By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 00N–0914]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Announcement of OMB Approval; Electronic Importer's Entry Notice

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a collection of information entitled ''Electronic Importer's Entry Notice'' has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: JonnaLynn P. Capezzuto, Office of Information Resources Management (HFA–250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–4659.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of June 29, 2000 (65 FR 40100), the agency announced that the proposed information collection had been submitted to OMB for review and clearance under 44 U.S.C. 3507. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. OMB has now approved the information collection and has assigned OMB control number 0910–0046. The approval expires on August 31, 2003. A copy of the supporting statement for this information collection is available on the Internet at http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets.

Dated: August 17, 2000.

Margaret M. Dotzel,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 00N–1460]

Salmonella Enteritidis Research Public Meeting

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in cooperation with the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) and the Agricultural Research Service of the United States Department of Agriculture is announcing a public meeting to assess the current status of scientific research required to make decisions about *Salmonella* Enteritidis (SE) in egg preventative controls, surveillance, and education based on the Egg Safety Action Plan (Objective 7). This public meeting will provide an opportunity to identify the existing primary research gaps and what mechanism should be used to address such research gaps (e.g., awarding of competitive research grants, targeted contracting of research).

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday, September 8, 2000, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration and written notices of participation will be accepted beginning August 23, 2000. Submit written comments no later than October 10, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, 1325 Virginia Ave., Atlanta, GA.

Submit written comments to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. You may also send comments to the Dockets Management Branch at the following e-mail address: FDADockets@oc.fda.gov or on the FDA website at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/oc/dockets/comments/commentdocket.cfm. Transcripts and summaries of the meeting will be available for examination at the Dockets Management Branch (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: *To register for the meeting:* Wendy S. Buckler, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS–300), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202–205–2923, FAX 202–205–4422 or e-mail: wendy.buckler@cfsan.fda.gov. When registering please provide name, title, firm name, address, telephone, and fax number. When registering, please indicate if you would like to make a presentation during the meeting. Time allotted for each presentation will be approximately 5 minutes for each participant, but will depend on the number of people participating.

There is no registration fee for this public meeting, but advance registration is suggested. Interested persons are encouraged to register early because space may be limited.

For general information regarding the meeting or the Egg Safety Action Plan: Robert E. Brackett, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS–300), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202–205–4064, FAX 202–205–4422 or e-mail: robert.brackett@cfsan.fda.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The President's Council on Food Safety issued a directive entitled ''Egg Safety from Production to Consumption: An Action Plan to Eliminate Salmonella Enteritidis Illness Due to Eggs'' (Egg Safety Action Plan) to address this public health issue. A primary objective of the Egg Safety Action Plan is to promote research that will help eliminate SE illnesses associated with consumption of eggs by the year 2010. The purpose of this public meeting is to assess the current status of scientific research as specified in Objective 7 of the Egg Safety Action Plan. All discussion and presentations will focus on one or more of the items outlined in this objective. Objective 7 from the Egg Safety Action Plan states:

Objective 7:

Ensure adequate, current information is available to make decisions about SE preventive controls, surveillance, and education based on sound science.

7.1. Conduct research to develop and evaluate on-farm intervention strategies or technologies, including:

7.1.1. Forced molting and other stress factors

7.1.2. Vaccines and immunomodulators

7.1.3. Competitive exclusion

7.1.4. Ion air scrubbers in hatcheries

Timeline: By Fiscal Year (FY) 2005

7.2. Conduct research to provide additional information about commercial processing technologies and practices

7.2.1. In-shell pasteurization of eggs

7.2.2. Rapid cooling before and after processing

7.2.3. Continuous rewashing

7.2.4. Repackaging

7.2.5. Pasteurization of egg products with additives

Timeline: By FY 2003

7.3. Conduct research to improve testing methodologies for SE on the farm and in eggs, including the identification of virulence factors and development of rapid tests, screening tests, sampling protocols, and molecular for subtyping SE isolates.

