**Supplemental Supporting Statement Part B**

**AQUACULTURE SURVEYS**

**Substantive Change**

**OMB No. 0535-0150**

**COLLECTION OF INFORMATION EMPLOYING STATISTICAL METHODS**

**1. Describe (including a numerical estimate) the potential respondent universe and any sampling or other respondent selection method to be used. Data on the number of entities (e.g., establishments, State and local government units, households, or persons) in the universe covered by the collection and in the corresponding sample are to be provided for the universe as a whole and for each stratum in the proposed sample. Indicate expected response rates for the collection as a whole. If the collection, was conducted previously, include the actual response rate achieved during the last collection.**

The Pennsylvania Annual Aquaculture Survey is conducted through a cooperative agreement with the State of Pennsylvania. A listing of names is obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. Operations that are licensed to produce aquaculture products by artificial propagation or who sell aquatic animals are required by Pennsylvania State Law No 1998-94, Subchapter B, to respond to this survey annually. Data are collected for the following categories: food fish, baitfish, ornamental/aquarium fish, sport/game fish, mollusks, crustaceans, and other aquaculture.

**2. Describe the procedures for the collection of information including:**

**• statistical methodology for stratification and sample selection,**

**• estimation procedure,**

**• degree of accuracy needed for the purpose described in the justification,**

**• unusual problems requiring specialized sampling procedures**

There will be no changes from what was approved in the original submission.

**3. Describe methods to maximize response rates and to deal with issues of non-response. The accuracy and reliability of information collected must be shown to be adequate for intended uses. For collections based on sampling a special justification must be provided for any collection that will not yield “reliable” data that can be generalized to the universe studied.**

There will be no changes from what was approved in the original submission.

**4. Describe any tests of procedures or methods to be undertaken.**

There will be no changes from what was approved in the original submission.

**5. Provide the name and telephone number of individuals consulted on statistical aspects of the design and the name agency unit, contractor(s), grantee(s), or others who will actually collect and/or analyze the information for the agency.**

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