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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. USDA–2022–0021]

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Safety, Security and Protection, Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Office of Safety, Security and Protection's (OSSP) intention to request an extension for and revision to a currently approved information collection for US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Request for USDA Identification (ID) Badge, the USDA Homeland Security Presidential Directive 12 (HSPD–12) program. HSPD–12 establishes a mandatory, Government-wide standard for secure and reliable forms of identification (credentials) issued by the Federal Government to its Federal Employees, Non-Federal employees, and contractors. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) mandated that these credentials be issued to all Federal Government employees, contractors, and other applicable individuals who require long-term access to federally controlled facilities and/or information systems. The HSPD–12 compliant program is jointly owned and administered by the Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) and OSSP.

ADDRESSES: Office of Safety, Security and Protection invites interested persons to submit comments on this notice. Comments may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* This website 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 on-line instructions at that site for submitting comments.

- *Mail, including CD-ROMs, etc.:* Send to Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of Safety, Security and Protection, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Room 1434, Washington, DC 20250–3700.

- *Hand- or courier-delivered submittals:* Deliver to 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Room 1434, Washington, DC 20250–3700.

Instructions: All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the Agency name, docket number, and Office of Safety, Security and Protection. Comments received in response to this docket will be made available for public inspection and posted without change, including any personal information, to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Docket: For access to background documents or comments received, go to the Office of Safety, Security and Protection, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Room 1434, Washington, DC 20250–3700 between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by April 10, 2023 to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Sam Willis, Director, Facility Protection Division, Office of Safety, Security and Protection U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Room 1434, Washington, DC 20250, 202–378–5830.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Request for USDA Identification (ID) Badge.

OMB Number: 0505–0022.

Expiration Date of Approval: May 31, 2023.

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

Abstract: The AD–1197 was initially created to support the HSPD–12 information collection as required for establishing the applicant's identity for PIV credential issuance. The information requested must be provided by Federal employees, contractors and other applicable individuals when applying for a USDA credential (identification card). This information collection is necessary to comply with the requirements outlined in Homeland

Security Presidential Directive (HSPD) 12, and Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 201–3. USDA must implement an identity proofing, registration, and issuance process consistent with the requirements outlined in FIPS 201–3. This information collection form was required as part of USDA's identity proofing and registration process. After 10/27/06, form AD 1197 was eliminated from the HSPD–12 process with the USDA's participation in the in the GSA USAccess program, however the form continues to be utilized for the information collection and processing of USDA Site Badges (non-PIV). As USDA continues the HSPD–12 program, one estimate of burden has been calculated and one process description has been included.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.5 hours. The Burden is estimated based on the three prerequisites for ID issuance as well as the receipt of the ID Credential itself.

Respondents: New long-term contractors, affiliates, and employees must undergo the information collection process. Existing contractors/employees/affiliates must undergo the process to receive a Credential.

Estimated Number of Respondents: Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 12,000.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: Each respondent should complete one response.

Estimated Total One-Time Burden on Respondents: 18,000 hours.

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 Sam Willis. 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 approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Chad Carroll,

Chief Security Director, Office of Safety, Security, and Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection

Activities: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)—Waiver Requests To Offer Incentives to SNAP Recipients at SNAP Authorized Stores

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on this proposed information collection. This is an existing collection in use without an OMB Control Number in which we are seeking approval to establish a process for requesting a waiver from the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to offer SNAP recipients incentives at SNAP authorized retailer locations that encourage them to purchase healthier foods. This collection burden only affects SNAP retailers as well as private organizations or governmental entities who partner with SNAP retailers. There are no data collection activities for SNAP households in this request.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before April 10, 2023.

ADDRESSES: The Food and Nutrition Service, USDA, invites interested persons to submit written comments on this information collection. Comments may be submitted in writing by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Comments should be addressed to Marga Ortiz, Chief, Retailer Policy Branch, Retailer Policy Division, 1320 Braddock Place, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to Marga Ortiz at 703-305-2546.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 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 shall 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 that were 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, including use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title: SNAP Retailer Incentive Waiver Request.

Form Number: Not Applicable.

OMB Number: 0584-NEW.

Expiration Date: Not Yet Determined.

Type of Request: Existing collection in use without an OMB Control Number.

Abstract: SNAP equal treatment provisions at 7 CFR 278.2(b) and 7 CFR 274.7(f) require that SNAP recipients receive treatment equal to that received by other customers at all stores authorized to participate in SNAP with the exception that sales tax may not be charged on eligible foods purchased with SNAP benefits. This equal treatment provision prohibits both negative treatment (such as discriminatory practices) as well as preferential treatment (such as incentive programs). Pursuant to Section 4008 of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018, Public Law 115-334 (2018 Farm Bill), individual SNAP authorized retailers (or private organizations or governmental entities, which partner with authorized stores) may request that FNS waive the SNAP equal treatment provisions in order to be allowed to implement an incentive program that meets the requirements under 7 U.S.C. 2018(j) to encourage SNAP recipients to purchase healthier foods. Most SNAP authorized stores that offer incentives to SNAP recipients are either farmers' markets or part of a federally-funded grant program that is authorized by statute, including the Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program (GusNIP) administered by the USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), and the Healthy Fluid Milk

Incentive (HFMI) project administered by the Food and Nutrition Service.

Farmer's markets are also already authorized to provide incentives to SNAP recipients under a blanket FNS waiver of the SNAP equal treatment provision, specifically for farmers' markets. Only incentive projects that are funded outside of a Federal grant, other than projects funded by farmers' markets, are required to have a waiver from FNS to provide incentives to SNAP households at authorized SNAP retailer locations. FNS provided incentive waivers to SNAP retailers prior to passage of the 2018 Farm Bill under FNS' regular waiver process and has been providing the waivers under a streamlined approach since 2020. Over the past 3 years, FNS has received an average of nine incentive waiver requests that generally cover multiple retailer locations, and we expect those numbers to increase over the next 5 years. With this new streamlined process, the Department estimates that out of 254,350 authorized retailers that participate in our program, approximately 730 different retailers would be covered under 15 different incentive waiver requests annually. In general, the waivers are granted for three years.

The process for requesting a waiver involves utilizing a form on FNS' website that is directly fillable online and automatically sent to FNS through the website. The information a retailer must submit includes:

1. Requestor Information;
2. Dates of Operation;
3. Retailer location(s), including the FNS number, name, and address of each participating retailer;
4. Foods being incentivized;
5. Description of the incentive model; and
6. The goal of the incentive program.

The Department has identified and outlined the activity and the estimated burden hours associated with submitting a SNAP Retailer Incentive Waiver Request.

SNAP Retailer Incentive Waiver Request

Affected Public: (a) Business or other for-profit, (b) Not-for-profit institution, and (c) State, local or Tribal Government. Respondent groups identified include: Up to a total of four SNAP authorized stores, five not-for-profit institutions, and six State, local or Tribal governments, which are neither farmers' markets nor operating an incentive program under a Federal grant.