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### **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

## **Food and Nutrition Service**

## 7 CFR Part 246

[FNS-2006-0037]

RIN 0584-AD77

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC): Revisions in the WIC Food Packages; Approval of Information Collection Request

**AGENCY:** Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Interim rule; notice of approval of Information Collection Request (ICR).

SUMMARY: The interim rule entitled Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC): Revisions in the WIC Food Packages was published on December 6, 2007. The Office of Management and Budget cleared the associated information collection requirements (ICR) on December 7, 2007. This document announces approval of the ICR.

**DATES:** The ICR associated with the interim rule published in the **Federal Register** on December 6, 2007, at 72 FR 68966, was approved by OMB on December 7, 2007, under OMB Control Number 0584–0545.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Dated: January 29, 2008.

#### Gloria Gutierrez,

Acting Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

## Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

### 7 CFR Part 301

[Docket No. APHIS-2007-0114]

# Imported Fire Ant; Additions to the List of Quarantined Areas

**AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Affirmation of interim rule as final rule.

**SUMMARY:** We are adopting as a final rule, without change, an interim rule that amended the imported fire ant regulations by designating as quarantined areas all or portions of 2 counties in Arkansas, 3 in North Carolina, and 3 in Tennessee, by expanding the quarantined area in 1 county in Arkansas and 15 in Tennessee, and by designating the entire State of South Carolina as a quarantined area. The interim rule was necessary to prevent the artificial spread of imported fire ant to noninfested areas of the United States. As a result of the interim rule, the interstate movement of regulated articles from those quarantined areas is restricted.

**DATES:** Effective on February 5, 2008, we are adopting as a final rule the interim rule published at 72 FR 60533–60537 on October 25, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Charles L. Brown, Imported Fire Ant Quarantine Program Manager, Pest Detection and Management Programs, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 134, Riverdale, MD 20737–1236; (301) 734–4838.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Background**

The imported fire ant regulations (contained in 7 CFR 301.81 through 301.81–10 and referred to below as the regulations) quarantine infested States or infested areas within States and restrict the interstate movement of

regulated articles to prevent the artificial spread of the imported fire ant. The regulations are intended to prevent the imported fire ant from spreading throughout its ecological range within the country.

The regulations in § 301.81–3 provide that the Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service will list as a quarantined area each State, or each portion of a State, that is infested with the imported fire ant. The Administrator will designate less than an entire State as a quarantined area only under the following conditions: (1) The State has adopted and is enforcing restrictions on the intrastate movement of the regulated articles listed in § 301.81–2 that are equivalent to the interstate movement restrictions imposed by the regulations; and (2) designating less than the entire State will prevent the spread of the imported fire ant. The Administrator may include uninfested acreage within a quarantined area due to its proximity to an infestation or its inseparability from an infested locality for quarantine purposes. In § 301.81-3, paragraph (e) lists quarantined areas.

In an interim rule <sup>1</sup> effective and published in the **Federal Register** on October 25, 2007 (72 FR 60533–60537, Docket No. APHIS–2007–0114), we amended § 301.81–3(e) by:

- Adding all of Lonoke and Yell Counties, AR, to the quarantined area;
- Expanding the quarantined area in Faulkner County, AR, to include the entirety of the county;
- Adding portions of Iredell, Lincoln, and Rutherford Counties, NC, to the list of quarantined areas;
- Expanding the quarantined areas in Cherokee, Greenville, and Spartanburg Counties, SC, to include the entirety of each county, with the result that the entire State of South Carolina is now designated as a quarantined area;
- Adding portions of Crockett,
  Morgan, and Warren Counties, TN, to
  the list of quarantined areas;
- Expanding the quarantined areas in Anderson, Coffee, Cumberland, Haywood, Knox, and Williamson Counties, TN; and
- Expanding the quarantined areas in Bedford, Benton, Bledsoe, Blount, Carroll, Grundy, Hickman, Rutherford,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>To view the interim rule, go to http:// www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/ main?main=DocketDetail&d=APHIS-2007-0114.

and Van Buren Counties, TN, to include the entirety of each county.

Comments on the interim rule were required to be received on or before December 24, 2007. We did not receive any comments. Therefore, for the reasons given in the interim rule, we are adopting the interim rule as a final rule.

This action also affirms the information contained in the interim rule regarding Executive Order 12866 and the Regulatory Flexibility Act, Executive Orders 12372 and 12988, and the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Further, for this action, the Office of Management and Budget has waived its review under Executive Order 12866.

