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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

Privacy Act: Proposed New System of Records

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of proposed new System of Records—USDA/FNS-10, entitled Persons Doing Business with the Food and Nutrition Service.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, 5 U.S.C. 552a, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), is giving notice that it proposes to add a new system of records.

FNS is creating a new system of records to include the names, addresses and Social Security Numbers of persons involved in a direct payment relationship with FNS, including program sponsors, contractors and other individuals. The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (DCIA), Public Law 104-134, requires FNS to collect taxpayer identifying numbers (TINs) from all individuals and entities with which FNS does business, and to furnish the TIN with each certified voucher requesting payment. The Privacy Act of 1974, in turn, requires that before personal identifying information may be shared with other entities, a Privacy Act notice must be published. Therefore, FNS is publishing the accompanying notice announcing the establishment of a system of records providing routine uses to allow FNS to provide TINs to the Department of the Treasury for the purposes required under the Law.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This notice will be effective, without further notice, May 10, 2000 unless modified by a subsequent notice to incorporate comments received by the public. Comments must be received by the contact person listed below on or before May 1, 2000 to be assured consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to: Lou Pastura, Director, Grants Management Division, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA, Room 407, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, Virginia 22302.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Porter at (703) 305-2048.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Debt Collection Act of 1982 (Pub. L. 97-365), as amended, provides statutory authority for Federal agencies to collect debts through administrative offset. The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-134), expanded that statutory authority by requiring Federal agencies to obtain TINs from all individuals and entities doing business with it, and to furnish the TIN with each certified voucher requesting payment. This requirement enables the TINs of Federal payment recipients to be made available to match against a debtor masterfile to facilitate debt collection by administrative offset under the DCIA, and for income reporting to the Internal Revenue Service.

As a prerequisite to making TINs available for such purposes, the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, requires that agencies that maintain a system of records must publish a notice in the **Federal Register** of the existence and character of the system of records. This includes each routine use of the records contained in the system including categories of users and the purpose of such use. Thus, FNS is proposing the following routine uses for this system of records, so that FNS can fully comply with the legislative mandate cited above.

This system of records contains personal information from individuals and entities who receive payments directly from FNS under any of the various nutrition and nutrition education programs FNS administers. The following information regarding individuals and entities is contained in the system: Name, home address, Social Security Number (SSN), and Employer Identification Number (EIN). The system may also include information such as company or sponsor name, and financial data such as amounts of payments to be made.

This system of records is not a financial management system that is used to track and identify financial payments which become delinquent; however, for FNS to be in compliance with the law as required by the DCIA, FNS must share with the Department of the Treasury the personal identifying information (such as the debtor's/ payee's name, home address, SSN, and EIN (which is not considered a personal item of information)) of those individuals in this system to whom FNS is providing direct payment. As stated previously, FNS must publish a Privacy Act notice before personal identifying

information may be shared with the Department of the Treasury.

A "Report on a New System," required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r), as implemented by OMB Circular A-130, was sent to the Chairman, Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, the Chairman, House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, and to the Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, of the Office of Management and Budget on March 27, 2000.

Signed at Washington, D.C. on March 27, 2000.

Dan Glickman,
Secretary of Agriculture.

USDA/FNS-10

SYSTEM NAME:

USDA/FNS-10 Persons Doing Business with the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS).

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

None.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

This system of records is under the control of the Deputy Administrator, Financial Management, Food and Nutrition Service, United States Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, Virginia 22302. The data is maintained in the Agency Financial Management System (AFMS), FNS's automated financial system.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

The system consists of information on individuals who receive payments directly from FNS under any of the various nutrition and nutrition education programs FNS administers. These individuals may include program sponsors, contractors, and other individuals. They do not include program benefit recipients or State agencies.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

The information in the system consists of individuals' names, addresses, Social Security Numbers, Employer Identification Numbers, and amounts of payments to be made. The system may also include information such as company or sponsor name.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

31 U.S.C. 7701(c)(1), the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-134), Debt Collection Act of 1982 as amended (Pub. L. 97-365), the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 as amended the National School Lunch Act as amended, and the Food Stamp Act of 1977 as amended.

PURPOSE:

To facilitate the Congressional mandate under the DCIA to provide taxpayer identification numbers on all appropriate requests for payment to facilitate debt collection by administrative offset under the DCIA, and for income reporting to the IRS.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

(1) USDA/FNS may disclose information from this system of records to the appropriate agency, whether Federal, State, or local, charged with the responsibility of investigating or prosecuting a violation of law, or of enforcing or implementing a statute, rule, regulations, or order issued pursuant thereto, of any record within this system when information available indicates a violation or potential violation of law, whether civil, criminal, or regulatory in nature, and whether arising by general statute or particular program statute, or by rule, regulation, or order issued pursuant thereto.

