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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

7 CFR Parts 1000, 1001, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1030, 1032, 1033, 1124, 1126 and 1131

[Doc. No. AMS-DA-09-0065; DA-09-04]

Federal Milk Marketing Orders; Section 610 Review

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of regulatory review and request for comments.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) review of the Federal Milk Marketing Orders using the criteria contained in section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), as amended.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by April 13, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments concerning this notice of review by using the electronic process available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Written comments may also be sent to Erin C. Taylor, Marketing Specialist, Order Formulation and Enforcement Branch, USDA/AMS/Dairy Programs, STOP 0231-Room 2971-S, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-0231. All comments, which should reference the docket number and the date and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**, will be made available for public inspection via www.regulations.gov, or during regular business hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Erin C. Taylor, USDA/AMS/Dairy Programs, Order Formulations and Enforcement Branch, Stop 0231-Room 2971-S, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-0233, (202) 720-7311, Erin.Taylor@ams.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal milk marketing order (FMMO) program is authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act

of 1937 (Act), as amended (7 U.S.C. 601-674). It is designed to ensure a stable supply of fresh fluid milk for fluid processors and consumers. The program accomplishes this by providing a framework to make buying and selling milk a more orderly process thereby counteracting the inherent instability in the fluid milk markets.

A FMMO is a regulation issued by the Secretary of Agriculture that places certain requirements on the handling of milk for the fluid market in a geographic marketing area. It requires that handlers of milk for a marketing area pay no less than specified minimum class prices according to how the milk is used or classified. Class prices are determined by supply and demand conditions and the costs of serving alternative markets. A FMMO requires that payments for milk be combined and paid to individual farmers or cooperative associations of farmers on the basis of a uniform or average price for all milk sold. Thus, eligible farmers (producers) share the proceeds from all milk purchased by regulated handlers in the marketing area. There are 10 marketing orders regulating the handling of milk in the respective marketing areas. Approximately 60 percent of all milk marketed in the United States is marketed under Federal milk marketing orders.

The two principle objectives of the program are the classified pricing of products and the marketwide pooling of returns. A classified pricing plan sets forth minimum prices that handlers must pay for milk used in different classes of products. The program requires that Class I (bottled milk) demand always be met. The remaining milk produced is considered a reserve supply that is needed to ensure daily fluctuations in Class I demand are always fulfilled. This reserve supply is made into manufactured products (Class II through Class IV) that are sold at prices related to the supply and demand for those products. Class II includes "soft" products such as cottage cheese, ice cream, and yogurt, while Class III and Class IV include the storable, "hard" manufactured products, such as cheese, butter, and nonfat dry milk. Classification is uniform throughout the order system.

Monthly prices for the four classes of milk are determined and announced to both buyers and sellers, providing a

measure of predictability for economic decisions that facilitate orderly marketing. It is at these classified prices that regulated handlers account to the marketwide pool. Each marketing order maintains its own marketwide pool from which a uniform blend price is computed for all the milk sold within that marketing area. The blend price is paid to all farmers who sell milk under the regulations of the program regardless of how their milk is used.

The FMMO program also provides several other functions that benefit producers whose milk is regulated under the program. Federal orders have the authority to verify producer milk weights and component tests, a function that helps assure accurate and equitable payments for milk by regulated handlers. Producers also are assured of receiving timely payments for their milk since order provisions establish and enforce payment dates for milk purchases. In addition, Federal orders perform comprehensive audits to assure accurate reporting of how handlers utilize milk.

AMS published in the **Federal Register** a plan (64 FR 8014, February 18, 1999), and later an updated plan (71 FR 14827, March 24, 2006), to review certain regulations using criteria contained in section 610 of the RFA (5 U.S.C. 601-612). Given that many AMS regulations impact small entities, AMS decided as a matter of policy to review certain regulations which, although they may not meet the threshold requirement under section 610 of the RFA, warrant review. Accordingly, this notice and request for comments is made for the FMMO program.

The purpose of the review is to determine whether the FMMO program should be continued without change, amended, or rescinded (consistent with the objectives of the Act) to minimize any significant economic impact of rules upon a substantial number of small entities. AMS will consider the continued need for the FMMO program; the nature of complaints or comments received from the public concerning the FMMO program; the complexity of the FMMO program; the extent to which the FMMO program overlaps, duplicates, or conflicts with other Federal rules, and, to the extent feasible, with State and local government rules; and the length of time since the FMMO program has been evaluated or the degrees to which

technology, economic conditions, or other factors have changes in the area affect by the FMMO program.

