

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Rural Utility Service****Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

January 21, 2016.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. 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; (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.

Comments regarding this information collection received by February 26, 2016 will be considered. Written comments 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 20502. 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. 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.

Rural Utilities Service

Title: 7 CFR 1717 Subpart Y, Settlement of Debt Owed by Electric Borrowers.

OMB Control Number: 0572–0116.

Summary of Collection: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) makes mortgage

loans and loan guarantees to electric systems to provide and improve electric service in rural areas pursuant to the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 U.S.C. 901 et. seq.) (RE Act). This information collection requirement stems from passage of Public Law 104–127, which amended section 331(b) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1921 et seq.) to extend to the RUS' loans and loan guarantees the Secretary authority to compromise, adjust, reduce, or charge-off debts or claims owed to the government (collectively, debt settlement) with respect to loans made or guaranteed by RUS. Only those electric borrowers that are unable to fully repay their debts to the government and who apply to RUS for relief will be affected by this collection of information. The information collected will be similar to that which any prudent lender would need to determine whether debt settlement is required and the amount of relief that is needed.

Need and Use of the Information: RUS will collect information to determine the need for debt settlement; the amount of debt the borrower can repay; the future scheduling of debt repayment; and, the range of opportunities for enhancing the amount of debt that can be recovered.

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

Number of Respondents: 1.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 1,000.

Rural Utilities Service

Title: 7 CFR part 1721, Extensions of Payments of Principal and Interest.

OMB Control Number: 0572–0123.

Summary of Collection: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) electric program provides loans and loan guarantees to borrowers at interest rates and on terms that are more favorable than those generally available from the private sector. Procedures and conditions which borrowers may request extensions of the payment of principal and interest are authorized, as amended, in section 12 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, and section 236 of the "Disaster Relief Act of 1970 (Public Law 91–606), as amended by the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (Public Law 103–354). As a result of obtaining federal financing, RUS borrowers receive economic benefits that exceed any direct economic costs associated with complying with (RUS) regulations and requirements.

Need and Use of the Information: The collection of information occurs only when the borrower requests an extension of principal and interest. Eligible purposes include financial hardship, energy resource conservation loans, renewable energy project, and contributions-in-aid of construction. These procedures are codified at 7 CFR part 1721, subpart B. The collections are made to provide needed benefits to borrowers while also maintaining the integrity of RUS loans and their repayment of taxpayer's monies.

Description of Respondents: Not for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 29.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 296.

Rural Utilities Service

Title: 7 CFR part 1738, Rural Broadband Loan and Loan Guarantee.

OMB Control Number: 0572–0130.

Summary of Collection: Title VI, Rural Broadband Access, of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (RE Act), provides loans and loan guarantees to fund the cost of construction, improvement, or acquisition of facilities and equipment for the provision of broadband service in eligible rural communities in State and territories of the United States. The regulation prescribes the types of loans available, facilities financed and eligible applicants, as well as minimum credit support requirements considered for a loan. In addition, Title VI of the RE Act requires that Rural Utilities Service (RUS) make or guarantee a loan only if there is reasonable assurance that the loan, together with all outstanding loans and obligations of the borrower, will be repaid in full within the time agreed.

Need and Use of the Information: The information in the program application guide—RUS Bulletin 1738–1 provides applicants with needed information, definitions and details for completing and submitting an application. Information will be used to determine an applicant's eligibility, availability of broadband service for priority consideration, technical and economic feasibility of the proposed project (that the funds requested are adequate to complete the project taking into consideration any additional funding provided by the applicant and that the loan can be repaid within the allowable time frame), and the applicant complies with statutory, regulatory and administrative eligibility requirements for loan assistance.

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

Number of Respondents: 5.
Frequency of Responses: Reporting:
 On occasion.
Total Burden Hours: 2,095.

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 Clearance Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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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: International Trade Administration.

Title: Foreign-Trade Zone Applications.

OMB Control Number: 0625-0139.

Form Number(s): N/A.

Type of Request: Regular Submission.

Number of Respondents: 248.

Average Hours per Response: New Zone Application, 131 hours; Subzone Application, 4.5 hours; Reorganization/Expansion Application, 99 hours; Production Notification, 5.5 hours; Production Application, 34 hours; Minor Boundary Modifications, 3.5 hours; Waivers, 9 hours.

