

96456, Room 2753-S, Washington, D.C., 20090-6456; Telephone (202) 720-3869 or Fax (202) 720-4844.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Report Forms Under Federal Milk Orders (From Milk Handlers and Milk Marketing Cooperatives)

*OMB Number:* 0581-0032.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* May 31, 1998.

*Type of Request:* Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

*Abstract:* Federal Milk Marketing Order regulations authorized under the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as amended (7 U.S.C. 601-674), require milk handlers to report in detail the receipt and utilization of milk and milk products handled at each of their plants that are regulated by a Federal Order. The data are needed to administer the classified pricing system and related requirements of each Federal Order.

Formal rulemaking amendments to the orders must be approved in referenda conducted by the Secretary.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .87 hours per response.

*Respondents:* Milk Handlers and Milk Marketing Cooperatives.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 772.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 35.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 23,858 hours.

*Comments are invited on:* (1) Whether the proposed 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 the burden of the proposed collection of information 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 the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Office of the Deputy Administrator, USDA/AMS/Dairy Programs, Room 2968-S, P.O. Box 96456, Washington D.C. 20090-6456. All comments received will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at the same address.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request

for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 25, 1997.

**Richard M. McKee,**

*Deputy Administrator, Dairy Programs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Commodity Credit Corporation**

**Title I, P. L. 480 Agreements With the Private Trade**

**AGENCY:** Commodity Credit Corporation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Commodity Credit Corporation ("CCC") invites proposals for "agricultural market development plans" to be considered by CCC in connection with approval of agreements under Title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, ("Pub. L. 480"). Agricultural market development plans must be submitted by developing countries or private entities in conjunction with agricultural trade organizations.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by February 2, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Director, Program Development Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 4506, South Building, Washington, D.C. 20250; telephone: (202) 720-4221; Facsimile: (202) 690-0251.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under Title I of Pub. L. 480, CCC finances, on concessional credit terms, the sale and exportation of agricultural commodities to developing countries. As a result of amendments made by the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, Pub. L. 104-127, CCC may now also enter into Title I, Pub. L. 480 agreements with private entities. When selecting agreements to be entered into under Title I, Pub. L. 480, whether with a developing country or private entity (hereafter "participant"), CCC must give priority to agreements providing for the export to developing countries that:

(1) Have the demonstrated potential to become commercial markets for competitively priced United States agricultural commodities;

(2) Are undertaking measures for economic development purposes to improve food security and agricultural development, alleviate poverty, and promote broad-based equitable and sustainable development; and

(3) Demonstrate the greatest need for food.

Section 102(c)(2) of Pub. L. 480 provides that CCC shall consider a developing country for which an agricultural market development plan has been approved as having the demonstrated potential to become a commercial market. The purpose of this Notice is to invite interested parties to submit agricultural market development plans to CCC for its consideration in selecting Title I, Pub. L. 480 agreements. In order to be considered, an agricultural market development plan must be submitted by a developing country or private entity in conjunction with an "agricultural trade organization." An agricultural trade organization is a non-profit organization that promotes the sale and export of U.S. agricultural commodities. The terms "agricultural commodities" and "developing country" are defined in section 402 of Pub. L. 480. The agricultural market development plan must describe a project or program for the development and expansion of a commercial market for a United States agricultural commodity in a developing country, and the economic development of the country. Local currency realized from the sale of commodities received by a participant may be used to fund the agricultural market development plan.

Interested parties desiring to submit an agricultural market development plan to CCC should submit an agricultural market development plan, or a concept paper to the Director, Program Development Division, Foreign Agricultural Service at the following address: Director, Program Development Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 4506, South Building, Washington, D.C. 20250.

