

publication referenced in the proposal including titles and all co-authors; *Collaborative Arrangements*—a full explanation of any collaboration by the principle investigators and evidence that the collaborators are willing to provide the assistance; *Vitae and Publications*—a presentation of the academic and research credentials including education employment, professional history, honors and awards; and, a chronological list of all publications in referenced journals for the past 5 years; *Budget* (ARS-455)—a detailed request of the support for the overall project including salaries and wages, nonexpendable equipment, materials and supplies, domestic travel, publication costs, computer costs other direct and indirect costs; *Indirect Cost Rate Schedule*—a copy of the entity's indirect cost rate schedule that reports the applicant's federally negotiated audited rate; *Current and Pending Support*—a statement of the contribution that the proposed work will make to the applicant's overall research program; *Additions to the Project Description*—other information necessary to support data provided in other sections of the application/proposal.

In addition to the above referenced Application Kit, ERS will utilize the following forms: SF-424, SF-424a "application for Federal Assistance," SF-424b "Assurances—Non-Construction Programs," SF-269 "Financial Status Report," "Request for Advance or Reimbursement." We have determined that the standardized public burden hours associated with these forms is valid and appropriate for use with this information collection, and those standard hours will be added to the burden hours associated with the Application Kit.

*Estimate of Burden: Application Kit*—24.75 hours; SF-424 "Application For Federal Assistance"—.75 hours; SF-424a "Budget Information—Non-construction Programs"—3.0 hours; SF-424b—"Assurances—Non-Construction Programs"—.25 hours; SF-269 "Financial Status Report"—.50 hours; SF-270 "Request for Advance or Reimbursement"—1.0 hours. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30.25.

*Respondents:* Public and private institutions of higher education, State agricultural experiment stations, Federal, State and County agencies, private organizations, corporations, and individuals that meet criteria set forth in program regulations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* Approximately 60 applicants are

expected to submit proposals annually for this program.

*Estimated Annual Number of Responses Per Respondent:* One.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: Application Cover Page* and associated forms referenced above—60 (applicants) X 30.25 (estimate of burden) hours = 1,815 hours.

*Frequency of Responses:* Annually.

*Comments:* 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 will have 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 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 should be sent to the address stated in the preamble. 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: April 9, 2004.

Joseph J. Jen,

Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Farm Service Agency

#### Regulatory Streamlining of the Direct Farm Loan Programs; Availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment and a Draft Finding of No Significant Impact

**AGENCY:** Farm Service Agency, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Farm Service Agency (FSA) announces the availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Regulatory Streamlining of FSA's Direct Farm Loan Programs regulations for public review and comment. The EA has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 as amended (NEPA); Council on Environmental Quality regulations

implementing NEPA at 40 CFR parts 1500-1508; and FSA NEPA regulations at 7 CFR part 1940, subpart G.

**DATES:** Comments should be submitted by May 19, 2004, to be assured consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practical.

**ADDRESSES:** FSA invites interested persons to submit comments on the EA and FONSI. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *E-Mail:* Send comments to james\_fortner@wdc.fsa.usda.gov.
- *Fax:* Submit comments by facsimile transmission to: (202) 720-4619.
- *Mail:* Send comments to James P. Fortner, National Environmental Compliance Manager, Conservation and Environmental Protection Division (CEPD), Farm Service Agency, Stop Code 0513, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250-0513.
- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* Deliver comments to the above address.

Comments may be inspected in the Office of the Director, CEPD, FSA, USDA, Room 4714 South Building, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For a copy of the draft EA or for further information, contact James P. Fortner, National Environmental Compliance Manager, telephone (202) 720-5533; fax (202) 720-4619; e-mail jfortner@wdc.usda.gov. The draft EA and associated FONSI are also available on FSA's Web site at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafp/cepd/epb/assessments.htm>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** FSA published a proposed rule February 9, 2004 (69 FR 6055), that will: Simplify and clarify direct loan regulations; implement the recommendations of the USDA Civil Rights Action Team; meet the objectives of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; meet the goals and objectives of the National Performance Review; and separate FSA's direct farm loan program regulations from the Rural Development mission area loan program regulations. The draft EA evaluates the potential impacts to the human environment associated with this proposed streamlining of the regulations governing its direct farm loan programs.