### List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 301

Agricultural commodities, Plant diseases and pests, Quarantine, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Transportation.

# PART 301—DOMESTIC QUARANTINE NOTICES

■ Accordingly, we are adopting as a final rule, without change, the interim rule that amended 7 CFR part 301 and that was published at 72 FR 60533—60537 on October 25, 2007.

Done in Washington, DC, this 30th day of January 2008.

## Kevin Shea,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Federal Aviation Administration**

### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2007-29061; Directorate Identifier 2006-NM-243-AD; Amendment 39-15362; AD 2008-03-12]

# RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-8-11, DC-8-12, DC-8-21, DC-8-31, DC-8-32, DC-8-33, DC-8-41, DC-8-42, and DC-8-43 Airplanes; Model DC-8F-54 and DC-8F-55 Airplanes; Model DC-8-50, -60, -60F, -70, and -70F Series Airplanes; Model DC-9-10, -20, -30, -40, and -50 Series Airplanes; Model DC-9-81 (MD-81), DC-9-82 (MD-82), DC-9-83 (MD-83), and DC-9-87 (MD-87) Airplanes; and Model MD-88 Airplanes

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is superseding an existing airworthiness directive (AD), which applies to certain McDonnell Douglas airplanes. The existing AD currently requires an initial general visual or dye penetrant inspection, repetitive dye penetrant inspections, and replacement, as necessary, of the rudder pedal bracket. The existing AD also currently requires, for certain airplanes, replacing the rudder pedal bracket assemblies with new, improved parts, which would terminate the repetitive inspections. For certain airplanes, this new AD requires initial inspection at a reduced threshold, removes an inspection option, and lengthens the repetitive inspection intervals. This AD results from reports of failures of the captain's rudder pedal brackets before reaching the initial inspection threshold identified in the existing AD. We are issuing this AD to prevent failure of the rudder pedal bracket assembly, which could result in the loss of rudder and braking control at either the captain's or first officer's position.

**DATES:** This AD becomes effective March 11, 2008.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the AD as of March 11, 2008.

On May 16, 2006 (71 FR 18201, April 11, 2006), the Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of certain other publications listed in the AD.

ADDRESSES: For service information identified in this AD, contact Boeing Commercial Airplanes, Long Beach Division, 3855 Lakewood Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90846, Attention: Data and Service Management, Dept. C1–L5A (D800–0024).

## **Examining the AD Docket**

You may examine the AD docket on the Internet at http:// www.regulations.gov; or in person at the Docket Management Facility between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this AD, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The address for the Docket Office (telephone 800-647-5527) is the Document Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590.

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Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712–4137; telephone (562) 627–5324; fax (562) 627–5210.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### Discussion

The FAA issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR part 39 to include an AD that supersedes AD 2006-07-25, amendment 39-14552 (71 FR 18201, April 11, 2006). The existing AD applies to certain McDonnell Douglas airplanes. That NPRM was published in the Federal Register on August 31, 2007 (72 FR 50284). That NPRM proposed to retain the requirements of AD 2006-07-25. That NPRM also, for certain airplanes, proposed to reduce certain initial inspection thresholds, remove an inspection option, and lengthen certain repetitive inspection intervals.

## Comments

We provided the public the opportunity to participate in the development of this AD. We have considered the comments that have been received on the NPRM.

## **Request To Clarify Repetitive Inspections**

Air Transport Association (ATA), on behalf of its member American Airlines, requests that we clarify paragraphs (h) and (l) of the NPRM. These paragraphs specify repetitive inspections to continue based on the part number of the replaced rudder pedal bracket assemblies in accordance with paragraph (g) or (k) of the NPRM. The commenters state that the referenced rudder pedal bracket assemblies should be clarified to indicate that repetitive inspections apply only to rudder pedal bracket assemblies that are of the same part number as the ones inspected.

We agree with the request for the reasons stated. The intent of the replacement in paragraphs (h) and (l) of the NPRM is to replace the rudder pedal bracket assemblies with a part that has the same part number as the part inspected. Therefore, we have revised paragraph (h) and (l) of the AD to replace the words "new part" with "same part number as the one inspected."

## Request To Clarify Inspection Criteria in Paragraph (j) of the NPRM

ATA, on behalf of its member ASTAR Air Cargo, requests that we clarify the inspection criteria in paragraph (j) of the NPRM. The commenters note that paragraph (j) of the NPRM specifies a special detailed inspection in accordance with McDonnell Douglas