

regulation at 15 CFR 2011 subpart B to issue specialty sugar certificates, letters to importers signed by the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) Certifying Authority, and ensuring that U.S. importers comply with the program's requirements. The regulation sets forth the terms and conditions under which the Certifying Authority in FAS issues certificates to importers allowing them to enter specialty sugars under the tariff-rate quota (TRQ) for refined sugar.

**Need and Use of the Information:** The collected information will be used to: (1) Determine whether applicants for the program meet the regulation's eligibility criteria; (2) ensure that sugar to be imported is specialty sugar and meets the requirements of the regulation; (3) audit participants' compliance with the regulation; and (4) prevent entry of world-priced program sugar from entering the domestic commercial market instead of domestic specialty sugar market. The Certifying Authority needs the information to manage, plan, evaluate, and account for program activities.

**Description of Respondents:** Business or other for-profit.

**Number of Respondents:** 41.

**Frequency of Responses:** Reporting: Annually.

**Total Burden Hours:** 45.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

November 29, 2011.

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 regarding (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), *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 within 30 days of this notification.

Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8958.

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.

### Office of Procurement and Property Management

**Title:** Guidelines for Designating Biobased Products for Federal Procurement.

**OMB Control Number:** 0503-0011.

**Summary of Collection:** Section 9002 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act (FSRIA) of 2002, as amended by the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act (FCEA) of 2008, provides for a preferred procurement program under which Federal agencies are required to purchase biobased products, with certain exceptions. Items (which are generic groupings of products) are designated by rulemaking for preferred procurement. To qualify items for procurement under this program, the statute requires that the Secretary of Agriculture consider information on the availability of items, the economic and technological feasibility of using such items and the life cycle costs of using such items. In addition, the Secretary is required to provide information on designated items to Federal agencies about the availability, relative price, performance, and environmental and public health benefits of such items and where appropriate shall recommend the level of biobased material to be contained in the procured product.

**Need and Use of the Information:** The Office of Procurement and Property Management (OPPM) and the Center for Industrial Research and Service at Iowa State University will interact with manufacturers and vendors to gather such information and material for testing, as may be required for

designation of items for preferred procurement by Federal agencies. The information collected will be gathered using a variety of methods, including face to face visits with a manufacturer or vendor, submission by manufacturers and vendors of information electronically to OPPM, and survey instruments filled out by manufacturers and vendors and submitted to OPPM.

**Description of Respondents:** Business or other for-profit.

**Number of Respondents:** 75.

**Frequency of Responses:** Reporting: Other (once).

**Total Burden Hours:** 7,800.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Research Service

### Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to DICKEY-john Corporation of Auburn, Illinois, an exclusive license to U.S. Patent No. 6,691,563, "Universal Dielectric Calibration Method and Apparatus for Moisture Content Determination in Particulate and Granular Materials," issued on February 17, 2004 and to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 12/782,079, "Microwave Sensor and Algorithm for Moisture and Density Determination," filed on May 18, 2010.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before January 3, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Rm. 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 patent rights in these inventions 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 DICKEY-john Corporation of Auburn, Illinois has submitted a complete and sufficient application for