

Additional Information or Comments: Comments may be mailed to Jimmy A. Beard; Assistant to the Chief; Livestock and Grain Market News Branch, Livestock and Seed Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture; STOP 0252; 1400 Independence Avenue, SW.; Room 2619-S; Washington, DC 20250-0252; Phone (202) 720-8054; Fax (202) 690-3732; or e-mailed to the Federal Rulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mailed to marketnewscomments@usda.gov. State that your comments refer to Docket No. AMS-AMS-10-0012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Lynch, Acting Chief, Livestock and Grain Market News Branch, AMS, USDA, by telephone on 202/720-6231, or via e-mail at: michael.lynch@ams.usda.gov, or Jimmy A. Beard, Assistant to the Chief, Livestock and Grain Market News Branch, AMS, USDA, or by telephone on 202/720-6231, or e-mail at: jimmy.beard@ams.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Livestock Mandatory Reporting Act of 1999.

OMB Number: 0581-0186.

Expiration Date of Approval: 09-30-2010.

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

Abstract: The 1999 Act was enacted into law on October 22, 1999 (Pub. L. 106-78; 7 U.S.C. 1635-1636h), as an amendment to the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621-1627). The 1999 Act as originally passed provided for the mandatory reporting of market information by federally inspected livestock processing plants that have slaughtered an average number of livestock during the immediately preceding 5 calendar years (125,000 for cattle and 100,000 for swine), including any processing plant that did not slaughter during the immediately preceding 5 calendar years if the Secretary determines that the plant should be considered a packer based on the plant's capacity. For entities that did not slaughter during the immediately preceding 5 calendar years, such as a new plant or existing plant that begins operations, AMS projects the plant's annual slaughter or production based upon the plant's estimate of annual slaughter capacity to determine which entities meet the definition of a packer as defined in this regulation. The 1999 Act also gave the Secretary the latitude to provide for the reporting of lamb information. Federally inspected lamb processing plants that slaughtered

an average of 75,000 head of lambs or processed an average of 75,000 lamb carcasses during the immediately preceding 5 calendar years were required to submit information to AMS. Additionally, a lamb processing plant that did not slaughter an average of 75,000 lambs or process an average of 75,000 lamb carcasses during the immediately preceding 5 calendar years was required to report information if the Secretary determined the processing plant should be considered a packer based on its capacity. In addition, the Act also established that for any calendar year, an importer of lamb that imported an average of 5,000 metric tons of lamb meat products per year during the immediately preceding 5 calendar years, report information on the domestic sales of imported boxed lamb cuts. Additionally, an importer that did not import an average of 5,000 metric tons of lamb meat products during the immediately preceding 5 calendar years was required to report information if the Secretary determined that the person should be considered an importer based on their volume of lamb imports. The regulations implementing the Act appear at 7 CFR, part 59. On September 2, 2004, AMS published a final rule (69 FR 53783) that revised the threshold for importers to 2,500 metric tons and modified the definition of carlot when used in reference to boxed lamb cuts.

The 1999 Act was reauthorized in October 2006, which re-established the regulatory authority and amended the swine reporting requirements to include swine packers that slaughtered an average of at least 200,000 sows, boars, or combination thereof per year during the immediately preceding 5 calendar years. On May 16, 2008, AMS published a final rule (75 FR 28606) implementing the same.

The reports that are generated by the 1999 Act are used by other Government agencies to evaluate market conditions and calculate price levels, such as USDA's Farm Service Agency, that administers the Farmer-owned Reserve Program. Economists at most major agricultural colleges and universities use the reports to make short and long-term market projections. Also, the Government is a large purchaser of livestock and related products. A system to monitor the collection and reporting of data therefore is needed.

The information must be collected, compiled, and disseminated by an impartial third-party, in a manner which protects the confidentiality of the reporting entity. AMS is in the best position to provide this service.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this Collection of information is estimated to average .1928 hours per response.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities, individuals or households, farms, and the Federal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 389.

