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SUBJECT: Request for “No Material or Nonsubstantive Change to a Currently Approved Collection” Action

APHIS is requesting approval of changing this collection from a regular collection to generic through a “No material or nonsubstantive change to a currently approved collection” action.  This collection was incorrectly entered into ROCIS as a regular collection rather than a “Generic” in the spring of 2011. The collection was approved in November 2011 with an expiration date of 11/30/2014.  APHIS is also requesting an increase of 1,000 annual responses and 1,000 burden hours to carry out the activities during the 3-year period for this generic collection.

Approval of this change is needed immediately so that APHIS can perform an emergency epidemiologic investigation in response to the increased identification of Mycobacterium bovis (M.bovis) on California dairies.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this request.