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ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

Committee on Rulemaking

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of a public meeting of the Committee on Rulemaking of the Assembly of the Administrative Conference of the United States. The committee will meet to discuss a recommendation, concerning agency innovations in e-Rulemaking, for consideration by the full Conference. Complete details regarding the committee meeting, a related research report, how to attend (including information about remote access and obtaining special accommodations for persons with disabilities), and how to submit comments to the committee can be found in the "Research" section of the Conference's Web site, at <http://www.acus.gov>. Click on "Research," then on "Conference Projects," and then on "Agency Innovations in e-Rulemaking."

Comments may be submitted by e-mail to Comments@acus.gov, with "Committee on Rulemaking" in the subject line, or by postal mail to "Committee on Rulemaking Comments" at the address given below. To be guaranteed consideration, comments must be received by Friday, August 19, 2011.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at 1120 20th Street, NW., Suite 706 South, Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Emily Schleicher Bremer, Designated Federal Officer, Administrative Conference of the United States, 1120 20th Street, NW., Suite 706 South, Washington, DC 20036; Telephone 202-480-2080.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee on Rulemaking will meet to consider a draft recommendation concerning agency innovations in e-

Rulemaking. The committee will discuss topics such as using agency Web sites and social media to promote participation in rulemaking proceedings and improving access for non-English speakers, persons with disabilities, and persons with low-bandwidth Internet.

DATES: Wednesday, August 24, 2011, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Designated Federal Officer: Emily Schleicher Bremer.

Dated: August 2, 2011.

Jonathan R. Siegel,

Director of Research & Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

August 3, 2011.

The Department of Agriculture will submit the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 on or after the date of publication of this notice. Comments regarding (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (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 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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC; OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV; or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602.

DATES: Comments regarding these information collections are best assured

of having their full effect if received by September 7, 2011. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8681.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Agricultural Marketing Service

Title: Data Collection for Container Availability.

OMB Control Number: 0581-NEW.

Summary of Collection: The Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621-1627) directs and authorizes the collection and dissemination of marketing information including adequate outlook information, on a market area basis, for the purpose of anticipating and meeting consumer requirements aiding in the maintenance of farm income and to bring about a balance between production and utilization. As part of the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), the Transportation Services Division (TSD) informs, represents, and assists agricultural shippers and government policymakers through: Market reports, representation, analysis, assistance, and responses to inquiries.

Need and Use of the Information: TSD collects data for its analysis from public resources as well as unique data sources to help the agricultural exporters make the most out of the transportation options available. The new Data Collection for Container Availability will provide U.S. agricultural exporters with weekly data detailing the availability of containers at select locations around the country. AMS will collect these data on a voluntary basis from ocean container carriers and then provide these up-to-date data in an aggregate report on its Web site.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 21.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Weekly.

Total Burden Hours: 1,759.

Charlene Parker,

*Departmental Information Collection
Clearance Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2011-0063]

Notice of Request for Approval of an Information Collection; Brucellosis First Point Testing of Cattle and Bison; Brucellosis Standard Card Test

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health
Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: New information collection;
comment request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's intention to request approval of an information collection associated with the State-Federal Brucellosis Eradication Program.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before October 7, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=APHIS-2011-0063-0001>.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2011-0063, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2011-0063> or in our reading room, which is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690-2817 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on brucellosis first point testing of cattle and bison and the standard card test, contact Dr. Arnold A. Gertonson, Senior Staff Veterinarian, Ruminant Health Programs, NCAHP, NAHPP, VS, APHIS, 2150 Centre

Avenue, Building B, MSC 3E20, Fort Collins, CO 90526-8117; (970) 494-7363. For copies of more detailed information on the information collection, contact Mrs. Celeste Sickles, APHIS' Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851-2908.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* Brucellosis First Point Testing of Cattle and Bison; Brucellosis Standard Card Test.

OMB Number: 0579-xxxx.

Type of Request: Approval of an information collection.

Abstract: Under the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the United States Department of Agriculture is authorized, among other things, to prohibit or restrict the importation and interstate movement of animals and animal products to prevent the introduction into and dissemination within the United States of animal diseases and pests and for eradicating such diseases when feasible.

Brucellosis is a contagious disease that primarily affects cattle, bison, and swine. It causes the loss of young through spontaneous abortion or birth of weak offspring, reduced milk production, and infertility. The continued presence of brucellosis in a herd seriously threatens the health of other animals and can cause devastating losses to farmers in the United States.

The State-Federal Brucellosis Eradication Program, a national cooperative program, is working to eradicate this serious disease of livestock from the United States. The program uses a system of State and area classifications, movement restrictions, testing protocols, extensive epidemiological investigations, and other measures to prevent its spread and eradicate the disease.

First point testing (FPT) is a key method for controlling brucellosis and is performed at a Veterinary Services (VS)-approved stockyard or other points of first concentration when livestock are moved from the farm of origin. The brucellosis standard card test is used as the official FPT brucellosis test for cattle or bison when a State animal health official has specifically designated it as the official test for cattle and bison at VS-approved stockyards in that State. The test is used to determine the brucellosis disease status of cattle and bison for interstate movement from the approved stockyards and at VS-approved brucellosis diagnostic laboratories. Only authorized State and Federal brucellosis program personnel and accredited veterinarians may

conduct the brucellosis standard card test on cattle and bison at premises other than VS-approved livestock facilities. Card test authorization involves information collection activities, including a memorandum of understanding, a card test notice, and an authorization form.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities for 3 years.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public (as well as affected agencies) concerning our information collection. These comments will help us:

(1) Evaluate 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;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use, as appropriate, of automated, electronic, mechanical, and other collection technologies; *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

Estimate of burden: The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.1768953 hours per response.

Respondents: State animal health officials and accredited veterinarians.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 57.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 4.8596491.

Estimated annual number of responses: 277.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 49 hours. (Due to averaging, the total annual burden hours may not equal the product of the annual number of responses multiplied by the reporting burden per response.)

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 in Washington, DC, this 2nd day of August 2011.

Gregory L. Parham,

*Administrator, Animal and Plant Health
Inspection Service.*

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