(2) USDA/FNS may disclose information from this system of records to a court, magistrate, or administrative tribunal, or to opposing counsel in a proceeding before any of the above, of any record within the system which constitutes evidence in that proceeding, or which is sought in the course of discovery.

(3) USDA/FNS may disclose information from this system of records to a congressional office from the record of an individual provided that individual gave the congressional office permission to inquire on his or her behalf.

(4) USDA/FNS may disclose information from this system of records of the Internal Revenue Service, for the purpose of reporting canceled debts of \$600 or more for violations committed under FNS programs. Canceled debts will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service on Form 1099-C (Cancellation of Debt) under the authority of the Income Tax Regulations (26 CFR parts 1 and 602) under section 6050P of the Internal Revenue Code.

(5) USDA/FNS may disclose information from this system of records to the Department of the Treasury on requests for payments for purposes of administrative offset, to be effected in cases where entities participating in FNS programs owe delinquent debts to other Federal agencies.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:**STORAGE:**

Records are maintained in the Agency's AFMS system on magnetic tapes, on data disks, and in file folders at FNS Headquarters and at the National Computer Center facility in Kansas City.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Records are retrievable by name, vendor number, and Social Security Number or Employer Identification Number.

SAFEGUARDS:

Access to records is limited to those persons who process the records for the specific routine uses stated above. Records in such formats as magnetic tape and disks are kept in physically secured rooms or cabinets. Various methods of computer security limit access to records in automated databases. Paper records are segregated and physically secured in locked cabinets.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Records are maintained in the automated AFMS system indefinitely. Paper records, where they are held, are maintained for three years and then destroyed pursuant to the applicable document retention and disposal schedule.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Director, Accounting Division, Food and Nutrition Service, United States Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 415, Alexandria, Virginia, 22302.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals may request from the system manager identified above information regarding this system of records or whether the system contains records pertaining to them. Any individual requesting such information must provide his or her name, address, and Social Security Number.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURE:

Individuals may obtain information about records in the system pertaining to them by submitting a written request to the system manager listed above. The envelope and letter should be marked "Privacy Act Request," and should include the name, address, and Social Security Number of the individual for which the request is made.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

Individuals desiring to contest or amend information maintained in the system should direct their requests to

the system manager listed above, state the reason(s) for contesting the information, and provide any available documentation to support the requested action.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Information in this system is provided by the applications and contracts entered into by entities participating in the programs FNS administers. Personal information in this system is also obtained from the owners and officers of such entities as reported on the program applications and contracts for services provided under these programs.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Agricultural Research Service****Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License**

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to Azure Waves Seafood, Inc., of Cincinnati, Ohio, an exclusive license for certain uses in the field of seafood breeding and batters of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/233,173, filed April 26, 1994, and U.S. Patent No. 5,676,994, issued October 14, 1997, both entitled, "Non-Separable Starch-Oil Compositions," and U.S. Patent No. 5,882,713, issued March 16, 1999, entitled "Non-Separable Compositions of Starch and Water-Immiscible Organic Materials," and their foreign equivalents. Notice of Availability for U.S. Patent Application No. 08/233,173 was published in the **Federal Register** on October 24, 1994; Patent No. 5,676,994 and Patent No. 5,882,713 are a continuation and continuation-in-part, respectively of Serial No. 08/233,173.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 30, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of the Director, National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research, Room 2042, 1815 N. University Street, Peoria, Illinois 61604.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrew Watkins of the National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research at

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's intention to request an extension of approval of an information collection associated with the importation of swine hides, bird trophies, and deer hides.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before August 28, 2026.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to www.regulations.gov. Enter APHIS–2026–0530 in the Search field. Select the Documents tab, then select the Comment button in the list of documents.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS–2026–0530, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, 5601 Sunnyside Ave., #AP760, Beltsville, MD 20705.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at www.regulations.gov or in our reading room, which is located in Room 1620 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 799–7039 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the regulations for the importation of swine hides, bird trophies, and deer hides, contact Dr. Pamela Simpson, Senior Staff Veterinarian, Animal Products Import, Strategy and Policy, VS, APHIS, 5601 Sunnyside Ave., Beltsville, MD 20705; (301) 851–3300. For additional information on the information collection reporting process, contact Ms. Sheniqua Harris, APHIS' Paperwork Reduction Act Coordinator, at (301) 851–2528 or email APHIS.PRA@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Importation of Swine Hides, Bird Trophies, and Deer Hides.

