the Advisory Committee's recommendation using the following procedures:

• Internet: http://www.regulations.gov.

 Mail: Comments may be submitted by mail to: Darryl Earnest, Deputy Administrator, Cotton & Tobacco Programs, AMS, USDA, 3275 Appling Road, Room 11, Memphis, TN 38133. Comments should be submitted in triplicate. All comments should reference the docket number and the date and the page of this issue of the Federal Register. All comments will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at Cotton & Tobacco Program, AMS, USDA, 3275 Appling Road, Memphis, TN 38133. A copy of this notice may be found at: www.ams.usda.gov/cotton/ rulemaking.htm.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James Knowlton, Designated Federal Official, Cotton & Tobacco Programs, AMS, USDA, 3275 Appling Road, Room 5, Memphis, TN 38133. Telephone (901) 384–3030, facsimile (901) 384–3032, or email Telephone (901) 384–3030, or email: James.Knowlton@ams.usda.gov.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The purpose of the Universal Cotton Standards Advisory Committee is to consider any necessary changes to the Universal Cotton Standards and to review and approve freshly prepared sets of the Universal Cotton Grade Standards for conformity with the existing standards.

At the Universal Cotton Standards Conference on June 19–21, 2013, the Advisory Committee recommended revising the Universal Cotton Standards Agreement in regards to its recommendations of adopting a Universal HVI Cotton Trash Standard and changing the frequency of Universal Cotton Standards Conferences from once every three years to once every four years.

The Universal Cotton Standards Agreement is an Agreement between USDA, the U.S. cotton industry and overseas cotton associations of merchants and textile manufacturers that provides for the trading of U.S. cotton on the official standards of the U.S. for Upland cotton. Adoption of the Universal HVI Cotton Trash Standard will ensure that the USDA's cotton trash measurement serves as the internationally accepted universal language for cotton trash measurements. Adoption of the frequency of Universal Cotton Standards Conferences to be held once every four years will provide improved cost efficiency while continuing to provide the necessary

framework for future considerations to the Universal Cotton Standards.

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 51–65. Dated: January 10, 2014.

#### Rex A. Barnes,

Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

#### **Food and Nutrition Service**

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Form FNS–245, Negative QC Review Schedule

**AGENCY:** Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on the proposed collection.

Form FNS–245, is currently used in the Quality Control process for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. This is a revision of a currently approved collection in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and concerns the Negative QC Review Schedule.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received on or before March 17, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** 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 has 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 may be sent to: Patrick Lucrezio, Chief, Quality Control Branch, Program Accountability and Administration Division, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 822, Alexandria, VA 22302. You may also download an electronic version of this notice at http://

www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/rules/regulations/default.htm and comment via email at SNAPHQ-Web@fns.usda.gov or use the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal. Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically.

All written comments will be open for public inspection at the FNS office located at 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 822, Alexandria, VA 22302, during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday). All responses to this notice will be included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information, copies or to view a draft version of the information collection form and instructions should be directed to SNAP QC at SNAPHQ-QCIC@fns.usda.gov.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Negative Quality Control Review Schedule.

OMB Number: 0584–0034.
Form Number: FNS–245.
Expiration Date: December 31, 2016.
Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Form FNS-245, Negative Case Action Review Schedule:

Abstract: Form FNS-245, Negative Case Action Review Schedule, is designed to collect quality control (QC) data and serve as the data entry form for Negative case action OC reviews in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). New QC procedures for Negative cases (now referred to as Case and Procedural cases) went into effect for the 2012 QC review year. State agencies complete form FNS-245 for each Negative Case in their QC sample. SNAP has determined the form associated with the reporting of these cases needs to be updated to reflect the new name and reorganized in order to not only streamline the data elements being reported, but to also add nine data elements to more effectively and efficiently record what is now being reviewed. By streamlining the form's elements to make it more efficient, the additional elements are not expected to increase the collection's burden on State Agencies using the form. We are also requesting to rename this information collection from "Negative QC Review Schedule" to "Case and Procedural Quality Control Review Schedule".