The agricultural market development plans or concept papers should outline the following points that will ultimately be incorporated into a final agricultural market development plan:

- A description of the project or program for the development and expansion of a commercial market for a U.S. agricultural commodity on a generic basis in a developing country, and the economic development of the country;
- An indication of funding sources to implement the project or program, e.g., private industry or host government funds, in addition to local currency sales proceeds;
- Whether CCC funds would be necessary for reimbursement of administrative costs incurred by agricultural trade organizations in implementing and administering agricultural market development plans (CCC will not provide funds for

administrative costs incurred in connection with the development of an agricultural market development plan at any stage of its development.);

- A results-oriented means of measuring the success of the project or program; and
- A plan for graduating the project or program away from the use of any federal funds.

In addition to the above items, an agricultural market development plan or concept paper should also include information regarding:

- Credit terms that may be desired by a participant in connection with the underlying Title I, Pub. L. 480 agreement;
- The agricultural commodity to be purchased;
- The administrative capabilities of the agricultural trade organization to implement an agricultural market development plan;
- If the participant is a private entity, a description of security to be provided CCC to support repayment to CCC of the financing extended;
- A description of any other organizations that will be used in completing the project or program and how such organizations will be used;
- A planned budget summary of funds or commodities used in lieu of funds, in support of the project or program.

Interested parties have considerable latitude to exercise creativity in constructing proposals. In evaluating project proposals, CCC will consider the following factors:

- The organizational ability of the participant to complete the project or program;
- The size, in both budget and scope, of the proposed project or program, and the level of U.S. and private resources available;
- Anticipated cost to CCC in terms of initial financing and repayment terms;
- The likelihood of the market becoming a commercial market for U.S. agricultural commodities.

CCC will notify interested parties as to whether it determines that the submission describes a desirable agricultural market development plan and, if so, work with the organization to develop a final plan. After CCC approval of a final agricultural market development plan, CCC will develop and implement a Title I, Pub. L. 480 agreement with the participant designated in the plan. The Title I, Pub. L. 480 agreement will incorporate a requirement to use local currency proceeds to implement the plan.

Signed at Washington D.C. on November 24, 1997.

**Lon Hatamiya,**

*Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service and Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

#### Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 35), Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) is announcing an opportunity for the public to comment on its intention to request an extension for a currently approved information collection. The information collection is used to determine whether a State's central filing system for notifying farm product buyers of liens on farm products can be certified by the Secretary.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by February 2, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS:** Contact Gerald Grinnell, Industry Analysis Staff, GIPSA, USDA, STOP 3647, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-3647 or FAX 202 690-1266, telephone: 202 720-7455.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under Section 1324 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (Act) (7 U.S.C. 1631), States implementing central filing systems for notification of liens on farm products must have such systems certified by the Secretary of Agriculture as being in compliance with the Act. GIPSA has been delegated responsibility for certifying such systems. The information collection being submitted for extension is used by GIPSA to determine whether a State's central filing system can be certified. Nineteen States currently have certified central filing systems.

**Title:** "Clear Title" Regulations to implement section 1324 of the Food Security Act of 1985.

**OMB Number:** 0580-0016.

**Expiration Date of Approval:** March 31, 1998.

**Type of Request:** Intent to extend a currently approved information collection.

**Abstract:** The information is needed to carry out the Secretary's responsibility for determining whether a State's central filing system for notification of buyers of farm products of any mortgages or liens on the products meets certification requirements under section 1324 of the Food Security Act of 1985.

**Estimate of Burden:** Public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 12 hours per response.

**Respondents:** States seeking certification of central filing systems to notify buyers of farm products of any mortgages or liens on the products.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 1.

**Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:** 1.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:** 12.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Cathy McDuffie, the Agency Support Services Specialist, at (301) 734-5190.

**Comments:** Comments are invited on:

- 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;
- 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;
- ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 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 forms of information technology.

Comments may be sent to: Gerald Grinnell, Industry Analysis Staff, GIPSA, USDA, STOP 3647, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-3647 or FAX 202-690-1266, telephone: 202 720-7455.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Done at Washington, DC this 25th day of November 1997.

**James R. Baker,**  
*Administrator.*

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