

Europe price by more than 1.25 cents per pound. This condition was met during the consecutive 10-week period that ended July 11, 1996. Therefore, a quota referenced as the Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Number 6, effective August 26, 1996, is hereby established.

Because there are only 20 subheadings available for designating upland cotton special import quotas in subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTS, only 20 such quotas can be in effect at one time. Each subheading corresponds to a Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement specifying that a particular amount of upland cotton may be imported during a particular 180-day period. The special import quota described in this notice cannot take effect until HTS subheading 9903.52.06 becomes available upon the expiration of the Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Number 6, effective February 28, 1996, through August 25, 1996. Therefore, the special import quota described in this notice opens on August 26, 1996, the day after the previous special import quota 6 ends.

The quota amount, 43,827,535 kilograms (96,623,255 pounds), is equal to 1 week's consumption of upland cotton by domestic mills at the seasonally-adjusted average rate of the most recent 3 months for which data are available—March 1996 through May 1996. The special import quota identifies a quantity of imports that is not subject to the over-quota tariff rate of a tariff-rate quota. The quota is not divided by staple length or by country of origin. The quota does not affect existing tariff rates or phytosanitary regulations. The quota does not apply to Extra Long Staple cotton.

Authority: Sec. 136, Pub.L. 104-127 and U.S. Note 6(a), Subchapter III, Chapter 99 of the HTS.

Signed at Washington, D.C., on August 23, 1996.

Dan Glickman,
Secretary.

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Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Number 7

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: A special import quota for upland cotton equal to 43,827,535 kilograms (96,623,255 pounds) is

established in accordance with section 136(b) of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (the 1996 Act) under Presidential Proclamation 6301 of June 7, 1991. The quota is referenced as the Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Number 7, effective September 2, 1996, and is set forth in subheading 9903.52.07, subchapter III, chapter 99 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS).

DATES: The quota is effective as of September 2, 1996, and applies to upland cotton purchased not later than November 30, 1996 (90 days from the date the quota was established), and entered into the United States not later than February 28, 1997 (180 days from the date the quota was established).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janise Zygmunt, Farm Service Agency, United States Department of Agriculture, Stop 0515, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, DC 20013-2415 or call (202) 720-8841.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 1996 Act requires that a special import quota for upland cotton be determined and announced immediately if, for any consecutive 10-week period, the Friday through Thursday average price quotation for the lowest-priced U.S. growth, as quoted for Middling 1-3/32 inch cotton, C.I.F. northern Europe (U.S. Northern Europe price), adjusted for the value of any cotton user marketing certificates issued, exceeds the Northern Europe price by more than 1.25 cents per pound. This condition was met during the consecutive 10-week period that ended July 18, 1996. Therefore, a quota referenced as the Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Number 7, effective September 2, 1996, is hereby established.

Because there are only 20 subheadings available for designating upland cotton special import quotas in subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTS, only 20 such quotas can be in effect at one time. Each subheading corresponds to a Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement specifying that a particular amount of upland cotton may be imported during a particular 180-day period. The special import quota described in this notice cannot take effect until HTS subheading 9903.52.07 becomes available upon the expiration of the Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Number 7, effective March 6, 1996, through September 1, 1996. Therefore, the special import quota described in this

notice opens on September 2, 1996, the day after the previous special import quota 7 ends.

The quota amount, 43,827,535 kilograms (96,623,255 pounds), is equal to 1 week's consumption of upland cotton by domestic mills at the seasonally-adjusted average rate of the most recent 3 months for which data are available—March 1996 through May 1996. The special import quota identifies a quantity of imports that is not subject to the over-quota tariff rate of a tariff-rate quota. The quota is not divided by staple length or by country of origin. The quota does not affect existing tariff rates or phytosanitary regulations. The quota does not apply to Extra Long Staple cotton.

Authority: Sec. 136, Pub.L. 104-127 and U.S. Note 6(a), Subchapter III, Chapter 99 of the HTS.

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Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Number 8

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: A special import quota for upland cotton equal to 44,368,028 kilograms (97,814,838 pounds) is established in accordance with section 136(b) of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (the 1996 Act) under Presidential Proclamation 6301 of June 7, 1991. The quota is referenced as the Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Number 8, effective September 9, 1996, and is set forth in subheading 9903.52.08, subchapter III, chapter 99 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS).