On the basis of the draft EA, FSA has concluded that the proposed regulatory action will not result in either short-term, long-term, or cumulative significant adverse impacts to the

human environment. Because the proposed regulatory action would not result in significant adverse environmental impacts, FSA concluded that the preparation of a FONSI was appropriate, and therefore, an environmental impact statement is not required.

The basis for the conclusion is supported by the following findings. Cumulative impacts are expected to be minor as implementation of the proposed regulatory action will mainly result in FSA continuing to provide farm ownership, operating and emergency loans and loan servicing actions to farmers and ranchers. Each loan request will be reviewed on a site-specific basis to determine the potential impacts to the human environment.

*Title:* Draft Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for Regulatory Streamlining of the Farm Service Agency's Direct Farm Loan Programs.

Signed in Washington, DC, April 12, 2004.

**Verle E. Lanier,**

*Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee will be meeting to discuss 2004 projects and the Fred Burr 80 project, receive reports on Forest Plan Revision community groups, discuss public outreach methods, and hold a short public forum (question and answer session). The meeting is being held pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393). The meeting is open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on April 20, 2004, 6:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Supervisor's Office of the Bitterroot National Forest, 1801 N. 1st Street, Hamilton, Montana. Send written comments to Jeanne Higgins, District Ranger, Stevensville Ranger District, 88 Main Street, Stevensville, MT 59870, by facsimile (406) 777-7423, or electronically to [jmhiggins@fs.fed.us](mailto:jmhiggins@fs.fed.us).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeanne Higgins, Stevensville District

Ranger and Designated Federal Officer, Phone: (406) 777-5461.

Dated: April 9, 2004.

**David T. Bull,**

*Forest Supervisor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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

*Agency:* Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS).

*Title:* One-Time Report For Foreign Software or Technology Eligible For De Minimis Exclusion.

*Agency Form Number:* Not applicable.

*OMB Approval Number:* 0694-0101.

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

*Burden:* 875 hours.

*Average Time Per Response:* 25 hours per response.

*Number of Respondents:* 35 respondents.

*Needs and Uses:* Any company that is seeking exemption from export controls on foreign software and technology commingled with U.S. software or technology must file a one-time report for the foreign software or technology. The report must include the percentage of relevant values in determining U.S. content, assumptions, and the basis or methodologies for making the percentage calculation. The methodologies must be based upon accounting standards used in the operation of the relevant business, which must be specified in the report.

*Affected Public:* Individuals, businesses or other for-profit institutions.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Mandatory.

*OMB Desk Officer:* Dave Rostker.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this

notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20230.

Dated: April 13, 2004.

**Madeleine Clayton,**

*Management Analyst.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 15-2004]

#### Foreign-Trade Zone 14—Little Rock, Arkansas; Application for Subzone; L'Oreal USA, Inc.; (Cosmetic and Beauty Products); Little Rock, Arkansas

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Arkansas Department of Economic Development, grantee of FTZ 14, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the manufacturing and warehousing facilities of L'Oreal USA, Inc. (L'Oreal USA), located in Little Rock. 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 12, 2004.

The proposed L'Oreal USA subzone has two sites with 921 employees in Pulaski County, Arkansas: Site 1 (100 acres)—located at 11500 Ray Wilson Drive, North Little Rock; and Site 2 (10.4 acres)—located at 6001 Lindsey Road, Little Rock.

The L'Oreal USA facilities will be used for the manufacturing and warehousing of cosmetic and beauty products including hair care, cosmetic, treatment products and fragrance products (HTS 3302.90, 3303.00, 3304.10, 3304.20, 3304.30, 3304.91, 3304.99, 3305.10, 3305.20, 3305.30, 3305.90, 3307.10, 3307.20, 3307.30, 3401.11, 3401.20 and 3401.30). Components and materials sourced from abroad represent some 27% of all parts consumed in manufacturing. The primary inverted tariff savings will come from the following components: plastic, glass, base metal and aluminum packaging components, pads for cosmetic application, carboxylic with additional O2 function, paraphenylenediamine, O2 function amino compounds, quaternary ammonium salts, acyclic amide, fatty substances, animal or vegetable polyethers, polyether nonionic surfactant, mixtures of amino acids, chemical preparations, mixtures of