

Conclusion

Amendments to the Rule as suggested by this Petition will advance the interests of government, industry, and the consuming public. The Food Safety and Inspection Service should proceed without further delay toward adoption of these amendments. With regard specifically to prerequisite programs, the undersigned organizations intend to engage the agency in discussions to develop the appropriate consideration of these programs within a comprehensive system for managing food safety, quality, and wholesomeness.

Certification

The undersigned certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the Petition includes all information and views on which the Petition relies, and that it includes representative data and information known to the Petitioners that are unfavorable to the Petitioners.

Respectfully submitted,

American Meat Institute
American Association of Meat Processors
National Chicken Council
National Food Processors Association
National Meat Association
National Turkey Federation
North American Meat Processors

Additional Public Notification

Public awareness of all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important. Consequently, in an effort to better ensure that minorities, women, and persons with disabilities are aware of this notice, FSIS will announce it and provide copies of this **Federal Register** publication in the FSIS Constituent Update. FSIS provides a weekly FSIS Constituent Update, which is communicated via fax to over 300 organizations and individuals. In addition, the update is available on-line through the FSIS web page located at <http://www.fsis.usda.gov>. The update is used to provide information regarding FSIS policies, procedures, regulations, **Federal Register** notices, FSIS public meetings, recalls, and any other types of information that could affect or would be of interest to our constituents/stakeholders. The constituent fax list consists of industry, trade, and farm groups, consumer interest groups, allied health professionals, scientific professionals, and other individuals that have requested to be included. Through these various channels, FSIS is able to provide information to a much broader, more diverse audience. For more information and to be added to the constituent fax list, fax your request to the Congressional and Public Affairs Office, at (202) 720-5704.

Done at Washington, DC, on: May 8, 2000.

Thomas J. Billy,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce invites U.S. companies to participate in the following overseas trade missions that they also explain at the following website: <http://www.its.doc.gov/doctm>. For a comprehensive description of the trade mission, obtain a copy of the mission statement from the project officer listed below. The recruitment and selection of private sector participants will be conducted according to the Statement of Policy Governing Department of Commerce Overseas Trade Missions announced by Secretary Daley on March 3, 1997.

The Aerospace Executive Service at the Farnborough International Air Show 2000

United Kingdom
July 24-30, 2000

For Further Information Contact:

Roderick A. Hirsch at the Department of Commerce in Long Beach, CA;
Telephone number: (562) 980-4566 or
Fax: (562) 980-4561.

Housing Business Development Mission to China

Hong Kong, Shanghai, Chendu & Beijing
June 5-14, 2000

For Further Information Contact:

Chris Twarok at the Department of Commerce in Washington, DC;
Telephone number: (202) 482-0377 or
Fax: (202) 482-0382.

Anita Blackman,

Director of Operations, Office of Domestic Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Public Telecommunications Facilities Program Application Form

ACTION: Proposed collection; comments requested.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 14, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5027, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet lengelme@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Clifton Beck, NTIA, Room H-4888, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The purpose of the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program is to assist, through matching funds, in the planning and construction of public telecommunications facilities in order to achieve the following objectives:

- Extend delivery of public telecommunications services to as many citizens in the United States as possible by the most efficient and economical means, including the use of broadcast and nonbroadcast technologies;
- Increase public telecommunications services and facilities available to, operated by, and owned by minorities and women; and
- Strengthen the capability of existing public radio and television stations to provide public telecommunications services to the public.

II. Method of Collection

The information collection instrument to be used is in written form.

- Application form distributed to all potential applicants who have notified PTFP that they wish to be placed on the mailing list for applications.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0660-0003.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Public Telecommunications Facilities Program applicants (who may be non-profit corporations, public and private

universities and colleges, state and local government agencies).

Burden Hours Calculations/Reporting

Requirement	Hours/appl- cant	No. of appli- cants	Burden hours
Application for PTFP Funds	86	450	38,700
Resubmission of applications	9	179	*1,550
Total			40,250

* In every grant cycle, PTFP requires revised information to be submitted by applicants under serious consideration. We estimate this information requires 9 hours of work by about 170 of the 450 total applicants. (9×170 = 1,530). This number has been rounded to 1,550.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Public: Cost to respondents is consistent with their normal administrative overhead. Respondents will not have to purchase equipment or material to provide information.

IV. Request for Comments

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 shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (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 respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to the notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 9, 2000.

Madeleine Clayton,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Taiwan

May 9, 2000.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 17, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roy Unger, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota reopenings, call (202) 482-3715.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The current limits for certain categories are being adjusted, variously, for swing, special shift and carryforward used.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 64 FR 71982, published on December 22, 1999). Also see 64 FR 60796, published on November 8, 1999.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

May 9, 2000.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury,
Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 2, 1999, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Taiwan and exported during the twelve-month period

which began on January 1, 2000 and extends through December 31, 2000.

Effective on May 17, 2000, you are directed to adjust the current limits for the following categories, as provided for under the terms of the current bilateral textile agreement:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
Group I	
200-224, 225/317/ 326, 226, 227, 229, 300/301/ 607, 313-315, 360-363, 369- L/670-L/870 ² , 369-S ³ , 369- O ⁴ , 400-414, 464-469, 600- 606, 611, 613/ 614/615/617, 618, 619/620, 621-624, 625/ 626/627/628/ 629, 665, 666, 669-P ⁵ , 669- T ⁶ , 669-O ⁷ , 670-H ⁸ and 670-O ⁹ , as a group.	613,796,901 square meters equivalent.
Sublevels in Group I	
218	23,756,391 square meters.
225/317/326	42,167,530 square meters.
300/301/607	1,862,669 kilograms of which not more than 1,552,224 kilograms shall be in Category 300; not more than 1,552,224 kilograms shall be in Category 301; and not more than 1,552,224 kilo- grams shall be in Category 607.
619/620	15,609,313 square meters.
Within Group I sub- group	
604	246,241 kilograms.