DATES: The quota is effective as of September 9, 1996, and applies to upland cotton purchased not later than December 7, 1996 (90 days from the date the quota was established), and entered into the United States not later than March 7, 1997 (180 days from the date the quota was established).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janise Zygmunt, Farm Service Agency, United States Department of Agriculture, Stop 0515, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, DC 20013-2415 or call (202) 720-8841.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 1996 Act requires that a special import quota for upland cotton be determined and announced immediately if, for any consecutive 10-week period, the Friday through Thursday average price quotation for the lowest-priced U.S. growth, as quoted for Middling 1³/₃₂ inch cotton, C.I.F. northern Europe (U.S. Northern Europe price), adjusted for the value of any cotton user marketing certificates issued, exceeds the Northern Europe price by more than 1.25 cents per pound. This condition was met during the consecutive 10-week period that ended July 25, 1996. Therefore, a quota referenced as the Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Number 8, effective September 9, 1996, is hereby established.

Because there are only 20 subheadings available for designating upland cotton special import quotas in subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTS, only 20 such quotas can be in effect at one time. Each subheading corresponds to a Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement specifying that a particular amount of upland cotton may be imported during a particular 180-day period. The special import quota described in this notice cannot take effect until HTS subheading 9903.52.08 becomes available upon the expiration of the Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Number 8, effective March 13, 1996, through September 8, 1996. Therefore, the special import quota described in this notice opens on September 9, 1996, the day after the previous special import quota 8 ends.

The quota amount, 44,368,028 kilograms (97,814,838 pounds), is equal to 1 week's consumption of upland cotton by domestic mills at the seasonally-adjusted average rate of the most recent 3 months for which data are available—April 1996 through June 1996. The special import quota identifies a quantity of imports that is not subject to the over-quota tariff rate of a tariff-rate quota. The quota is not divided by staple length or by country of origin. The quota does not affect existing tariff rates or phytosanitary regulations. The quota does not apply to Extra Long Staple cotton.

Authority: Sec. 136, Pub. L. 104-127 and U.S. Note 6(a), Subchapter III, Chapter 99 of the HTS.

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Rural Housing Service

Farm Service Agency

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service and Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comments request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), this notice announces the Rural Housing Service (RHS) and Farm Service Agency's (FSA) intention to request an extension for an information collection currently approved for the agencies account servicing policies for programs formerly administered by the United States Department of Agriculture, Farmers Home Administration. These regulations are published under the authority of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (CONACT), as amended.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before November 8, 1996 to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William D. Cobb, Senior Loan Officer, Loan Servicing and Property Management Division, Farm Service Agency, USDA/FSA/LSPMD/ Stop 0523, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, DC 20013-2415; Telephone (202) 720-1059.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Account Servicing Policies.

OMB Number: 0575-0075.

Expiration Date of Approval: March 31, 1997.

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

Abstract: The information collected under Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Number 0575-0075, as identified above, is needed to enable RHS and FSA to effectively collect on loans made under programs formerly administered by the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA). Under the provisions of the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994, FmHA loan programs were transferred to either Rural Development, which includes RHS, the Rural Business-Cooperative

Service, and the Rural Utilities Service; or the Farm Service Agency. RHS provides supervised credit in the form of Single Family Housing loans and grants, Multi-Family Housing loans and grants, and Community Facility loans and grants. FSA's Farm Credit Program provides supervised credit in the form of loans to family farmers and ranchers to purchase farm land and finance agricultural production. This regulation sets forth the policies and procedures regarding the application of payments on loans made under the RHS and FSA mission areas.

When loans are paid in full, the agencies Finance Office will automatically refund an overpayment of \$10.00 or more. It is not cost efficient for the agencies to process refunds of overpayments of less than \$10.00; therefore, these will be credited to the borrower's account unless a written request for a refund is submitted by the borrower.

Promissory notes evidencing a debt which has been reduced to a judgment are a part of the court record and ordinarily cannot be withdrawn and returned to the debtor, even after satisfaction of the debt. Therefore, no effort will be made to return these notes unless a written request is received from the borrower or their legal representative.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .25 hours per response.

Respondents: Individuals or households, farms, businesses or other for-profit, small businesses or organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 3 hours.

Copies of the information collection can be obtained from Barbara Williams, Regulations and Paperwork Management Division, at (202) 720-9734.

Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the agencies, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumption 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