

Justification for Change Worksheet
Livestock Mandatory Reporting Act of 1999
OMB No. 0581-0186

February 2016

**LIVESTOCK MANDATORY REPORTING (7 CFR Part 59);
REVISION OF LAMB REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

This **Justification for Change** requests the **Office of Management and Budget’s approval to increase the Reporting Requirements for OMB 0581-0186**. The Agriculture Reauthorizations Act of 2015 (2015 Act) enacted September 30, 2015 requires that AMS, under the authority of the Secretary, amend the mandatory lamb reporting requirements within 180 days after enactment. The Livestock Mandatory Reporting (LMR) program authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 will carry out the necessary revisions for the lamb reporting requirements via direct final rule. This action will redefine the term “packer” to include entities with 50 percent or more ownership in a facility and lower the threshold reporting requirements for packers and importers. Consequently, this action will minimally increase the number of covered entities providing market information that will provide a more complete representation of the marketplace.

As a result of the 2015 Act, the burden associated with Forms LS-121 Live Lamb Daily Report – Current Established Prices, LS-123 Live Lamb Weekly Report, LS-124 Live Lamb Weekly Report – Formula Purchases, LS-125 Lamb Premiums and Discounts Weekly Report, LS-128 Boxed Lamb Daily Report, and LS-129 Lamb Carcass Report as approved under 0581-0186 on September 23, 2013 (expiring September 30, 2016), has minimally increased the total number of respondents, total annual responses, and total hours as follows:

SECTION OF REGS. (A)	DESCRIPTION (B)	FORMS NO (S) (C)	NO. OF RESPONDENTS (D)	NO. OF RESPONSES PER RESPONDENT (E)	TOTAL ANNUAL RESPONSES (F)	HOURS PER RESPONSE (G)	TOTAL HOURS (H)
59.301	Live Lamb Daily Report - Current Established Prices	LS-121	(Current) 5 (New) 7	260.00	(Current) 1,300.00 (New) 1,820.00	0.34	(Current) 442.00 (New) 618.80
59.302	Live Lamb Weekly Report - Forward Contract & Packer-Owned	LS-123	(Current) 5 (New) 7	52.00	(Current) 260.00 (New) 364.00	0.25	(Current) 65.00 (New) 91.00
59.302	Live Lamb Weekly Report - Formula Purchases	LS-124	(Current) 3 (New) 7	52.00	(Current) 156.00 (New) 364.00	0.25	(Current) 39.00 (New) 91.00
59.302	Lamb Premiums & Discounts Weekly Report	LS-125	(Current) 2 (New) 7	52.00	(Current) 104.00 (New) 364.00	0.08	(Current) 8.32 (New) 29.12

59.303	Boxed Lamb Report (domestic packers)	LS-128	(Current) 9 (New) 10	260.00	(Current) 2,340.00 (New) 2,600.00	0.17	(Current) 390.78 (New) 434.20
59.303	Boxed Lamb Report (importers)	LS-128	(Current) 6 (New) 9	52.00	(Current) 312.00 (New) 468.00	0.084	(Current) 26.21 (New) 39.31
59.303	Lamb Carcass Report (domestic packers)	LS-129	(Current) 10 (New) 9	260.00	(Current) 2,600.00 (New) 2,340.00	0.17	(Current) 434.20 (New) 390.78
Difference			+16 Respondents		+1,248.00 Annual Responses		+288.70 Hours

The proposed rule was published in the Federal Register on February 29, Vol. 81, No. 39, pages 10132-10138. In addition, the 60-day Notice for comments to renew the collection package was also published February 29, Vol. 81, No. 39, pages 10205-10206.

The collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of AMS concerning the mandatory reporting of livestock prices, supply and demand, therefore AMS requests to increase the burden for collection 0581-0186 by means of a change request at this time.