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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

February 13, 2017.

The Department of Agriculture will submit the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 on or after the date of publication of this notice. Comments are requested regarding (1) 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; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) 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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503. Commenters are encouraged to submit their comments to OMB via email to: OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov or fax (202) 395–5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250–7602.

Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received by March 20, 2017. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720–8681.

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.

Agricultural Marketing Service

Title: Processed Egg and Egg Products Verification Program.

OMB Control Number: 0581–New.

Summary of Collection: The Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (AMA) (7 U.S.C. 1621–1627), authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to provide consumers with voluntary Federal certification services that facilitate the marketing of agricultural commodities. The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) provides these services under the authority of 7 CFR part 62—Livestock, Meat, and Other Agricultural Commodities (Quality System Verification Program (QSVP)). QSVP is a voluntary audit-based, user-fee programs collection that allows applicants to have program documentation and program processes assessed by AMS auditors. QSVP programs are available to respondents who request these services with fees based on an approved hourly rate established under 7 CFR part 62. The Processed Egg and Egg Products Export Verification (PEEPEV) Program is a voluntary export verification program that aids domestic food manufacturers in exporting processed food products containing eggs to other countries. As part of this service AMS will issue an official certificate for product from facilities verified by AMS as meeting the requirements of the Program. To facilitate this process, AMS will use a new form LPS–234, USDA Processed Egg and Egg Products Export Certificate.

Need and Use of the Information: The information is collected from domestic food manufacturers who request to participate in the PEEPEV program to export processed food products containing egg to other countries. The information will be used by authorized representatives of the USDA (AMS, Livestock, Poultry, and Seed Program's QAD national and field staff) to complete the form LPS–234. The information collection requirements in this request are essential to carry out the intent of the AMA, to provide

respondents the type of service they request and to administer the program.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit; Farms.

Number of Respondents: 43.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 129.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection

Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Store Applications, Forms FNS–252, FNS–252–E, FNS–252–FE, FNS–252–R, FNS–252–2 and FNS–252–C

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. This is a revision of a currently approved collection in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and concerns Retail Store Applications (Forms FNS–252; FNS–252–E; FNS–252–FE; FNS–252–R; FNS–252–2; and FNS–252–C).

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before April 17, 2017.

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 shall 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 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: Shelly Pierce, Chief, Retailer Administration Branch, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Retailer Policy and Management Division, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 438, Alexandria, VA 22302. Comments may be faxed to the attention of Ms. Pierce at (703) 305-1863 or via email to: RPMDHQ-WEB@fns.usda.gov. Comments will also be accepted through the Federal eRulemaking 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 438, Alexandria, Virginia 22302, during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday).

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will be a matter of public record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to Shelly Pierce at RPMDHQ-WEB@fns.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)—Store Applications.

Form Number: FNS-252; 252-E; 252-FE; 252-R; 252-2; and 252-C.

OMB Number: 0584-0008.

Expiration Date: August 31, 2017.

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

Abstract: Section 9(a) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, as amended, (the Act) (7 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*) requires that FNS determine the eligibility of retail food stores and certain food service organizations to accept SNAP benefits and to monitor them for compliance and continued eligibility and to ensure Program integrity.

FNS is also responsible for requiring updates to application information and reviewing retail food store applications at least once every five years to ensure that each firm is under the same ownership and continues to meet eligibility requirements. The Act specifies that only those applicants whose participation will “effectuate the purposes of the program” should be authorized.

There are six forms associated with this approved Office of Management

and Budget (OMB) information collection number 0584-0008—the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Application for Stores, Forms FNS-252 (English and Spanish) and FNS-252-E (paper and online version respectively); Farmer’s Market Application, Form FNS-252-FE; Meal Service Application, Form FNS-252-2; Reauthorization Application, Form FNS-252-R; and the Corporation Supplemental Application, Form FNS-252-C used for individual (chain) stores under a corporation. For new authorizations, the majority of applicants use form FNS-252 or FNS-252-E (paper or online, respectively). FNS is responsible for reviewing retail food store applications at least once every five years to ensure that each firm is under the same ownership and continues to meet eligibility guidelines. In order to accomplish this regulatory requirement, form FNS-252-R is used for reauthorization. In addition to these forms, during authorization or reauthorization, FNS may conduct an on-site store visit of the firm. The store visit of the firm helps FNS confirm that the information provided on the application is correct. An FNS representative or store visit contractor obtains permission to fill in the store visit checklist, photograph the store and asks the store owner or manager about the continued ownership of the store.

Applicants using form FNS-252-E or FNS-252-FE must also first self-register for a Level 1 access account through the USDA eAuthentication system in order to start an online application. USDA eAuthentication facilitates the electronic authentication of an individual.

