DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

7 CFR Part 762

RIN 0560-AH41

Guaranteed Loan Fees

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA. **ACTION:** Proposed rule; correction and extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: This document corrects the telephone number for the facsimile machine ("fax") for submission of public comments on the proposed rule entitled Guaranteed Loan Fees published May 15, 2006 (71 FR 27978-27980) and extends the comment period. The original comment period for the proposed rule closed on July 14. 2006, and FSA is extending it until August 4, 2006. Respondents who sent comments to the earlier fax number are encouraged to contact the person named below to find out if their comments were received and re-submit them to fax number below if necessary.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Galen VanVleet at (202) 720–3889. All comments and supporting documents on this rule may be viewed by contacting the information contact. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become a matter of public record.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- (1) This document corrects the proposed rule entitled Guaranteed Loan Fees published May 15, 2006 (71 FR 27978-27980). Due to a drafting error the telephone number for the fax machine for submission of comments was incorrect. Although the machine of the person sending the comment would have indicated that the transmission failed, and a correct number could have been obtained by calling the agency contact, FSA has decided to correct the proposed rule and extend the comment period to ensure that all parties who wish to comment on the proposed rule are provided the maximum opportunity to do so. Accordingly, in the proposed rule, in the first column, in the ADDRESSES section, the fax number shown, "202-690-6797" is corrected to read "202-720-6797."
- (2) As a result of the correction, this document also extends the comment period until August 4, 2006, in order to ensure that the public can submit timely comments.

Signed in Washington, DC, on July 21, 2006.

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Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency. [FR Doc. E6–11979 Filed 7–26–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–05–P

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

8 CFR Parts 215 and 235

[DHS 2005-0037]

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United States Visitor and Immigrant Status Indicator Technology Program ("US-VISIT"); Enrollment of Additional Aliens in US-VISIT

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DHS. **ACTION:** Proposed rule with request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security established the United States Visitor and Immigrant Status Technology (US-VISIT) program in 2003 to verify the identities and travel documents of aliens. US-VISIT automates this verification by comparing biometric identifiers, and by comparing biometric identifiers with information drawn from intelligence and law enforcement watchlists and databases. Aliens subject to US-VISIT may be required to provide fingerscans, photographs, or other biometric identifiers upon arrival at, or departure from, the United States. Currently, aliens entering the United States pursuant to a nonimmigrant visa, or those traveling without a visa as part of the Visa Waiver Program, are subject to US-VISIT requirements, with certain limited exceptions. Under this proposed rule, the Department of Homeland Security will be extending US-VISIT requirements to all aliens with the exception of aliens who are specifically exempted and Canadian citizens applying for admission as B1/B2 visitors for business or pleasure.

DATE: Written comments must be submitted on or before August 28, 2006. **ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by Docket Number DHS—2005—0037 by one of the following methods:

• Federal Rulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting the comments. All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. All comments received will be posted

without change to http:// www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided.

• Written comments may be submitted to Michael Hardin or Craig Howie, Senior Policy Advisors, US– VISIT, Department of Homeland Security; 1616 North Fort Myer Drive, 18th Floor, Arlington, VA 22209.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Hardin or Craig Howie, Senior Policy Advisors, US-VISIT, Department of Homeland Security, 1616 Fort Myer Drive, 18th Floor, Arlington, Virginia 22209, (202) 298–5200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background and Purpose

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) established the United States Visitor and Immigrant Status Indicator Technology Program (US-VISIT) in accordance with several statutory mandates that collectively require DHS to create an integrated, automated biometric entry and exit system that records the arrival and departure of aliens; verifies the identities of aliens; and authenticates travel documents presented by such aliens through the comparison of biometric identifiers. Aliens subject to US-VISIT may be required to provide fingerscans, photographs, or other biometric identifiers upon arrival at, or departure from, the United States. DHS views US-VISIT as a biometricallydriven program designed to enhance the security of United States citizens and visitors while expediting legitimate travel and trade, ensuring the integrity of the immigration system, and protecting visitors' personal information.

The statutes that authorize DHS to establish US–VISIT include, but are not limited to:

- Section 2(a) of the Immigration and Naturalization Service Data Management Improvement Act of 2000, Public Law 106–215, 114 Stat. 337 (June 15, 2000);
- Section 205 of the Visa Waiver Permanent Program Act of 2000, Public Law 106–396, 114 Stat. 1637, 1641 (October 30, 2000);
- Section 414 of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (USA PATRIOT Act), Public Law 107– 56, 115 Stat. 271, 353 (October 26, 2001):
- Section 302 of the Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act of 2002 (Border Security Act) Public Law 107–173, 116 Stat. 543, 552 (May 14, 2002); and