SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended), the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) invites comments on the following information collections for which RUS intends to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by April 17, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard C. Annan, Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., STOP 1522, Room 5181, South Building, Washington, DC 20250–1522. Telephone: (202) 720–0784. Fax: (202) 720–8435.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) regulation (5 CFR part 1320) implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13) requires that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities [see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)]. This notice identifies information collections that RUS is submitting to OMB for extension.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether this 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 the burden of the collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions 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 collection of information on respondents, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Richard C. Annan., Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 1522, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250-1522. Fax: (202) 720-8435.

Title: Mergers and Consolidations of Electric Borrowers, 7 CFR 1717, subpart D.

OMB Control Number: 0572–0114.
Type of Request: Extension of a
currently approved collection.

Abstract: The RE Act of 1936, as amended (7 U.S.C. 901 et seq.), authorizes the RUS to make and guarantee loans for rural electrification.

Due to deregulation and restructuring activities in the electric industry, RUS borrowers find it advantageous to merge or consolidate to meet the challenges of industry change. This information collection addresses the requirements of RUS policies and procedures for mergers and consolidations of electric program borrowers.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated to average 1.3 hours per response.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institution; business or other for-profit.
Estimated Number of Respondents:

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 7.9.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 184 hours.

Copies of these information collections can be obtained from MaryPat Daskal, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, at (202) 720–7853. Fax: (202) 720–8435.

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

Dated: February 6, 2006.

James M. Andrew,

Administrator, Rural Utilities Service. [FR Doc. E6–2202 Filed 2–15–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–15–P

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended), the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) invites comments on this information collection for which RUS intends to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

DATES: Comments on this notice must be

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Richard C. Annan, Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., STOP 1522, Room 5181, South Building, Washington, DC 20250–1522. Telephone: (202) 720–0784. FAX: (202) 720–4120.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget's (OMB)

regulation (5 CFR part 1320) implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13) requires that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). This notice identifies an information collection that RUS is submitting to OMB for reinstatement.

Comments are invited on: (a) 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; (b) 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; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (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. Comments may be sent to: Richard C. Annan, Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 1522, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250-1522. FAX: (202) 720-8435.

Title: Lien Accommodations and Subordinations, 7 CFR Part 1717, Subparts R & S.

OMB Control Number: 0572–0100. Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The RE Act of 1936, as amended (7 U.S.C. 901 et seq.), authorizes and empowers the Administrator of RUS to make loans in the several United States and Territories of the United States for rural Electrification and the furnishing of electric energy to persons in rural areas who are not receiving central station service. The RE Act also authorizes and empowers the Administrator of RUS to provide financial assistance to borrowers for purposes provided in the RE Act by accommodating or subordinating loans made by the national Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation, the Federal Financing Bank, and other lending agencies. Title 7 CFR part 1717, subparts R & S sets forth policy and procedures to facilitate and support borrowers' efforts to obtain private sector financing of their capital needs, to allow borrowers greater flexibility in the management of their business affairs without compromising RUS loan

security, and to reduce the cost to borrowers, in terms of time, expenses and paperwork, of obtaining lien accommodations and subordinations.

Estimate of Burden: Public Reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.54 hours per response.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions; business or other for profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 2.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 69 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from MaryPat Daskal, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, at (202) 720–7853. FAX: (202) 720–8435.

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.

Dated: February 6, 2006.

James M. Andrew,

Administrator, Rural Utilities Service. [FR Doc. E6–2203 Filed 2–15–06; 8:45 am]

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BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Performance Review Board

AGENCY: Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG).

SUMMARY: Title 5 United States Code, Section 4314, requires that notice of the appointment of an individual to serve as a member of a performance review board shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Effective Date: February 9, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Broadcasting Board of Governors, 330 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20237.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John S. Welch, Director; Office of Human Resources: Broadcasting Board of Governors; telephone (202) 619–3763.

The following individuals have been appointed to serve as PRB members for the BBG: Jill M. Crumpacker, George A. Moore, and Christopher Warner.

Dated: February 9, 2006.

Carol Booker,

Legal Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Antidumping Duty Investigation and Countervailing Duty Investigation of Hard Red Spring Wheat from Canada: Notice of Panel Decision, Revocation of Countervailing and Antidumping Duty Orders and Termination of Suspension of Liquidation

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce. SUMMARY: On December 12, 2005, the binational panel convened under the North American Free-Trade Agreement ("NAFTA") issued a decision affirming the International Trade Commission's determination issued pursuant to remand that the domestic industry is neither materially injured by reason of the subject imports nor threatened with such injury. There was no Extraordinary Challenge filed. Therefore, we are revoking the countervailing duty order and antidumping duty order on hard red spring wheat from Canada effective January 2, 2006, and ordering the termination of suspension of liquidation.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 16, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brandon Farlander or Audrey Twyman, AD/CVD Operations, Office 1, Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482–0182 and (202) 482–3534, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 16, 2003, the International Trade Commission ("ITC") determined that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports of hard red spring wheat from Canada found to be subsidized and sold in the United States at less than fair value. Hard Red Spring Wheat from Canada, Inv. Nos. 701-TA-430B and 731-TA-1019B (Final), USITC Pub. 3639 (October 2003) ("Final Injury Determination"); 68 FR 60707 (October 23, 2003). Respondent parties subsequently challenged the ITC's Final Injury Determination before a binational panel, pursuant to Article 1904 of the NAFTA. The parties briefed and argued the case before the panel, and on June 7, 2005, the panel issued its decision, remanding in full the ITC's determination. Hard Red Spring Wheat

from Canada, USA-CDA- 2003-1904-06, Decision of the Panel (June 7, 2005).

On October 5, 2005, the ITC determined on remand that the domestic industry is neither materially injured by reason of the subject imports nor threatened with material injury. By decision issued on December 12, 2005, the panel affirmed in full the ITC's determination on remand. Hard Red Spring Wheat from Canada, USA-CDA-2003-1904-06, Decision of the Panel on the Remand Determination of the U.S. International Trade Commission (December 12, 2005). On December 12, 2005, the panel directed the NAFTA Secretariat to issue a Notice of Final Panel Action on the 11th day following the December 12, 2005, panel decision. Decision of the Panel, 70 FR 75792 (December 21, 2005). The Notice of Final Panel Action was issued on December 23, 2005. On January 31, 2006, the Department published notice of the adverse decision of the NAFTA panel, 71 FR 5050 (January 31, 2006). The effective date of the notice of the adverse decision was January 2, 2006, 10 days after issuance of the Notice of Final Panel Action. On January 30, 2006, the NAFTA Secretariat published the North American Free-Trade Agreement, Article 1904 NAFTA Panel Reviews; Completion of Panel Review, 71 FR 4896 (January 30, 2006).

Therefore, we are revoking the countervailing duty order and antidumping duty order on hard red spring wheat from Canada, effective January 2, 2006.

Termination of Suspension of Liquidation

The U.S. Department of Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to terminate the suspension of liquidation of hard red spring wheat from Canada, effective January 2, 2006; to cease collection of cash deposits on hard red spring wheat from Canada; and to proceed with liquidation of the subject merchandise which entered the United States on or after January 2, 2006, without regard to countervailing duties and antidumping duties.

This revocation does not affect the liquidation of entries made prior to January 2, 2006. Any entries of subject merchandise entered before January 2, 2006, are subject to administrative review. If no review is requested we will liquidate at the rate in effect at the time of entry pursuant to 19 CFR 351.212(c).