseline of the U.S. economy and will measure change as a result of current and future economic shocks. The ongoing nature of the Business Pulse Survey is in response to stakeholder feedback on the Small Business Pulse Survey (SBPS), which was that economic baseline or 'norms' data would have been helpful to have in comparison to the SBPS data on pandemic impact.

The Business Pulse Survey will evolve and progress to its full desired scope over time, in stages or phases. The Census Bureau plans to learn from the incremental progress of the Business Pulse Survey and make improvements to the survey as it matures. Initially, the Business Pulse Survey will be an expansion of the Small Business Pulse Survey (OMB Number: 0607-1014). The SBPS was restricted to small businesses with 1-499 employees and included only a single island territory, Puerto Rico. The Business Pulse Survey's initial sample criteria will include all single unit employer businesses in the U.S. and U.S. Island Areas. At full scope, the Business Pulse Survey will allow for data collection from businesses across most non-farm sectors of the U.S. economy, while producing statistics on employer and non-employer businesses across all employer size classes, as well as geographically detailed data on the fifty U.S. states, Washington DC, and the U.S. Island Areas.

The Business Pulse Survey will collect the following high-level topics:

- Overall current business performance or business climate
- Change in operating revenues/sales/receipts
- Change in employment
- Change in hours of paid employees

• Expectations: Future performance  
Business Pulse Survey data would be collected in near-real time and disseminated as experimental products. Business Pulse Survey data will be experimental with the goal of meeting Census Bureau quality standards for regularly occurring, non-experimental statistics.

## II. Method of Collection

The data will be collected by paper or electronic instruments, depending on whether respondent email is available.

## III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0607-XXXX.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Review: Regular submission, new information collection request.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 45,000 responses/bi-weekly.

Estimated Time per Response: 6 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 117,000.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0 (This is not the cost of respondents' time, but the indirect costs respondents may incur for such things as purchases of specialized software or hardware needed to report, or expenditures for accounting or records maintenance services required specifically by the collection.)

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C., Sections 131 and 182.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[Application No. 99-14A05]

#### Export Trade Certificate of Review

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of an amended Export Trade Certificate of Review to California Almond Export Association, LLC (CAEA), Application No. 99-14A05.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of Commerce, through the Office of Trade and Economic Analysis (OTE), issued an amended Export Trade Certificate of Review (Certificate) to CAEA on October 15, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Joseph Flynn, Director, OTE, International Trade Administration, (202) 482-5131 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at [etca@trade.gov](mailto:etca@trade.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 (15 U.S.C. 4001-21) (the Act) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue Export Trade Certificates of Review. An Export Trade Certificate of Review protects the holder and the members identified in the Certificate from State and Federal government antitrust actions and from private treble damage antitrust actions for the export conduct specified in the Certificate and carried out in compliance with its terms and conditions. The regulations implementing Title III are found at 15 CFR part 325. OTE is issuing this notice pursuant to 15 CFR 325.6(b), which requires the Secretary of Commerce to publish a summary of the certification in the **Federal Register**. Under Section 305(a) of the Act and 15 CFR 325.11(a), any person aggrieved by the Secretary's determination may, within 30 days of the date of this notice, bring an action in any appropriate district court of the United States to set aside the determination on the ground that the determination is erroneous.

#### Description of Certified Conduct

CAEA's Certificate has been amended as follows: The following companies were added as Members of the Certificate within the meaning of section 325.2(1) of the Regulations (15 CFR 325.2(1)):

- Bear Republic Nut, Chico, CA
- JSS Almonds, LLC, Bakersfield, CA
- VF Marking Corporation DBA Vann Family Orchards, Williams, CA

*CAEA's amended Certificate Membership is as follows:*

Almonds California Pride, Inc., Caruthers, CA  
Baldwin-Minkler Farms, Orland, CA  
Bear Republic Nut, Chico, CA  
Blue Diamond Growers, Sacramento, CA  
Campos Brothers, Caruthers, CA  
Chico Nut Company, Chico, CA  
Del Rio Nut Company, Livingston, CA  
Fair Trade Corner, Inc., Chico, CA  
Fisher Nut Company, Modesto, CA  
Hilltop Ranch, Inc., Ballico, CA  
Hughson Nut, Inc., Hughson, CA  
JSS Almonds, LLC, Bakersfield, CA  
Mariani Nut Company, Winters, CA  
Nutco, LLC d.b.a. Spycher Brothers, Turlock, CA  
Pearl Crop, Inc., Stockton, CA  
P-R Farms, Inc., Clovis, CA  
Roche Brothers International Family Nut Co., Escalon, CA  
RPAC, LLC, Los Banos, CA  
South Valley Almond Company, LLC, Wasco, CA  
Stewart & Jasper Marketing, Inc., Newman, CA  
SunnyGem, LLC, Wasco, CA  
VF Marking Corporation DBA Vann Family Orchards, Williams, CA  
Western Nut Company, Chico, CA  
Wonderful Pistachios & Almonds, LLC, Los Angeles, CA

The effective date of the amended certificate is June 22, 2021, the date on which CAEA's application to amend was deemed submitted.

Dated: November 3, 2021.

**Joseph Flynn,**

*Director, Office of Trade and Economic Analysis, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[Application No. 10-5A001]

#### Export Trade Certificate of Review

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of an amended Export Trade Certificate of Review to Alaska Longline Cod Commission ("ALCC"), Application No. 10-5A001.