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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Federal Invention Available for Licensing and Intent To Grant Exclusive License

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability and intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Plant Variety Protection Certificate Number 200300172, for the forage soybean variety designated "Tara," is available for licensing and that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant Southern States Cooperative, Inc. of Richmond, Virginia an exclusive license to this variety.

DATES: Comments must be received within ninety (90) calendar days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Room 4-1174, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-5131.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301-504-5989.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Government's intellectual property rights to this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as Southern States Cooperative, Inc. has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within ninety (90) days from the date of this published Notice, the Agricultural Research Service

receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Michael D. Ruff,

Assistant Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Request for Revision and Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection; Request for Aerial Photography

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the Farm Service Agency (FSA) to request a revision and extension of an information collection currently used in support of the FSA Aerial Photography Program. The FSA Aerial Photography Field Office (APFO) uses the information from this form to collect the customer and photography information needed to produce and ship the various products ordered.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before July 6, 2004, to be assured consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Kenneth Koehler, Chief, USDA, Farm Service Agency, APFO Management Operations Branch, 2222 West 2300 South Salt Lake City, Utah 84119-2020 (801) 975-3500; e-mail kenneth.koehler@apfo.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Request for Aerial Photography.

OMB Control Number: 0560-0176.

Expiration Date: March 31, 2005.

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

Abstract: The information collected under OMB Control Number 0560-0176, as identified above, is needed to enable the Department of Agriculture to effectively administrate the Aerial Photography Program. APFO has the authority to coordinate aerial photography and remote sensing

programs and the aerial photography flying contract programs. The film secured by FSA is public domain and reproductions are available at cost to any customer with a need. All receipts from the sale of aerial photography products and services are retained by FSA. The FSA-441, Request for Aerial Imagery, is the form FSA supplies to its customers for placing an order for aerial photography products and services.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to average 3.3 hours per response.

Respondents: Farmers, ranchers and other USDA customers who wish to purchase photography products and services.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 12,000.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 8,000 hours.

Proposed topics for comment include: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have 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 from those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments should be sent to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503, and to Kenneth Koehler at the address listed above.

All comments will become a matter of public record.

Signed in Washington, DC, on April 29, 2004.

James R. Little,

Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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