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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains documents other than rules or proposed rules that are applicable to the public. Notices of hearings and investigations, committee meetings, agency decisions and rulings, delegations of authority, filing of petitions and applications and agency statements of organization and functions are examples of documents appearing in this section.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

Notice of Public Meeting of the Assembly of the Administrative Conference of the United States

AGENCY: Administrative Conference of the United States.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.), the Assembly of the Administrative Conference of the United States will hold a meeting to consider three proposed recommendations and to conduct other business. This meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will take place on Friday, December 4, 2015, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The meeting may adjourn early if all business is finished.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW., Washington, DC 20581 (Main Conference Room).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shawne McGibbon, General Counsel (Designated Federal Officer), Administrative Conference of the United States, Suite 706 South, 1120 20th Street NW., Washington, DC 20036; Telephone 202-480-2088; email smcgibbon@acus.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Administrative Conference of the United States makes recommendations to federal agencies, the President, Congress, and the Judicial Conference of the United States regarding the improvement of administrative procedures (5 U.S.C. 594). The membership of the Conference, when meeting in plenary session, constitutes the Assembly of the Conference (5 U.S.C. 595).

Agenda: The Assembly will consider three proposed recommendations as described below:

Technical Assistance by Federal Agencies in the Legislative Process. This recommendation offers best practices for agencies when providing Congress with technical drafting assistance. It is intended to apply to situations in which Congress originates the draft legislation and asks an agency to review and provide expert technical feedback on the draft without necessarily taking an official substantive position. The recommendation urges agencies and Congress to engage proactively in mutually beneficial outreach and education. It highlights the practice of providing congressional requesters with redline drafts showing how proposed bills would affect existing law; suggests that agencies consider ways to involve appropriate agency experts in the process; and urges agencies to maintain a strong working relationship between legislative affairs and legislative counsel offices.

Declaratory Orders. This recommendation identifies contexts in which agencies should consider the use of declaratory orders in administrative adjudications. It also highlights best practices relating to the use of declaratory orders, including explaining the agency's procedures for issuing declaratory orders, ensuring adequate opportunities for public participation in the proceedings, responding to petitions for declaratory orders in a timely manner, and making declaratory orders and other dispositions of petitions readily available to the public.

Designing Federal Permitting Programs. This recommendation describes different types of permitting systems and provides factors for agencies to consider when designing or reviewing permitting programs. The recommendation discusses both "general" permits (which are granted so long as certain requirements are met) and "specific" permits (which involve fact-intensive, case-by-case determinations), as well as intermediate or hybrid permitting programs. It encourages agencies that adopt permitting systems to design them so as to minimize burdens on the agency and regulated entities while maintaining required regulatory protections.

Additional information about the proposed recommendations and the

order of the agenda, as well as other materials related to the meeting, can be found at the 64th Plenary Session page on the Conference's Web site: (<http://www.acus.gov/meetings-and-events/plenary-meeting/64th-plenary-session>).

Public Participation: The Conference welcomes the attendance of the public at the meeting, subject to space limitations, and will make every effort to accommodate persons with disabilities or special needs. Members of the public who wish to attend in person are asked to RSVP online at the 64th Plenary Session Web page listed above, no later than two days before the meeting, in order to facilitate entry. Members of the public who attend the meeting may be permitted to speak only with the consent of the Chairman and the unanimous approval of the members of the Assembly. If you need special accommodations due to disability, please inform the Designated Federal Officer noted above at least 7 days in advance of the meeting. The public may also view the meeting through a live webcast, which will be available at: <http://new.livestream.com/ACUS/64thPlenarySession>.

Written Comments: Persons who wish to comment on any of the proposed recommendations may do so by submitting a written statement either online by clicking "Submit a Comment" on the 64th Plenary Session Web page listed above or by mail addressed to: December 2015 Plenary Session Comments, Administrative Conference of the United States, Suite 706 South, 1120 20th Street NW., Washington, DC 20036. Written submissions must be received no later than 10:00 a.m. (EST), Monday, November 30, to assure consideration by the Assembly.

Dated: November 17, 2015.

Shawne McGibbon,
General Counsel.

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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Notice of December 1, 2015 President's Global Development Council Meeting

AGENCY: United States Agency for International Development.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The President's Council on Global Development will meet on December 1, 2015 in Washington, DC at 12:15 p.m. Eastern Time. The meeting will be open to the public via live webcast. Details for the webcast can be found at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/administration/advisory-boards/global-development-council>. The purpose of this meeting is to solicit public input on key global development issues. The President's Global Development Council will focus the discussion on issues of financial inclusion.

DATES:

Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2015.

Time: 12:15 p.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: The President's Global Development Council will convene its meeting in Washington, DC. The public is invited to submit written statements to the President's Global Development Council by any of the following methods:

Electronic Statements

- Send written statements to the President's Global Development Council's electronic mailbox at gdc@usaid.gov with the subject line "GDC Statement"; or

Paper Statements

- Send paper statements in triplicate to Jayne Thomisee, Executive Director and Designated Federal Officer, President's Global Development Council, Office of the Administrator, Room 6.8.21, U.S. Agency for International Development, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20004.

In general, all statements will be posted on the President's Global Development Council Web page (<http://www.usaid.gov/gdc>) without change, including any business or personal information provided such as names, addresses, email addresses, or telephone numbers. All statements received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. You should only submit information that you wish to make publicly available.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jayne Thomisee, 202-712-5506.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the President's Global Development Council on December 1, 2015 in Washington, DC at 12:15 p.m. Eastern Time. The meeting will be broadcast on the internet via live webcast. Details for the webcast are available at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/>

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Dated: November 13, 2015.

Jayne Thomisee,

Executive Director & Policy Advisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Economic Research Service

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

November 16, 2015.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. 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), *OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV* or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602.

Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8958. 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.

Economic Research Service

Title: Generic Clearance for Survey Research Studies.

OMB Control Number: 0536—NEW.

Summary of Collection: The Economic Research Service (ERS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture is requesting approval for a generic clearance that will allow them to conduct research to improve the quality of data collection by developing, testing, and evaluating its survey instruments, methodologies, technology, interview processes, and respondent recruitment protocols. The primary objective of ERS is providing timely research and analysis to public and private decision makers on topics related to agriculture, food, the environment, and rural America. Data collection for this collection is authorized by the 7 U.S.C. 2204(a).

Need and use of the Information: The information collected will be used by staff from the ERS and sponsoring agencies to evaluate and improve the quality of the data in the surveys and censuses that are ultimately conducted. Specifically, the information will be used to reduce respondent burden while simultaneously improving the quality of the data collected in these surveys.

Description of Respondents:

Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Farms; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 10,500.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 16,800.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Generic Clearance for the Special Nutrition Programs Quick Response Surveys (SNP QRS)

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on