The Agricultural Act of 2014 (2014 Farm Bill) amended the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (the Act) to increase the requirement that certain SNAP authorized food stores have available on a continual basis at least three varieties of items in each of four staple food categories, to a mandatory minimum of seven varieties. The 2014 Farm Bill also amended the Act to increase, for certain SNAP authorized retail food stores, the minimum number of categories which perishable foods are required from two to three. Further, using existing authority in the Act and feedback from a Request for Information that was published in the **Federal Register** on August 20, 2013, FNS proposed some additional changes. Among other items, these proposed changes would address depth of stock, amend the definition of “staple foods”, and amend the definition of “retail food

store” to clarify when a retailer is a restaurant rather than a retail food store. These changes were made in the final rule titled “Enhancing Retailer in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)” which was published in the **Federal Register** on December 15, 2016 (81 FR 90675).

FNS seeks to renew the current information collection, and where appropriate, revise the information collection of all SNAP application forms (paper and electronic), in order to clarify and/or reword questions, instructions, and examples as a result of these regulatory changes required by the Act and amended by the Farm Bill. Such changes would include (1) revision to the Food Inventory section; (2) additional inventory stock examples of perishables and varieties of staple food items; (3) additional questions that ask whether the store has a Web site, whether optical scanners are used at the store, the name and address of the financial institution where SNAP deposits will be made, and whether the store offers any incentives or discounts to SNAP recipients; and (4) update assistance materials such as the General and Specific Instruction sections and on-line help screens.

FNS used FY 2016 data in our calculation of burden estimates associated with this information collection as this was the most complete data available to us at this time. Table A below clarifies the burden of this information collection.

The total burden hours associated with this information collection increased by approximately 2.33 minutes. The response time per respondent varies from 1 minute to 14.11 minutes. We estimate the new burden, on average, to be 6.34 minutes per respondent, an increase from 6.11 minutes. There is no recordkeeping burden associated with these forms.

Affected Public: Business for Profit; Retail food stores; Farmers’ Markets.

Estimated Number of Respondents: The total estimated number of respondents is 127,597 annually.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: Respondents complete either 1 application form at initial authorization or 1 reauthorization application, as appropriate, for a total of 1 response each.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 127,597.

Estimated Time per Response: 6.34 minutes (0.109548). The estimated time response varies from 1 minute to 14.11 minutes depending on respondent group, as shown in the table below:

TABLE A—REPORTING ESTIMATE OF HOUR BURDEN: SUMMARY OF BURDEN—#0584–0008

Affected public	(a) Description of collection activity	(b) Form number	(c) Number respondents	(d) Number responses per respondent	(e) Total annual responses (c × d)	(f) Hours per response	(g) Total burden (e × f)
Reporting							
Retailers	Applications Received	252	1,240	1	1,240	0.23638	293
	Applications Received	252–E	31,919	1	31,919	0.16861	5,382
	E-Authentication	252–E and FNS– 252–FE.	33,399	1	33,399	0.13360	4,462
	Applications Received	252–FE	1,480	1	1,480	0.21861	324
	Applications Received	252–2	372	1	372	0.19416	72
	Applications Received	252–C	4,594	1	4,594	0.08350	384
	Store Visits	252–R	40,522	1	40,522	0.01670	677
	Reauthorization	252–R	14,071	1	14,071	0.16944	2,384
Total Reporting Burden			127,597	1	127,597	13,978	
			Number of respondents	Estimate annual responses per respondent	Estimate total annual responses	Estimate hours per response	Estimate total annual burden for this ICR
Summary of Burden for This Collection			127,597	1	127,597	0.1029542	13,978

Dated: February 8, 2017.

Jessica Shahin,

Acting Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the South Carolina Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the South Carolina (State) Advisory Committee will hold a meeting on Thursday, March 2, 2017, for the purpose of discussing potential projects. **DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday, March 2, 2017 12:00 p.m. EST.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be by teleconference. Toll-free call-in number: 888–891–7634, conference ID: 4442689.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Hinton, DFO, at jhinton@usccr.gov or (404) 562–7006.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the public can listen to the discussion. This meeting is available to the public through the following toll-free call-in number: 888–891–7634, conference ID: 4442689. Any interested

member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. Callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free telephone number. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–977–8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and conference ID number.

Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office by February 24, 2017. Written comments may be mailed to the Southern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 61 Forsyth Street, Suite 16T126, Atlanta, GA 30303. They may also be faxed to the Commission at (404) 562–7005, or emailed to Regional Director, Jeffrey Hinton at jhinton@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Southern Regional Office at (404) 562–7000.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Southern Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available via www.facadatabase.gov under the Commission on Civil Rights, South Carolina Advisory Committee link <http://facadatabase.gov/committee/meetings.aspx?cid=273>. Persons interested in the work of this Committee

are directed to the Commission's Web site, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Southern Regional Office at the above email or street address.

Agenda:

Welcome and Call to Order

Walter Caudle, South Carolina SAC
Chairman

Jeff Hinton, Regional Director
Regional Update—Jeff Hinton

New Business: Discussion/Open
Comment—Best-practices to Reduce
Violent Police-Civilian

Interactions—Walter Caudle, S.
Carolina SAC Chairman

Public Participation
Adjournment

Dated: February 10, 2017.

David Mussatt,

Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Colorado Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of meetings.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that a planning meeting of the Colorado Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 2:30 p.m. (MST) on Thursday, March 9, 2017, via