Justification of Change Worksheet Pecans Grown in AL, AR, AZ, CA, FL, GA, KS, LA, MO, MS, NC, NM, OK, SC and TX OMB No. 0581-0291 Marketing Order No. 986

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On February 21, 2018, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued its approval to AMS on five new forms related to the Federal marketing order for pecans and assigned them OMB Number 0581-0307:

Summary Report: Form 1,

Report of Shipment and Inventory on Hand: Form 2,

Exports By Country of Destination: Form 3,

Inshell Pecans Exported to Mexico For Shelling and Returned to the United States as

Shelled Meats: Form 5

Pecans Purchased Outside of the United States: Form 6.

This Justification for Change Worksheet requests OMB's approval to merge these forms into OMB No. 0581-0291 as stated in the Final Rule collection package and in the Federal Register Vol 83, No. 35, published February 21, 2018. This will keep all forms pertaining to the pecan marketing order contained in one collection to prevent duplicity of burden hours.

The 0581-0307 package containing these forms has 2,234 burden hours. The currently approved 0581-0291 package with the rest of the pecan forms has 2,361 burden hours. Once these five forms are merged into the 0581-0291 parent package, the new burden of the parent package will be 4,596 (4,595.50) burden hours.

We will request a discontinuation of OMB No. 0581-0307 after these new forms are merged into OMB No 0581-0291.

These five forms will be merged into the OMB No. 0581-0291 package which already contains forms approved for the Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) the Federal marketing order for pecans. Those forms include:

Ballot for Grower Nominees (SC-307);

Ballot for Sheller Nominees (SC-308);

Grower Nomination Form (SC-309);

Sheller Nomination Form (SC-310);

Industry Background and Acceptance Statement (SC-9);

Public Member Background and Acceptance Statement (SC-8);

Grower Referendum Ballot (SC-313);

Marketing Agreement (SC-242);

Certification of Resolution (SC-242A);

Inter-Handler Transfer Report (Form 4);

Year-End Inventory Report (Form 7).