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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

April 10, 2013.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), New Executive Office Building, 725-17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20502. Commenters are encouraged to submit their comments to OMB via email to:

OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received by May 16, 2013. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8681.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control

number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Rural Housing Service

Title: 7 CFR 1951-F, Analyzing Credit Needs and Graduation Review.

OMB Control Number: 0575-0093.

Summary of Collection: Section 333 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act and Section 502 of the Housing Act of 1949, requires the Rural Housing Service (RHS), to graduate their direct loan borrowers to other credit when they are able to do so. Graduation is an integral part of Agency lending, as Government loans are not meant to be extended beyond a borrower's need for subsidized rates of non-market terms. The notes, security instruments, or loan agreements of most borrowers require borrowers to refinance their Agency loans when other credit becomes available at reasonable rates and terms. If the borrower finds other credit is not available at reasonable rates and terms, the Agency will continue to review the borrower for possible graduation at periodic intervals. Information will be collected from the borrowers concerning their loans.

Need and Use of the Information: The information submitted by RHS borrowers to Agency offices is used to graduate direct borrowers to private credit with or without the use of Agency loan guarantees. At minimum, the financial information must include a balance sheet and an income statement. Other financial data collected will include information such as income, farm operating expenses, asset values, and liabilities.

Description of Respondents: Farms; Business or other for-profit; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 210.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 430.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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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: U.S. Census Bureau.

Title: American Community Survey.

OMB Control Number: 0607-0810.

Form Number(s): ACS-1, ACS-1(SP), ACS-1PR, ACS-1PR(SP), ACS CATI(HU), ACS CAPI(HU), ACS Internet (HU), ACS-1(GQ), ACS-1(GQ)(PR).

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden Hours: 2,455,868.

Number of Respondents: 3,760,000.

Average Hours per Response: 40 minutes for the average household questionnaire.

Needs and Uses: The U.S. Census Bureau requests authorization from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for revisions to the American Community Survey (ACS). The Census Bureau has developed a methodology to collect and update demographic, social, economic, and housing data every year that are essentially the same as the "long-form" data that the Census Bureau traditionally has collected once a decade as part of the decennial census. Federal and state government agencies use such data to evaluate and manage federal programs and to distribute funding for various programs that include food stamp benefits, transportation dollars, and housing grants. State, county, and community governments, nonprofit organizations, businesses, and the general public use information like housing quality, income distribution, journey-to-work patterns, immigration data, and regional age distributions for decision-making and program evaluation.

In years past, the Census Bureau collected the long-form data only once every ten years and it became out of date over the course of the decade. To provide more timely data, the Census Bureau developed the ACS. The ACS blends the strength of small area estimation with the high quality of current surveys. There is an increasing need for current data describing lower geographic detail. The ACS is now the

only source of data available for small-area levels across the Nation and in Puerto Rico. In addition, there is an increased interest in obtaining data for small subpopulations such as groups within the Hispanic, Asian, and American Indian populations, the elderly, and children. The ACS provides current data throughout the decade for small areas and subpopulations.

Using the Master Address File (MAF) from the decennial census, which is updated each year, we select a sample of addresses and mail survey materials each month to a new group of potential households. Most households are asked first to complete the survey via the Internet, with a paper questionnaire provided to those households that do not respond via Internet. We then attempt to conduct interviews over the telephone with households that have not responded either by mail or Internet. Upon completion of the telephone follow-up, we select a sub-sample of the remaining households that have not responded either by mail, Internet, or telephone and designate the household for a personal interview. Typically, for personal interviews, we sample at a rate of one in three. We also conduct interviews with a sample of residents at a selected group quarters (GQ) facilities. Collecting these data from a new sample of housing units (HUs) and GQ facilities every month provides more timely data and lessens respondent burden in the Decennial Census.

The goals of the ACS are to:

- Provide federal, state, and local governments an information base for the administration and evaluation of government programs; and
- Provide data users with timely demographic, housing, social, and economic data updated every year that can be compared across states, communities, and population groups.

The content of the proposed 2014 ACS questionnaire and data collection instruments for both housing unit and group quarters operations reflect changes to content and instructions that were proposed in 2012. A two-part question on Health Insurance Premiums and Subsidies will be added. The race question will be modified to remove the term "Negro" from the "Black, African Am., or Negro" response category. Additional response categories will be added for housing units classified as "other vacant" to provide information that is more precise. Finally, the Number of Times Married question will be removed.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: Response to the ACS is on a one-time basis.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.
Legal Authority: Title 13, United States Code, Sections 141, 193, and 221.
OMB Desk Officer: Brian Harris-Kojetin, (202) 395-7314.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at jjessup@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Brian Harris-Kojetin, OMB Desk Officer either by fax (202-395-7245) or email (bharrisk@omb.eop.gov).

Dated: April 11, 2013

Glenna Mickelson,
Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-30-2013]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 225— Springfield, Missouri; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; General Dynamics Ordnance and Tactical Systems Munitions Services (Demilitarization of Munitions); Carthage, Missouri

The City of Springfield Airport Board, grantee of FTZ 225, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board on behalf of General Dynamics Ordnance and Tactical Systems Munitions Services (GDOTS), located in Carthage, Missouri. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on April 3, 2013.

A separate application for a usage-driven site at the GDOTS facility was submitted and will be processed under Section 400.38 of the Board's regulations. The facility is used for the demilitarization of munitions and other explosive components. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials and components and specific finished products described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could allow GDOTS to conduct

demilitarization activity on imported articles at the facility. Upon completion of the demilitarization, GDOTS would make customs entry on the following: waste, parings and scrap of polymers and ethylene; articles of plastic; waste and scrap of cast iron, stainless steel, other alloy steel, tinned iron or steel, copper, nickel, aluminum, lead, zinc, tin and tungsten; other waste and scrap; remelting scrap ingots; other articles of iron or steel; and, munitions (duty rate duty-free to 5.3%) for the foreign articles noted below.

The articles sourced from abroad include: bombs, grenades, torpedoes, mines, missiles and other munitions and ammunition (duty-free).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is May 28, 2013.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230-0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Elizabeth Whiteman at Elizabeth.Whiteman@trade.gov or (202) 482-0473.

April 8, 2013.

Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Special Priorities Assistance

AGENCY: Bureau of Industry and Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before June 17, 2013.