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A notice, published in the **Federal Register** on March 17, 2022 (87 FR 15194), requested comments and information from the public to assist AMS in preparing the report required by the Executive Order and advancing policy steps on the effect of retail concentration and retailers’ practices on competition in the food industries. This notice established a 60-day comment period, ending May 16, 2022. As the comment period overlapped a critical time for agricultural producers to plant crops and for academics to conclude semesters, AMS is extending the public comment period for an additional 30 days to encourage additional public comment.

Melissa Bailey,

Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

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Access to Fertilizer: Competition and Supply Chain Concerns

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is providing an additional 30 days for comments and information from the public to assist AMS in preparing the report required by the Executive Order titled “Promoting Competition in the American Economy,” which creates a White House Competition Council and directs Federal agency actions to enhance fairness and competition across America’s economy. Among other things, the Executive Order directs the Council and member agencies to “identify and advance any additional administrative actions necessary” to promote competition on an ongoing basis. This notice requests

comments and information from the public to assist the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) in identifying relevant difficulties, including competition concerns, and potential policy solutions for the fertilizer market.

DATES: The comment period for the notice originally published on March 17, 2022, at 87 FR 15191, is extended. Comments must be submitted on or before June 15, 2022.

ADDRESSES: All written comments in response to this notice should be posted online at <https://www.regulations.gov>. Comments received will be posted without change, including any personal information provided. All comments should reference the docket number AMS–AMS–22–0027, the date of submission, and the page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. Comments may also be sent to Jaina Nian, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, Room 2055–S, STOP 0201, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250–0201. Comments will be made available for public inspection at the above address during regular business hours or via the at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jaina Nian, Agricultural Marketing Service, at (202) 378–2541; or by email at jaina.nian@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 9, 2021, President Biden issued an Executive Order titled “Promoting Competition in the American Economy,” which creates a White House Competition Council and directs Federal agency actions to enhance fairness and competition across America’s economy. Among other things, the Executive Order directs the Council and member agencies to “identify and advance any additional administrative actions necessary” to promote competition on an ongoing basis. The Secretary of Agriculture takes note of wide-ranging concern from agricultural producers regarding access to and pricing of fertilizer. This notice requests comments and information from the public to assist the AMS in identifying relevant difficulties, including competition concerns, and potential policy solutions for the fertilizer market.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Comments are requested regarding whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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 regarding this information collection received by June 15, 2022 will be considered. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Food Safety and Inspection Service

Title: Imported Undenatured Inedible Product and Samples for Laboratory Examination, Research, Evaluation Testing or Trade Show Exhibition.

OMB Control Number: 0583–0161.

Summary of Collection: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) has been delegated the authority to exercise the functions of the Secretary as provided in the Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*), and the Egg Products Inspection Act (EPIA) (21 U.S.C. 1031 *et seq.*). These statutes mandate that FSIS protect the public by ensuring that meat and egg products are safe, wholesome, unadulterated, and properly labeled and packaged. FSIS uses the forms under this collection to identify and keep track of product not subject to FSIS import reinspection requirements. Foreign governments are to petition FSIS for approval to import undenatured inedible egg products into the United States.

Need and Use of the Information: FSIS will collect the information from firms using form FSIS 9540–4, “Permit Holder—Importation of Undenatured Inedible Products” for the undenatured inedible product that they are importing into the United States and form FSIS 9540–5, “Notification of Intent to Import Meat, Poultry, or Egg Products—Samples for Laboratory Examination, Research, Evaluative Testing or Trade Show Exhibition.” FSIS will use the information on the forms to keep track of the movement of imported undenatured inedible meat and egg products. If the information is not collected it would reduce the effectiveness of the meat and poultry products inspection program.

Description of Respondents: Business or other-for profit.

Number of Respondents: 211.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: One time.

Total Burden Hours: 9.489.

Dated: May 11, 2022.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Rural Business-Cooperative Service**

[Docket No. RBS–22–Business–0012]

Notice of Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice, request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Rural Business-Cooperative Service’s intention to request a revision of a currently approved information collection package for the Biorefinery, Renewable Chemical, and Biobased Product Manufacturing Assistance Program.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by July 15, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Pamela Bennett, Regulations Management Division, Innovation Center, U.S. Department of Agriculture. Email: pamela.bennett@usda.gov. Telephone: (202) 720–9639.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget’s (OMB) regulation (5 CFR part 1320) implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13) requires that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). This notice identifies an information collection that the Rural Business-Cooperative Service is submitting to OMB for approval. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Rural Business-Cooperative Service, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Rural Business-Cooperative Service’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including 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 may be sent by the Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and, in the “Search” box, type in the Docket No. RBS–22–Business–0012. A link to the Notice will appear. You may submit a comment here by selecting the “Comment” button or you can access the “Docket” tab, select the “Notice,” and go to the “Browse & Comment on Documents” Tab. Here you may view comments that have been submitted as well as submit a comment. To submit a comment, select the “Comment” button,

complete the required information, and select the “Submit Comment” button at the bottom. Information on using [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov), including instructions for accessing documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket after the close of the comment period, is available through the site’s “FAQ” link at the bottom.

Title: Biorefinery, Renewable Chemical, and Biobased Product Manufacturing Assistance Program (Section 9003).

OMB Control Number: 0570–0065.

Expiration Date of Approval: November 30, 2022.

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

Abstract: The Rural Business-Cooperative Service, an Agency within the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, administers the Section 9003 program. The purpose of this information collection is to obtain information necessary to evaluate loan applications to determine the eligibility of the applicant and the project for the program and to qualitatively assess the project’s technical and financial merit to determine which projects should be funded.

Estimate of Burden: The following annual estimates are based on an average volume of activity which includes: Nine Phase 1 applications, eight Phase 2 applications, and one new loan guarantee. Phase 1 applications are evaluated by the Agency to determine whether the borrower is eligible, the proposed loan is for an eligible purpose, there is reasonable assurance of repayment ability, there is sufficient collateral and equity, and the proposed loan complies with all applicable statutes and regulations. Phase 2 applications are required for Phase I applicants who score favorable and are invited to submit a Phase 2 application. The Agency anticipates the number of respondents to fluctuate based on funding levels.

Respondents: Respondents for this data are lending institutions and for-profit businesses but also include individuals and corporations. The annual estimates below are for both subparts associated with this rule.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 9.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 36.2.

Estimated Number of Responses: 326.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 7,765 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Pamela Bennett, Rural Development Innovation Center, Regulations Management Division, at