**Justification of Change**

**Application for Plant Variety Protection Certificate**

**and Objective Description of Variety**

**OMB No. 0581-0055**

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The Plant Variety Protection Office (PVPO) information collection burden changes as new applications are received in the office. PVPO is expected to add one new crop requesting a Certificate of Protection. This new crop (Hemp) is listed below and needs to be added to the Objective Description of Variety and will use the same ST470 form that is currently approved. AMS is requesting the burden for this new crop be added to the currently approved collection. This information is needed in order to ensure that enough information is collected for the examination of a new seed variety.

New crops listed under the Objective Description of Variety:

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| **Objective Description of a Variety** | **New Form #** |
| Hemp | ST470-113 |

There are potentially 10 new Respondents each submitting 2 applications. It takes one burden hour per application. This new crop will increase our burden as follows:

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|  | Total Annual Responses | Total Hours |
| Current 0581-0055 | 2,019 | 2,062 |
| New or added | 20 | 20 |
| **New Combined** 0581-0055 | 2,039 | 2,082 |