

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by June 16, 2003 to be assured of consideration.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Rural Housing Loans.

OMB Number: 0575-0078.

Expiration Date of Approval: September 30, 2003.

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

Abstract: The Rural Housing Service (RHS) is authorized under Section 517 (d) of Title V of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, to issue loan guarantees for the acquisition of new or existing dwellings and related facilities to provide decent, safe, and sanitary living conditions and other structures in rural areas by eligible recipients.

The Act also authorizes the Secretary to pay the holder of a guaranteed loan the difference between the rate of interest paid by the borrower and the market rate of interest.

The purpose of the program is to assist low and moderate income individuals and families acquire or construct a single family residence in a rural area with loans made by private lenders. Eligibility for this program includes low and moderate income families or persons whose income does not exceed 115 percent of the median income for the area, as determined by the Secretary.

The Guaranteed Rural Housing (GRH) program was authorized under the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, and the Agency issued a final rule implementing the GRH program on April 17, 1991, before departmental reorganization. The program began as a pilot program in 20 States on May 17, 1991. In 1992, the GRH program was offered on a nationwide basis. During the implementation process, the Agency looked for ways to improve the program and make it more user friendly.

The Agency recognized the need to make its program even more compatible with the existing structure of the mortgage lending community. On May 22, 1995, the Agency published a final rule incorporating the needed changes to encourage greater participation by lenders and the secondary market for mortgage loans.

The information requested by the Agency includes borrower financial

information such as household income, assets and liabilities, and monthly expenses. All information collected is vital for the Agency to determine if borrowers qualify for and assure they receive all assistance for which they are eligible. Information requested on lenders is required to ensure lenders are eligible to participate in the GRH program. Lender requirements are in compliance with OMB Circular A-129.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .48 hours per response.

Respondents: Individuals or households and business or other for-profits.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 37,456.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 6.7.

Estimated Number of Responses: 250,756.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 120,442 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Tracy Givlekian, Team Leader, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, at (202) 692-0039.

Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of RHS, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) the accuracy of RHS'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, 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 Tracy Givlekian, Team Leader, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, STOP 0742, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250. 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.

Dated: March 24, 2003.

James E. Selmon III,
Acting Administrator, Rural Housing Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economics and Statistics Administration

Decennial Census Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Economics and Statistics Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Title 5, United States Code, Appendix 2, Section 10(a)(b), the Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) is giving notice of a meeting of the Decennial Census Advisory Committee. The Committee will address issues related to the 2010 reengineered decennial census, including the American Community Survey and other related decennial programs. Last-minute changes to the schedule are possible, which could prevent advance notification.

DATES: May 8-9, 2003. On May 8, the meeting will begin at approximately 8:30 a.m. and end at approximately 5:15 p.m. On May 9, the meeting will begin at approximately 8:30 a.m. and end at approximately 12 noon.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Reston Hotel, 11810 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20191.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeri Green, Committee Liaison Officer, Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 3627, Federal Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20233, telephone (301) 763-2070, TTY (301) 457-2540.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Decennial Census Advisory Committee is composed of a Chair, Vice-Chair, and up to 40 member organizations, all appointed by the Secretary of Commerce. The Committee considers the goals of the decennial census and users' needs for information provided by the decennial census. The Committee provides an outside-user perspective about how research and design plans for the 2010 reengineered decennial census and the development of the American Community Survey and other related programs will realize those goals and satisfy those needs. The members of the Advisory Committee will draw on their experience with Census 2000 planning and operational processes, results of research studies, test censuses, and results of the Census 2000 evaluation program to provide input on the design and related operations of the 2010 reengineered decennial census, the American Community Survey, and other related programs.

A brief period will be set aside at the meeting for public comment. However, individuals with extensive statements for the record must submit them in writing to the Census Bureau Committee Liaison Officer, named above, at least three working days prior to the meeting. Seating is available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis.

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Census Bureau Committee Liaison Officer as soon as known and preferably two weeks prior to the meeting.

Dated: April 4, 2003.

Kathleen B. Cooper,

*Under Secretary for Economic Affairs,
Economics and Statistics Administration.*
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 17-2003]

Foreign-Trade Zone 193—Pinellas County, FL, Expansion of Manufacturing Authority-Subzone 193A, Cardinal Health 409, Inc. (Gelatin Capsules/Pharmaceutical Products); Pinellas County, FL

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, grantee of FTZ 193, requesting to expand the scope of manufacturing authority under zone procedures within Subzone 193A, at the Cardinal Health 409, Inc. (formerly R.P. Scherer Corporation) facilities in the St. Petersburg/Clearwater area (Pinellas County), Florida. It was formally filed on March 27, 2003.