Written comments, views, opinions, and other information regarding the FMMO program's impact on small businesses are invited.

Dated: February 6, 2015.

Rex A. Barnes,

Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

10 CFR Part 430

[Docket No. EERE-2011-BT-STD-0043]

RIN 1904-AC51

Energy Efficiency Program for Residential Products: Energy Conservation Standards for Miscellaneous Refrigeration Products

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Reopening of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has published a preliminary technical support document (TSD) that analyzes the potential economic impacts and energy savings that could result from potential energy conservation standards for miscellaneous refrigeration products. DOE published this analysis so stakeholders can review the relevant outputs and the underlining assumptions and calculations. After receiving a request for additional time to comment on the TSD, the comment period for the TSD pertaining to the energy conservation standards for miscellaneous refrigeration products is reopened until March 2, 2015.

DATES: The comment period for the TSD pertaining to energy conservation standards for miscellaneous refrigeration products is reopened until March 2, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons may submit comments, identified by docket number EERE-2011-BT-STD-0043 and/or Regulation Identification Number (RIN) 1904-AC51, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Email:* WineChillers-2011-STD-0043@ee.doe.gov. Include the docket number EERE-2011-BT-STD-0043

and/or RIN 1904-AC51 in the subject line of the message.

- *Mail:* Ms. Brenda Edwards, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Program, Mailstop EE-5B, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121. If possible, please submit all items on a compact disc (CD), in which case it is not necessary to include printed copies. [Please note that comments and CDs sent by mail are often delayed and may be damaged by mail screening processes.]

- *Hand Delivery/Courier:* Ms. Brenda Edwards, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Program, 950 L'Enfant Plaza SW., Suite 600, Washington, DC 20024. Telephone (202) 586-2945. If possible, please submit all items on CD, in which case it is not necessary to include printed copies.

Docket: The docket is available for review at www.regulations.gov, including **Federal Register** notices, public meeting attendee lists and transcripts, comments, and other supporting documents/materials. All documents in the docket are listed in the www.regulations.gov index. However, not all documents listed in the index may be publicly available, such as information that is exempt from public disclosure. The rulemaking Web page can be found at: http://www1.eere.energy.gov/buildings/appliance_standards/rulemaking.aspx/ruleid/71. This Web page contains a link to the docket for this notice on the www.regulations.gov site. The www.regulations.gov Web page contains instructions on how to access all documents in the docket, including public comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Joseph Hagerman, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Office, Mailstop EE-5B, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121. Email: refrigerators_and_freezers@EE.Doe.Gov.

In the Office of the General Counsel, contact Mr. Michael Kido, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of the General Counsel, GC-33, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121. Telephone: (202) 586-8145. Email: Michael.Kido@hq.doe.gov.

For further information on how to submit a comment and review other public comments and the docket, contact Ms. Brenda Edwards at (202) 586-2945 or by email: Brenda.Edwards@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOE published a notice of public meeting and availability of the preliminary

technical support document in the **Federal Register** to make available and invite comments on its preliminary analysis regarding energy conservation standards for miscellaneous refrigeration products. 79 FR 71705 (December 3, 2014) The notice provided for the written submission of comments by February 2, 2015. Thereafter, the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) requested an extension of the public comment period. AHAM stated that additional time is necessary to review the published analysis in order to prepare and submit comments. DOE has determined that reopening the comment period to allow additional time for interested parties to submit comments is appropriate based on the foregoing reason. DOE believes that re-opening the comment period will provide the public with sufficient time to submit comments responding to DOE's preliminary analysis. Accordingly, DOE will consider any comments received by midnight of March 2, 2015, and deems any comments received by that time to be timely submitted.

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 3, 2015.

Kathleen B. Hogan,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

10 CFR Part 460

[Docket Number EERE-2009-BT-BC-0021]

RIN 1904-AC11

Energy Conservation Program: Energy Efficiency Standards for Manufactured Housing

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Request for information.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has initiated the process to develop and publish energy efficiency standards for manufactured housing, as directed by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA). To facilitate this process, enhance the quality of the standards and supporting documentation, and to allow interested parties to provide comments and information, DOE is publishing this request for information (RFI). DOE specifically is interested under this RFI in receiving information that relates to