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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

June 12, 2003.

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, Pub. L. 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), Washington, DC 20503 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) 720-6746.

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.

### Foreign Agricultural Service

*Title:* McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition Program.

*OMB Control Number:* 0551-NEW.

*Summary of Collection:* The Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 requires reporting on food aid programs, including the new McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition program (Food for Education). This program will provide agricultural commodities and financial and technical assistance, to carry out educational programs for food and nutrition in foreign countries. Although the number of report requirements vary in accordance with circumstances, reports will be received from the Cooperating Sponsor every six months during the active life of the agreements. Reporting will be required until all commodities have been distributed, cash outlays expended, and/or the funds generated from the sales of the donated commodities have been disbursed. Information is necessary to satisfy statutory requirements and to assure that public resources are properly used.

*Need and Use of the Information:* The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) will collect from cooperating sponsors a Plan of Operation (*i.e.*, program proposal) and budget, which will be used to determine eligibility for participation. FAS will also collect information that describes the organizational capacity to develop, implement, monitor, and report on school feeding and child nutrition programs. Without the information, it would difficult for FAS to determine the accountability and compliance of the Cooperating Sponsors.

*Description of Respondents:* Not-for-profit institutions; Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 156.

*Frequency of Responses:* Recordkeeping; Reporting: Quarterly; Semi-annually.

*Total Burden Hours:* 11,607.

### Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

*Title:* Horse Protection Regulations (9 CFR part 11).

*OMB Control Number:* 0579-0056.

*Summary of Collection:* 9 CFR part 11, Regulations, implement the Horse

Protection Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91-540), as amended July 13, 1976 (Pub. L. 94-360), and are authorized under Section 9 of the Act. The Horse Protection Legislation was enacted to prevent showing, exhibiting, selling, or auctioning of "sore" horses, and certain transportation of sore horses in connection therewith at horse shows, horse exhibitions, horse sales, and horse auctions. A sore horse is a horse that has received pain-provoking practices that cause the horse to have an accentuated, high stepping gait. Sored horses cannot be entered in an event by any person, including trainers, riders, or owners. Management of shows, sales, exhibitions, or auctions must identify sored horses to prevent their participation under the act.

*Need and Use of the Information:* APHIS will collect information at specified intervals from Horse Industry Organizations (HIO) and show managements. HIOs must maintain an acceptable Designated Qualified Person program and recordkeeping system as outlined in the regulations. Information provided by the HIOs through designated qualified persons allows APHIS to monitor whether enforcement of the Horse Protection Act, its regulations, and certifying programs are effective.

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

*Number of Respondents:* 1,514.

*Frequency of Responses:* Recordkeeping; Reporting: Quarterly; Monthly; Annually.

*Total Burden Hours:* 2,357.

### Food and Nutrition Service

*Title:* Negative Quality Control Review Schedule; Status of Sample Selection and Completion.

*OMB Control Number:* 0584-0034.

*Summary of Collection:* The legislative basis for the operation of the quality control system is provided by section 16 of the Food Stamp Act of 1977. State agencies are required to perform Quality Control (QC) reviews for the Food Stamp Program (FSP). As part of the Performance Reporting System, each State agency is required to provide a systemic means of determining the accuracy of household eligibility and measuring the extent to which households receive the food stamp allotment to which they are entitled. Section 275.21(a) requires State agencies to submit reports to enable the