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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Intent to Grant Exclusive License

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to Northwest Agricultural Products, Inc. of Pasco, Washington, an exclusive license to U.S. Patent No. 5,552,315, "Bacteria for the Control of Fusarium Dry Rot of Potatoes", issued on September 3, 1996, U.S. Patent No. 5,783,411, "Bacterial Control of Fusarium Dry Rot of Potatoes", issued on July 21, 1998, and U.S. Patent No. 6,107,247, "Biological Control of Sprouting in Potatoes", issued on August 22, 2000.

DATES: Comments must be received within thirty (30) days of the date of publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Rm. 4-1174, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-5131.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; *telephone:* 301-504-5989.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Government's patent rights in this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as Northwest Agricultural Products, Inc. of Pasco, Washington has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective

exclusive license may be granted unless, within thirty (30) days from the date of this published Notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Richard J. Brenner,

Assistant Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request: Uniform Grant Application Package for Discretionary Grant Programs

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, 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 proposed information collections. The proposed collection is a revision and extension of a currently approved collection.

The purpose of the Uniform Grant Application Package for Discretionary Grant Programs is to provide a standardized format for the development of all Requests for Applications released by the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Agency and to allow for a more expeditious OMB clearance process.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before October 20, 2008.

ADDRESSES: 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 has 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 the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments may be sent to Lael J. Lubing, Grants Management Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 732, Alexandria, VA 22302. Comments may also be submitted via fax to the attention of Lael J. Lubing at 703-605-0363 or via e-mail to lael.lubing@fns.usda.gov.

All written comments will be open for public inspection at the office of the Food and Nutrition Service during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday) at 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, Virginia 22302, Room 732.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection form and instruction should be directed to Lael J. Lubing on (703) 305-2048.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Uniform Grant Application Package for Discretionary Grant Programs.

OMB Number: 0584-0512.

Expiration Date: November 30, 2008.

Type of Request: Revision of the previously approved collection of information.

Abstract: FNS has a number of discretionary grant programs. (Consistent with the definition in 7 CFR Part 3016, the term "grant" as used in this notice includes cooperative agreements.) The authorities for these grants vary and will be cited as part of each grant application solicitation. The purpose of the revision to the currently approved collection for the Uniform Grant Application Package for Discretionary Grant Programs is to continue the authority for the established uniform grant application package and to update the number of collection hours. The uniform collection package is useable for all of FNS' discretionary grant programs to collect information from grant applicants that is needed to evaluate and rank applicants and protect the integrity of the grantee

selection process. All FNS discretionary grant programs will be eligible, but not required, to use the uniform grant application package. Before soliciting applications for a discretionary grant program, FNS will decide whether the uniform grant application package will meet the needs of that grant program. If FNS decides to use the uniform grant application package, FNS will note in the grant solicitation that applicants must use the uniform grant application package and that the information collection has already been approved by OMB. If FNS decides not to use the uniform grant application package or determines that it needs grant applicants to provide additional information not contained in the uniform package, then FNS will publish a notice soliciting comments on its proposal to collect different or additional information before making the grant solicitation.

The uniform grant application package will include general information and instructions; a checklist; a requirement for the program narrative statement describing how the grant objectives will be reached; the Standard Form (SF) 424 series that requests basic information, budget information, a lobbying certification and an optional survey form to ensure equal opportunity for applicants. The proposed information collection covered by this notice is related to the requirements for the program narrative statement. The requirements for the program narrative statement are based on the requirements for program narrative statements described in section 1c(5) of the OMB Circular A-102, and will apply to all types of grantees—State and local governments, Indian Tribal Organizations, Non-Profit Organizations, Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals and For-Profit Organizations. The information collection burden related to the SF-424 series, lobbying certification and the optional survey form for all applicants have been separately approved by OMB.

Affected Public: State and local governments, Indian Tribal Organizations, Non-Profit Organizations, Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and For-Profit Organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 315.

Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.5.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 472.5.

Hours per Response: 66.

Number of Record Keepers: 315.

Estimated Annual Hours per Record Keepers: 66.

Total Record Keeping Hours: 31,185.
Total Annual Reporting Hours: 31,185.

Dated: August 12, 2008.

Roberto Salazar,

Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.
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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Florida Advisory Committee

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 Florida Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will convene at 1 p.m. and adjourn at 5 p.m. on Thursday, September 11, 2008, at the Diplomat Hotel, 501 Diplomat Parkway, Miami, FL 33009. A first purpose of the meeting is for the Committee to receive briefings on religious discrimination and the Federal Housing Assistance Program. A second purpose is for the Committee to plan activities regarding a civil rights project for 2009.

Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the Southern Regional Office by September 30, 2008. The address is 61 Forsyth St., SW., Suite 18T40, Atlanta, GA 30303. Persons wishing to e-mail comments may do so to pminarik@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information should contact Peter Minarik, Regional Director, Southern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights at 404-562-7000 (or for the hearing impaired, TDD 202-376-8116). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Southern 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, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or to contact the Southern regional Office at the above e-mail or street address.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission and FACA.

Dated in Washington, DC, August 15, 2008.
Christopher Byrnes,
Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.
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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Wyoming Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and the regulations of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that a meeting of the Wyoming Advisory Committee will convene at 10 a.m. and adjourn at 12 p.m. (MST) on Saturday, September 13, 2008 at Little America, 2800 W. Lincolnway, Cheyenne, WY 82009.

The purpose of the meeting is to conduct orientation and ethics training for the newly appointed committee. The committee will discuss recent Commission and regional activities, discuss current civil rights issues in the state, and plan future activities.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Malee V. Craft, Director of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, (303) 866-1040 (TDD 303-866-1049). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, August 15, 2008.
Christopher Byrnes,
Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).
Title: Atlantic Highly Migratory Species Vessel and Gear Marking.
Form Number(s): None.