Timeline: By FY 2005

7.4. Conduct research to understand the ecology and epidemiology of SE in the hen and farm environment, including:

7.4.1. Sources of SE in the environment

7.4.2. Mechanism of colonizing the layer house

7.4.3. Factors affecting infection of the hen and contamination of the egg

7.4.4. Characteristics of SE that promote infection in hens and humans

7.4.5. Biochemical characteristics of SE strains causing variations in virulence

7.4.6. Immunological and other factors in humans that affect infectivity

7.4.7. Risk factors associated with the on-farm presence of SE isolates

Timeline: By October 2008

II. Public Dockets and Submission

The agency has established public dockets to which comments may be submitted. All comments must include the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Submit written comments in duplicate to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

III. Meeting Summary and Transcript

A summary of the public meeting may be requested in writing from the Dockets Management Branch (address above) approximately 30 business days after the meeting at a cost of 10 cents per page. The summary of the public meeting will be available for public examination at the Dockets Management Branch between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

A transcript of the public meeting will be prepared. Copies of the transcript may be requested in writing from the Freedom of Information Office (HFI–35), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, rm. 12A–16, Rockville, MD 20857, approximately 15 working days after the meeting at a cost of 10 cents per page. The transcript of the public meeting and submitted comments will be available for public examination at the Dockets Management Branch (address above) between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Dated: August 18, 2000.

Margaret M. Dotzel,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and Hold an Informal Scoping Meeting on the Utah Lake Drainage Basin Water Delivery System of the Bonneville Unit, Central Utah Project

AGENCY: The Department of the Interior, Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission, and the Central Utah Water Conservancy District (District) are the joint lead agencies.

LOCATION: Wasatch Front Area, Utah (Salt Lake, Utah, and East Juab Counties).

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and hold an informal scoping meeting on the Utah Lake Drainage Basin Water Delivery System (Utah Lake System) of the Bonneville Unit, Central Utah Project, for the purpose of assessing the needs for current and future water uses within the Wasatch Front Area.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to: Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended; Section 202 (a)(1) of Public Law 102–575, Central Utah Project Completion Act (CUPCA); and the October 14, 1998, **Federal Register** Notice (FR Doc. 98–27484), the joint lead agencies are initiating a planning and EIS process with public involvement on the Utah Lake System of the Bonneville Unit, Central Utah Project. The Utah Lake System will connect to the Diamond Fork System and could make water available to the Wasatch Front Area for irrigation, municipal and industrial, fish and wildlife, and other authorized uses. Water could be delivered directly to locations within the Utah Lake Drainage Basin by the Utah Lake System as well as by exchange from other facilities. As indicated in the 1999 Diamond Fork Final Supplement to the Final EIS, the project water supply will consist of a transbasin diversion of 101,900 acre-feet, the United States' acquisition of the District's water rights in Utah Lake, and the United States' acquisition of other water rights as authorized in CUPCA. The water supply will be comprised of several sources including Strawberry Reservoir, Utah Lake, Jordanelle Reservoir, and the Provo River. A portion of the transbasin diversion has been previously committed to instream flows and exchange to Jordanelle Reservoir to meet contracts with water users from North Utah, Wasatch, and Salt Lake Counties. Therefore, the project's Utah Lake System water supply could vary from 30,000 to 70,000 acre-feet, depending on the place of use, availability, type and location of water conservation measures implemented, and the use of project return flows. Any other additional uses of Bonneville Unit water within the Wasatch Front Area and all remaining environmental issues and commitments associated with the Bonneville Unit will be addressed during this planning and EIS process. The Utah Lake System is the final component of the Bonneville Unit, Central Utah Project.

Scoping Process: The joint lead agencies will conduct scoping on the Utah Lake System in two phases. The initial phase will be informal scoping during which input will be sought to determine existing and future water needs, potential service areas, and needs for water distribution facilities. With data gathered during the informal scoping process, alternatives will be developed and presented at the second phase of scoping. The second phase, or formal scoping, will begin within 12 months and will give the public an opportunity to review and provide comments on alternatives developed for the Utah Lake System and potential impacts associated with each alternative. Additional scoping information and meetings related to the second phase will be announced at a future time. Information obtained through the formal scoping process will be used to develop the final set of alternatives for analysis in an EIS for the Utah Lake System.

Scoping Meeting: The joint lead agencies will hold an informal public scoping meeting to receive input from potential water purchasers/petitioners and the public on existing and future water needs and facilities to deliver water within the Wasatch Front Area. The scoping meeting will be conducted in an open house format during a 3-hour period in which representatives of the joint lead agencies will be available to receive input, provide information, and answer questions. To allow sufficient time for all potential purchasers/petitioners and the public, there will be a 30-minute time limit to meet with the joint lead representatives. The meeting will be held: Thursday, September 28, 2000, 5:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m., Student Center Ballroom, Utah Valley State