Burden Hours: 3,128.

Needs and Uses: The Foreign-Trade Zone Application is the vehicle by which individual firms or organizations apply for foreign-trade zone (FTZ) status, for subzone status, production authority, or for expansion/reorganization of an existing zone. The FTZ Act and Regulations require that an application with a description of the proposed project be made to the FTZ Board (19 U.S.C. 81b and 81f; 15 CFR 400.24-26) before a license can be issued or a zone can be expanded. The Act and Regulations require that applications contain detailed information on facilities, financing, operational plans, proposed production operations, need, and economic impact. Production activity in zones or subzones, can involve issues related to domestic industry and trade policy impact. Such applications must include specific information on the customs tariff-related savings that result from zone procedures and the economic consequences of permitting such savings. The FTZ Board needs complete and accurate information on the

proposed operation and its economic effects because the Act and Regulations authorize the Board to restrict or prohibit operations that are detrimental to the public interest.

Affected Public: State, local or tribal governments or not-for-profit institutions that are FTZ grantees, as well as private companies.

Frequency: As necessary to receive FTZ benefits.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

This information collection request may be viewed at reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov or fax to (202) 395-5806.

Sheleen Dumas,

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-970]

Multilayered Wood Flooring From the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Antidumping Duty New Shipper Reviews; 2014-2015

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is initiating new shipper reviews of the antidumping duty order on multilayered wood flooring from the People's Republic of China for Jiangsu Keri Wood Co., Ltd. ("Keri Wood") and Zhejiang Simite Wooden Co., Ltd. ("Simite Wooden"). The period of review ("POR") is December 1, 2014, through November 30, 2015.

DATES: *Effective Date:* January 27, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maisha Cryor, AD/CVD Operations, Office 4, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: 202-482-5831.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Department of Commerce ("Department") published the AD order on multilayered wood flooring from the

PRC on December 8, 2011.¹ On December 31, 2015, the Department received timely new shipper review requests from Keri Wood and Simite Wooden, respectively, in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), and 19 CFR 351.214(c).²

In their submissions, Keri Wood and Simite Wooden stated that they are both the producers and exporters of the subject merchandise upon which their respective review requests were based.³ Pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B)(i)(I) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(i), Keri Wood and Simite Wooden certified that they did not export multilayered wood flooring to the United States during the period of investigation ("POI").⁴ In addition, pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B)(i)(II) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iii)(A), Keri Wood and Simite Wooden certified that, since the initiation of the investigation, they have never been affiliated with any producer or exporter that exported multilayered wood flooring to the United States during the POI, including those not individually examined during the investigation.⁵ As required by 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iii)(B), Keri Wood and Simite Wooden also certified that their export activities were not controlled by the central government of the PRC.⁶

In addition to the certifications described above, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iv), Keri Wood and Simite Wooden submitted documentation establishing the following: (1) The date on which each company first shipped multilayered wood flooring for export to the United States and the date on which

¹ See *Multilayered Wood Flooring from the People's Republic of China: Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Antidumping Duty Order*, 76 FR 76690 (December 8, 2011) ("Order"), as amended *Multilayered Wood Flooring from the People's Republic of China: Amended Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 77 FR 5484 (February 3, 2012).

² See Letter from Keri Wood to the Secretary of Commerce "Multilayered Wood Flooring from the People's Republic of China: New Shipper Review," dated December 31, 2015 ("Keri Wood Initiation Request"); see also Simite Wooden to the Secretary of Commerce "Multilayered Wood Flooring from the People's Republic of China: A-570-970; Request for Antidumping Duty New Shipper Review," dated December 31, 2015 ("Simite Wooden Initiation Request").

³ See Keri Wood Initiation Request at 2 and Exhibit 2; see also Simite Wooden Initiation Request at 1-2.

⁴ See Keri Wood Initiation Request at 2 and Exhibit 2; see also Simite Wooden Initiation Request at 2 and Exhibit Req-3.

⁵ See Keri Wood Initiation Request at Exhibit 2; see also Simite Wooden Initiation Request at 2-3 and Exhibit Req-3.

⁶ See Keri Wood Initiation Request at Exhibit 2; see also Simite Wooden Initiation Request at 3 and Exhibit Req-3.