Subzone 193A was approved by the Board in 2000 at 4 sites (42.1 acres) in the St. Petersburg/Clearwater area (Pinellas County), with authority granted for the manufacture of soft gelatin capsules and certain pharmaceutical products (Board Order 1117, 65 FR 54196, 9/7/2000).

Subzone 193A (754 employees) is currently requesting to expand the scope of authority for manufacturing activity conducted under FTZ procedures to include the manufacture of a new anti-AIDS drug, using foreign and domestic ingredients. The foreign ingredient is classified under HTSUS 2935.00.4800 and has a 7.4% duty rate. The finished product is classified under HTSUS 3004.70.9010 and is duty-free. Cardinal will be finishing and

encapsulating the finished drug under contract for a pharmaceutical company, which would then use the drug in clinical trials.

Zone procedures would exempt Cardinal from Customs duty payments on foreign materials used in production for export. On domestic shipments, the company would be able to defer Customs duty payments on foreign materials, and to choose the duty rate that applies to finished products (duty-free) instead of the rate otherwise applicable to the foreign input material (7.4%). The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures would help improve Cardinal's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at one of the following addresses:

1. *Submissions Via Express/Package Delivery Services:* Foreign-Trade-Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin Court Building—Suite 4100W, 1099 14th St. NW., Washington, DC 20005; or

2. *Submissions Via the U.S. Postal Service:* Foreign-Trade-Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, FCB—Suite 4100W, 1401 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20230.

The closing period for their receipt is May 30, 2003. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to April 30, 2003).

A copy of the request will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board's Executive Secretary at address Number 1 listed above.

Dated: April 8, 2003.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 18-2003]

Foreign-Trade Zone 29—Louisville, KY, Area Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board), by the Louisville and

Jefferson County Riverport Authority, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 29, Louisville, Kentucky, requesting authority to expand its zone at sites within the Owensboro, Kentucky-Evansville, Indiana, Customs port of entry. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally filed on April 4, 2003.

FTZ 29 currently serves businesses in the Louisville Customs port of entry area. The proposed change would expand the FTZ 29 plan to also serve businesses in the Kentucky portion of the Owensboro-Evansville Customs port of entry, which currently has no existing zone sites.

FTZ 29 was approved on May 26, 1977 (Board Order 118, 42 FR 29323, 6/8/77) and expanded on January 31, 1989 (Board Order 429, 54 F.R. 5992, 2/7/89); December 15, 1997 (Board Order 941, 62 FR 67044, 12/23/97); July 17, 1998 (Board Order 995, 63 FR 40878, 7/31/98); December 11, 2000 (Board Order 1133, 65 FR 79802, 12/20/00); and, January 15, 2002 (Board Order 1204, 67 FR 4391, 1/30/02). The zone project currently consists of the following sites in the Louisville, Kentucky, area: *Site 1* (1,674 acres)—1,668 acres within the Riverport Industrial complex and 6 acres at 3401 Jewell Avenue, Louisville; *Site 2* (593 acres)—located at the junction of Gene Snyder Freeway and La Grange Road, eastern Jefferson County; *Site 3* (142 acres)—United States Navy Ordnance facility, 5403 Southside Drive, Louisville; *Site 4* (2,311 acres)—consisting of the Louisville International Airport and three other airport-related parcels; *Site 5* (70 acres)—Marathon Ashland Petroleum LLC Tank Farm and pipelines, 4510 Algonquin Parkway along the Ohio River, Louisville; and *Site 6* (316 acres)—Cedar Grove Business Park, Highway 480, near Interstate 65, Bullitt County.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the general-purpose zone to include two new sites in Henderson and Owensboro, Kentucky: *Proposed Site 7* (273 acres)—Henderson County Riverport Authority facilities, 6200 Riverport Road, Henderson; and, *Proposed Site 8* (182 acres)—Owensboro Riverport Authority facilities, 2300 Harbor Road, Owensboro. Proposed Site 7 is owned by the Henderson County Riverport Authority and the Abbott Family Farm. Proposed Site 8 is owned by the Owensboro Riverport Authority. No specific manufacturing requests are being made at this time. Such requests