Estimated Number of Responses: 118,768.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 305.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 22,898 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 Jimmy A. Beard, 1400 Independence Ave., Room 2619-S; Washington, DC 20250-0252. Comments can be submitted to: <http://www.regulations.gov> and viewed there as well. All comments received will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at the same address or on the Internet at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsmnpubs>.

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.

Dated: May 19, 2010.

David R. Shipman,
Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Doc. No FV10-CP-01, AMS-FV-10-0041]

Web Based Supply Chain Management Commodity Offer Form, Paperwork Collection Notice

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on a revision of a currently approved information collection request. This information collection is necessary to support the procurement of agricultural commodities for domestic nutrition assistance programs. AMS issues invitations to purchase fresh and processed commodities for domestic nutrition assistance programs on a year round basis. The revision to the information collection request is required for the implementation of a new system named Web Based Supply Chain Management (WBSCM) that will allow respondents to submit information electronically. It will replace the existing computer request for information collected with and a similar set of computer requested data in WBSCM. The information collection burden for respondents should not increase.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before July 26, 2010.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit comments on this notice. In your comment, include date, and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *E-mail:* Send comments to: david.tuckwiller@ams.usda.gov.

- *Fax:* (202) 720-2782.

- *Mail:* David Tuckwiller, Project Manager, Web Based Supply Chain Management System, Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Room 1406, Washington, DC 20090.

You may also send comments to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Tuckwiller, Project Manager, Web Based Supply Chain Management System, phone (202) 720-4517.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: WBSCM Offer Forms.

OMB Number: 0581-NEW.

Expiration Date: Three years from approval.

Type of Request: Regular.

Abstract: AMS purchases commodities for various domestic nutrition assistance programs, and provides support for commodity markets with surplus inventory. AMS issues invitations to purchase agricultural commodities for use in

domestic nutrition assistance programs. Currently, vendors respond by submitting sealed bids electronically via Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES).

This information collection request is for the new WBSCM system where respondents will submit information electronically via that system. It will replace DEBES.

Vendor information and the annual certification information will be entered and received electronically in WBSCM. All of the domestic offer information will be entered and received electronically in WBSCM. Vendors will be able to access WBSCM to see the date and time the system shows for receipt of bid, bid modification, or bid cancellation information. At bid opening date and time, the bid information is evaluated through the WBSCM system. Acceptances will be sent to the successful offerors electronically. Awarded contracts will be posted on the AMS Web site.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for collecting information under this notice is estimated to average 25 (divide the burden hours by # of responses $944/2266 = .41$ or 25 minutes) minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

Respondents: Businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 344.

Estimated Average Number of Responses per Respondent: 6.59 (# of response/# of respondents $2266/344 = 6.59$).

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 2266.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 944 hours.

We are requesting comments on all aspects of this information collection that will help us to:

- (1) Evaluate 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;

- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

- (3) Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected;

- (4) 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.

All comments 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: May 19, 2010.

David R. Shipman,

Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS-2010-0004]

Availability of Compliance Guide for Mobile Slaughter Units

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability and opportunity for comments.

SUMMARY: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is announcing the availability of a compliance guide on mobile slaughter units. FSIS will post this compliance guide on its Significant Guidance Documents Web page http://www.fsis.usda.gov/Significant_Guidance/index.asp. FSIS encourages those who own or manage mobile slaughter units to avail themselves of this guidance document in meeting the pertinent regulatory requirements. FSIS is also soliciting comments on this compliance guide. The Agency will consider carefully all comments submitted and will revise the guide as warranted.

DATES: Submit written comments by July 26, 2010.

ADDRESSES: FSIS invites interested persons to submit comments on this notice and the compliance guidelines. Comments may be submitted by either of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: This Web site 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 online instructions at that site for submitting comments.

Mail, including floppy disks or CD-ROMs, and hand- or courier-delivered items: Send to Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), FSIS, Room 2-2127, George Washington Carver Center, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Mailstop 5474, Beltsville, MD 20705-5474.

Instructions: All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the