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Brandon Lipps,
Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Notice of Request for Revision of a
Currently Approved Information
Collection

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service,
USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for
comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this
notice announces that the Foreign
Agricultural Service (FAS) intends to
request a revision for a currently
approved information collection
procedure for entry of specialty sugars
into the United States.

DATES: Comments should be received on
or before April 9, 2018 to be assured of
consideration.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit
comments as requested in this
document. In your comment, include
the volume, date, and page number of
this issue of the *Federal Register*. You
may submit comments by any of the
following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to
<http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the
online instructions for submitting
comments.
- *Mail, hand delivery, or courier:*
William Janis, International Economist,
Import Policies and Programs Division,
Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S.
Department of Agriculture, Stop 1021,
1400 Independence Ave. SW,
Washington, DC 20250-1021;
- *Email:* William.Janis@fas.usda.gov;

or
• *Telephone:* (202) 720-2194.
Comments will be available for
inspection online at <http://www.regulations.gov> and at the mail
address listed above between 8:00 a.m.
and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday,
except holidays.

Persons with disabilities who require
an alternative means for communication
of information (e.g., Braille, large print,
audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's
Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice
and TDD).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
William Janis, (202) 720-2194,
William.Janis@fas.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Specialty Sugar Certificate
Application.
OMB Number: 0551-0025.
Expiration Date of Approval: June 30,
2018.

Type of Request: Revision of a
currently approved information
collection.

Abstract: The quota system
established by Presidential
Proclamation 4941 of May 5, 1982,
prevented imports of certain sugars used
for specialized purposes which
originated in countries without quota
allocations. Therefore, the regulation at
15 CFR part 2011 (Allocation of Tariff-
Rate Quota on Imported Sugars, Syrups
and Molasses, subpart B—Specialty
Sugar) established terms and conditions
under which certificates are issued
permitting U.S. importers holding
certificates to enter specialty sugars
from specialty sugar source countries
under the sugar tariff-rate quotas (TRQ).
Nothing in this subpart affects the
ability to enter specialty sugars at the
over-TRQ duty rates. Applicants for
certificates for the import of specialty
sugars must supply the information
required by 15 CFR 2011.205 to be
eligible to receive a specialty sugar
certificate. The specific information
required on an application must be
collected from those who wish to
participate in the program in order to
grant specialty sugar certificates, ensure
that imported specialty sugar does not
disrupt the current domestic sugar
program, and administer the issuance of
the certificates effectively.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting
burden for this collection of information
is estimated to average 2 hours per
response.

Respondents: Importers.

Estimated Number of Respondents:
60.

**Estimated Number of Responses per
Respondent:** 1.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden on
Respondents:** 120 hours.

Request for Comments: We are
requesting comments on all aspects of
this information collection to help us to:
(1) Evaluate whether the collection of
information is necessary for the proper
performance of FAS's functions,
including whether the information will
have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the
accuracy of FAS's estimate of burden
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, including through the
use of appropriate automated,
electronic, mechanical, or other

technological collection techniques or
other forms of information technology.
Copies of this information collection
can be obtained from Connie Ehrhart,
the Agency Information Collection
Coordinator, at (202) 690-1578 or email
at Connie.Ehrhart@fas.usda.gov.

All comments received in response to
this notice, including names and
addresses when provided, will be a
matter of public record. Comments will
be summarized and included in the
submission for Office of Management
and Budget approval.

E-Government Act Compliance

FAS is committed to complying with
the E-Government Act, to promote the
use of the internet and other
information technologies to provide
increased opportunities for citizen
access to Government information and
services, and for other purposes.

Dated: January 19, 2018.

Bobby Richey Jr.,

Acting Administrator, Foreign Agricultural
Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Notice of Request for Revision of a
Currently Approved Information
Collection

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service,
USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for
comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this
notice announces that the Foreign
Agricultural Service (FAS) intends to
request a revision for a currently
approved information collection
procedure for Sugar Import Licensing
Programs.