The reporting and recordkeeping burden associated with the completion of form FNS–245, has decreased from approximately 177,351 hours to 121,784.1602 hours. The decrease in total burden is largely a result of the

decrease in total SNAP Negative case selection from 59,831 cases in FY2010 to 41,085 Case and Procedural cases in FY 2012.

Affected Public: State, Local & Tribal Governments.

*Number of Respondents:* 53 State Agencies.

Number of Responses per Respondent: 775.1887 Records. Total Annual Responses: 41,085. Reporting Time per Response: 2.9406 Hours.

Estimated Annual Reporting Burden: 120,814.5542 Hours.

Number of Record Keepers: 53. Number of Records per Record Keeper: 775.1887 Records. Estimated Number of Records to Keep: 41,085 Records.

Recordkeeping Time per Response: .0236 Hours.

Total Estimated Recordkeeping: 969.6060 Hours.

Annual Recordkeeping and Reporting Burden: 121,784.1602 Hours.

Affected public	Instrument	Estimated number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total annual responses	Hours per response	Annual burden hours
Reporting Burden						
State agencies	FNS-245, Case and Procedural QC Review Schedule.	53.00	775.1887	41,085	2.9406	120,814.5542
Reporting Totals		53.00		41,085		120,814.5542
Recordkeeping Burden						
State agencies	Maintain Records	53.00	775.1887	41,085	0.0236	969.6060
Total Recordkeeping and Reporting Burden.		53.00		82,170	2.9642	121,784.1602

Dated: January 9, 2014.

#### Audrey Rowe,

Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service. [FR Doc. 2014–00762 Filed 1–15–14; 8:45 am]

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# **COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS**

# **Sunshine Act Notice**

**AGENCY:** United States Commission on Civil Rights.

**ACTION:** Notice of business meeting.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, January 24, 2014; 9:30 a.m. EST.

**PLACE:** 1331 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Suite 1150, Washington, DC 20425.

# **Meeting Agenda**

- I. Approval of Agenda II. Program Planning
- Consideration of Concept Paper for 2014 Briefing
- III. Management and Operations
  - Staff Director's Report
- IV. State Advisory Committee (SAC) Appointments
- Mississippi
- V. Adjourn Meeting

# CONTACT PERSON FOR FURTHER

INFORMATION: Lenore Ostrowsky, Acting Chief, Public Affairs Unit (202) 376–8591.

Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact Pamela Dunston at (202) 376–8105 or at signlanguage@usccr.gov

at least seven business days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

Dated: January 13, 2014.

# Marlene Sallo,

 $Staff\, Director.$ 

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Title: South Pacific Tuna Act. OMB Control Number: 0648–0218. Form Number(s): NA.

Type of Request: Regular submission (extension of a current information collection).

Number of Respondents: 41.

Average Hours per Response:
Expressions of interest in the fishery:
initial, 2 hours; renewal, 15 minutes;
license applications, 1 hour; vessel
monitoring system (VMS) registration,
45 minutes; catch report forms, 1 hour;
unloading logsheets, 30 minutes.

Burden Hours: 402.

Needs and Uses: This request is for extension of a current information collection.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) collects vessel license, vessel registration, catch, and unloading information from operators of United States (U.S.) purse seine vessels fishing within a large region of the western and central Pacific Ocean, which is governed by the Treaty on Fisheries between the Governments of Certain Pacific Island States and the Government of the United States of America. The Treaty, along with its annexes, schedules and implementing agreements, was signed in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea, in 1987. This collection of information is required to meet U.S. obligations under the Treaty.

The Treaty authorizes United States (U.S.) tuna vessels to fish within fishing zones of a large region of the Pacific Ocean. The South Pacific Tuna Act of 1988 (16 U.S.C. 973-973r) and U.S. implementing regulations (50 CFR Part 300, Subpart D) authorize the collection of information from participants in the Treaty fishery. Vessel operators who wish to participate in the Treaty Fishery must submit annual vessel license and registration (including registration of VMS) units) applications and periodic written reports of catch and unloading of fish from licensed vessels. They are also required to ensure the continued operation of VMS units on board licensed vessels, which is expected to require periodic maintenance of the