Justification for Change

Import Permit Applications

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**Nonmaterial/Non-Substantive Change to an OMB approved Information Collection for Import Permit Applications (OMB Control No. 0920-0199) - Expiration 01/31/2017**

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This is a request for Nonmaterial/Non-Substantive Change to covert the MS Word documents *Application for Permit to Import Infectious Biological Agents into the United States* and *Application for Permit to Import or Transfer Live Bats* to electronic, pdf-fillable formats. The non-substantive changes will ease respondent completion and further automate the forms, and will not affect the burden in completing the forms. There will be no changes to information collection instruments, or the method by which respondents submit their forms.

Executive Order 13659, Streamlining the Export/Import Process for America's Businesses (79 Fed. Reg. 10655) requires the completion and government-wide utilization of the International Trade Data System (ITDS) by December 2016 and establishes a two-tiered governance process to oversee its implementation. CDC will publicize the fact that imports can now be documented via the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE)/International Trade Data System (ITDS), and is also seeking to publish a notice in the Federal Register notifying importers of these changes and explaining CDC’s notification requirements, including the use of the Document Image System (DIS). DIS will satisfy the CDC data and electronic document requirements for any entry filed electronically in ACE.

Under this new USG policy which CDC has adopted, the following collections may be submitted via DIS:

1. CDC Form 0.753 – Application for Permit to Import Infectious Biological Agents into the United States: <http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/ipp/applications/agents.html>
2. CDC Form 0.1345 – Application for Permit to Import or Transfer Live Bats: <http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/ipp/applications/bats.html>

CDC does not anticipate that the changes to the mode of submittal of these documents will alter the burden nor volume of responses.