

for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Done in Washington, DC, this 5th day of September 2024.

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Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS–2024–0018]

Notice of Request To Renew an Approved Information Collection: Accredited Laboratories

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations, FSIS is announcing its intention to renew an approved information collection regarding accredited laboratories. There are no changes to the existing information collection. The approval for this information collection will expire on February 28, 2025.

DATES: Submit comments on or before November 12, 2024.

ADDRESSES: FSIS invites interested persons to submit comments on this **Federal Register** notice. Comments may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* This website provides commenters the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field on the web page or to attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions at that site for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Send to Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Mailstop 3758, Washington, DC 20250–3700.

- *Hand- or courier-delivered submittals:* Deliver to 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Jamie L. Whitten Building, Room 350–E, Washington, DC 20250–3700.

Instructions: All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the Agency name and docket number FSIS–2024–0018. Comments received in response to this docket will be made available for public inspection and

posted without change, including any personal information, to <https://www.regulations.gov>.

Docket: For access to background documents or comments received, call 202–720–5046 to schedule a time to visit the FSIS Docket Room at 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250–3700.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gina Kouba, Office of Policy and Program Development, Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Mailstop 3758, South Building, Washington, DC 20250–3700; 202–720–5046.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Accredited Laboratories.

OMB Number: 0583–0158.

Type of Request: Renewal of an approved information collection.

Abstract: FSIS has been delegated the authority to exercise the functions of the Secretary (7 CFR 2.18, 2.53), as specified in the Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*), the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA) (21 U.S.C. 451, *et seq.*), and the Egg Products Inspection Act (EPIA) (21 U.S.C. 1031, *et seq.*). These statutes mandate that FSIS protect the public by verifying that meat, poultry, and egg products are safe, wholesome, and properly labeled.

To ensure compliance with the FMIA, PPIA, EPIA and FSIS' implementing regulations, FSIS periodically collects samples of meat, poultry, and egg products and sends them to FSIS laboratories for analysis. These tests are conducted to determine the content of food chemistry components and the presence of pathogens, violative concentrations of veterinary drugs, or other chemical residues to verify whether establishments meet regulatory requirements. In addition, establishments collect samples for analysis at other laboratories, including accredited non-Federal laboratories.

FSIS accredits non-Federal analytical laboratories under its Accredited Laboratory Program (ALP) (see 9 CFR part 439). The ALP monitors each non-Federal laboratory currently accredited under the program to ensure that these laboratories are operating at a level of quality that produces reliable results that can be used to support decisions in establishments' food safety systems.

FSIS is requesting renewal of an approved information collection regarding the ALP. There are no changes to the existing information collection. The approval for this information collection will expire on February 28, 2025.

Any non-Federal laboratory that is applying for the FSIS' ALP regarding the

testing of meat, poultry, or egg products, needs to complete FSIS Form 10,110–2, *Application for FSIS Accredited Laboratory Program* (see 9 CFR part 439). State or private laboratories only submit the application once for entry into the program. FSIS uses the information collected by the form to help assess the laboratory applying for admission to the FSIS Accredited Laboratory program.

FSIS has made the following estimates based upon an information collection assessment:

Estimate of Burden: FSIS estimates that it will take respondents an average of 0.5 hours per year to complete a laboratory form.

Respondents: Laboratories.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2.

Estimated Number of Annual

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 1 hour.

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. Copies of this information collection assessment can be obtained from Gina Kouba, Office of Policy and Program Development, Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Mailstop 3758, South Building, Washington, DC 20250–3700; 202–720–5046.

Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FSIS' functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of FSIS' estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the method 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, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to both FSIS, at the addresses provided above, and the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20253.

Additional Public Notification

Public awareness of all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important. Consequently, FSIS will announce this **Federal Register** publication on-line through the FSIS web page located at: <https://www.fsis.usda.gov/federal-register>.

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addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

(1) *Mail*: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20250-9410;

(2) *Fax*: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or

(3) *Email*: program.intake@usda.gov. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

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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; Generic Clearance for 2030 Census Small-Scale Tests, Evaluations, and Database Updates

AGENCY: Census Bureau, Department of 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 information collection, Generic Clearance for 2030 Census Small-Scale Tests, Evaluations, and Database Updates, prior to the submission of the information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before November 12, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments by

email to Michael S. Snow (dcmd.pra@census.gov). Please reference Generic Clearance for 2030 Census Small-Scale Tests, Evaluations, and Database Updates in the subject line of your comments. You may also submit comments, identified by Docket Number USBC-2024-0024, 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 Michael S. Snow, Supervisory Program Analyst, Decennial Program Management Office, Decennial Census Management Division, (301) 763-9912, dcmd.pra@census.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The U.S. Census Bureau plans to request OMB approval for a three-year period for a new Generic Information Collection to conduct a series of studies to research and evaluate how to improve data collection activities for 2030 Census programs at the Census Bureau. In addition, the Census Bureau developed recommendations from lessons learned from previous censuses and received suggestions from stakeholders, focus groups, and results of earlier research studies, on updating address databases and other datasets used to plan and conduct larger tests and the 2030 Census itself. Under this Generic Information Collection, the Census Bureau also plans to test implementing some of those recommendations and suggestions. These studies and updates will explore how the Census Bureau can improve efficiency, data quality, and response rates and reduce respondent burden in future census and survey tests, operations, evaluations, experiments, and database updates. Having this Generic Information Collection will also provide the quick turn-around necessary for conducting unplanned tests and