

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by August 26, 2014 to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John McKnight, Staff Accountant, Office of the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Internal Control and Initiatives Branch, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 33, 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Bldg. 104, St. Louis, MO 63120, Telephone: (314) 457-4299.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Form RD 1951-65, Customer Initiated Payments (CIP) Enrollment Form; Form RD 1951-66, FedWire Worksheet, and Form RD 3550-28, Authorization Agreement for Preauthorized Payments.

OMB Number: 0575-0184.

Expiration Date of Approval: July 31, 2014.

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

Abstract: Rural Development uses electronic methods (Customer Initiated Payments [CIP], FedWire, and Preauthorized Debits [PAD]) for receiving and processing loan payments and collections. These electronic collection methods provide a means for Rural Development borrowers to transmit loan payments from their financial institution (FI) accounts to Rural Development's Treasury Account and receive credit for their payments.

To administer these electronic loan collection methods, Rural Development collects the borrower's FI routing information (routing information includes the FI routing number and the borrower's account number). Rural Development uses Agency approved forms for collecting bank routing information for CIP, FedWire, and PAD.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .33 hours per response. Each Rural Development borrower who elects to participate in electronic loan payments will only prepare one response for the life of their loan unless they change financial institutions or accounts.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; and State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,723.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

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Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 3,259 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Jeanne Jacobs, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, at (202) 692-0040.

Comments are invited on: (1) The need for the information including whether the information has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the reporting burden estimate; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents.

Comments should be submitted to Jeanne Jacobs, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, Support Services Division, Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 0742, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-0742. All responses to this notice will be summarized, included in the request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval, and will become a matter of public record.

Dated: June 20, 2014.

David Lipsetz,

Acting Administrator, Rural Housing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Notice

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service (RUS); United States Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: RUS published a notice in the **Federal Register** on February 18, 1997, at 62 FR 7205 that the Uruguay Round Agreements Act, (108 Stat. 4954, Pub. L. 103-465, December 8, 1994), amended the "Buy American" provision, (7 U.S.C. 903 note) of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 U.S.C. 901 et seq.) (the "RE Act"). Under the amendment, the United States Trade Representative (USTR) is authorized to determine which countries ("eligible countries") are eligible to have their products receive the same treatment as manufactured and unmanufactured products produced in the United States. This notice revises the list of eligible countries for purchases made by telecommunications borrowers by adding new countries to the list to reflect the March 17, 2014, **Federal Register** Notice (FRN), "Agreement on Government Procurement: Effective Date of Amendments, and the April 18, 2014 FRN, "Agreement on Government Procurement: Effective Date of Amendments for Japan", published by the Office of the United States Trade

Representative. Please refer to the **Federal Register** notice published February 18, 1997, at 62 FR 7205, for additional information on RUS Buy American requirements.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For Electric Program matters: Jon Claffey, Director, Electric Staff Division, RUS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 1569, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250-1569. Telephone number (202) 720-1900, fax (202) 720-7491.

For Telecommunications Program matters: Norberto Esteves, Acting Director, Advanced Services Division, RUS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 1550, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250-1598. Telephone number (202) 720-8663, fax (202) 720-4099.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For Telecommunications Program borrowers, eligible countries are: Canada, Chinese Taipei, European Union, Hong Kong, Iceland, Israel, Japan, Liechtenstein, Mexico, Norway, and Singapore. For Electric Program borrowers, eligible countries are: Armenia, Aruba, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Chinese Taipei, Columbia, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Norway, Oman, Panama, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and United Kingdom.

For Electric and Telecommunications Programs borrowers: Eligibility of contracts with certain countries may be limited by contract amount or other restrictions. Contact RUS for additional information.

The USTR may at any time declare one or more additional countries to be "eligible countries" for either Electric or Telecommunications borrowers.

Each RUS borrower is responsible for assuring that its procurement complies with the requirements of the RE Act "Buy American" provision.

Dated: May 16, 2014.

John Padalino,

Administrator, Rural Utilities.

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