DATES: Comments should be received on
or before April 9, 2018 to be assured of
consideration.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit
comments as requested in this
document. In your comment, include
the volume, date, and page number of
this issue of the *Federal Register*. You
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following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to
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Import Policies and Programs Division,

Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Stop 1021, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20250-1021;

• *Email:* William.Janis@fas.usda.gov;

or

• *Telephone:* (202) 720-2194.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William Janis, (202) 720-2194, William.Janis@fas.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Sugar Imported for Export as Refined Sugar or as a Sugar-Containing Product, or used in the Production of Certain Polyhydric Alcohols.

OMB Number: 0551-0015.

Expiration Date of Approval: June 30, 2018.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The primary objective of the Sugar Import Licensing Program is to permit entry of raw cane sugar, unrestricted by the quantitative limit established by the sugar tariff-rate quota, for re-export in refined form or in a sugar containing product or for the production of certain polyhydric alcohols. These programs are in use by as many as 250 licensees currently eligible to participate. Under 7 CFR part 1530, licensees are required to submit the following: (1) "Application for a license" information required for participation as set forth in section 1530.104; (2) "Regular reporting" of import, export, transfer, or use for charges and credits to licenses under section 1530.109; and (3) "Miscellaneous submission" of bonds or letters of credit under section 1530.107, appeals to determinations by the licensing authority under section 1530.112, or requests to the licensing authority for waivers under section 1530.113.

In addition, each participant must maintain records on all program reports as set forth in section 1530.110. The information collected is used by the licensing authority to manage, plan, evaluate, and account for program activities. The reports and records are required to ensure the proper operations of these programs.

Estimate of Burden: (1) "Application for a license" would require 20 hours per response; (2) "Regular reporting" would require between 10 and 15 minutes per transaction with the number of transactions varying per respondent; and (3) "miscellaneous submission" would require between 1 to 2 hours per bond or letter of credit, 2 to 10 hours per waiver request, and 10 to 100 hours per appeal.

Respondents: Sugar refiners, manufacturers of sugar containing products, and producers of polyhydric alcohol.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 270.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: New/Renew License: 1; Regular reporting: 75 transactions, total; Miscellaneous: Bonds/letters of credit: 1; Waiver requests: 1; Appeals: 1.

Estimated Total Burden Hours on Respondents: 1,653 hours.

Request for Comments: We are requesting comments on all aspects of this information collection to help us to: (1) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FAS's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of FAS's estimate of burden 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, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Connie Ehrhart, the Agency Information Collection Coordinator, at (202) 690-1578 or email at Connie.Ehrhart@fas.usda.gov.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the submission for Office of Management and Budget approval.

E-Government Act Compliance

FAS is committed to complying with the E-Government Act, to promote the use of the internet and other information technologies to provide increased opportunities for citizen access to Government information and services, and for other purposes.

Dated: January 20, 2018.

Bobby Richey, Jr.,
Acting Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

Natural Resources Conservation Service

[Docket No. NRCS-2018-0001]

Notice of Request for an Extension of Existing Information Collection Package

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that NRCS will request an extension for a currently approved information collection for long-term contracting forms.

DATES: Comments must be received 60 days after publication in the *Federal Register* to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kim Berns, Easement Programs Division, Room 5241-S, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20250; telephone (202) 720-5074.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Long-Term Contracting.

OMB Number: 0578-0013.

Expiration Date of Approval: 3 years from approval date.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The primary objective of NRCS is to work in partnership with the American people and the farming and ranching community to protect, conserve, and sustain our Nation's natural resources on privately owned land. The purpose of the long-term contracting information collection is to allow for programs to provide Federal technical and financial cost-sharing assistance through long-term contracts to eligible producers, landowners, and entities. These long-term contracts provide for making land use changes and installing conservation measures and practices to protect, conserve, develop, and use the soil, water, and