OMB Number: 0579–0307.

Type of Request: Revision to and extension of approval of an information collection.

Abstract: Under the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the United States Department of Agriculture is authorized, among other things, to prohibit or restrict the importation and interstate movement of animals and animal products to prevent the introduction

into and dissemination within the United States of livestock diseases and pests. To carry out this mission, APHIS regulates the importation of animals and animal products into the United States. The regulations are contained in 9 CFR parts 91 through 99.

The regulations in 9 CFR parts 94 and 95 (referred to below as the regulations) prohibit or restrict the importation of specified animal products into the United States to prevent the introduction into the U.S. livestock population of certain contagious animal diseases. Sections 95.16 and 95.17 of the regulations contain, among other things, specific processing and certification requirements for untanned hides and skins and bird trophies.

The regulations require that shipments of hides be accompanied by certificates showing their origin and certifying that the hides are from areas free of certain animal diseases. Shipments of ruminant hides from Mexico must be accompanied by written statements indicating that the hides were frozen for 24 hours and treated for ticks. Shipments of bird trophies must be accompanied by certificates of origin certifying that the trophies are from regions free of exotic Newcastle disease and highly pathogenic avian influenza. These activities help ensure that the products do not harbor disease or ticks.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities for 3 years. APHIS has amended this information collection by decreasing the number of Respondents, Responses and Total Burden Hours reported. APHIS has also moved the following forms to information collection 0579–0015 “Restricted, Prohibited, and Controlled Importation of Animal and Poultry Products and Byproducts into the United States,” so that all byproduct collection activities are included in one information collection package:

- *VS Form 16–28:* Approved Warehouse Request and Agreement to Handle Restricted Animal Byproducts (Hunting Trophies and Museum Specimens).

- *VS Form 16–29:* Agreement for Handling Restricted Imports of Animal Byproducts and Controlled Materials.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public (as well as affected agencies) concerning our information collection. These comments will help us:

- (1) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the collection of information, 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, through use, as appropriate, of automated, electronic, mechanical, and other collection technologies; *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

Estimate of burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average approximately 0.250 hours per response.

Respondents: National government officials, owners of untanned ruminant and swine hides, and importers of untanned ruminant and swine hides.

Estimated number of respondents: 158.

Estimated number of responses per respondent: 7.

Estimated annual number of responses: 1,059.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 265 hours.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Done in Washington, DC, this 1st day of June 2026.

Kelly Moore,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Administration

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Administration (FNA), USDA.

ACTION: Notice of a modified system of records.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is proposing to introduce an update to the Privacy Act system of records, USDA/FNS–5, “Information on Persons Disqualified from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program,” which is retitled to “USDA/FNA–5, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program—Information on Persons Disqualified from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and on Households in the Quality Control Universe.” This system is owned, administered, and

secured by the Food and Nutrition Administration (FNA). The primary purpose of this system is to assist in the administration and enforcement of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). The purpose of this modification is to clarify and expand what systems and records this system of records (SOR) covers and includes program and technical updates to the system. This includes modifying SNAP Quality Control (QC) records that had been contained in FNS-7 SORN, which will now be covered under FNA-5. All records formerly covered under USDA/FNS-7 will be maintained within SNAP-QCS and used in conjunction with the Electronic Disqualified Recipient System (eDRS) for program integrity and statutory QC requirements. Consolidation ensures continued Privacy Act coverage and eliminates duplicative SORNs. Proposed technical changes include adding another location, maintenance, and storage of records to include electronic records.

DATES: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(4) and (11), this system of records notice will become effective upon publication in the **Federal Register**, except for the routine uses, which will become effective 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**, unless USDA determines they must be changed as a result of public comment. USDA will publish any changes to the system of records notice resulting from public comment.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by one of the following methods:

* *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

* *Mail:*

○ Send SNAP Quality Control System (SNAP-QCS) comments to John McCleskey, Branch Chief, QC Branch, Program Administration and Nutrition Division, Food and Nutrition Administration, 1320 Braddock Place, 5th Floor, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

○ Send Electronic Disqualified Recipient System (eDRS) comments to Maribelle Balbes, Branch Chief, State Administration Branch, Program Administration and Nutrition Division, Food and Nutrition Administration, 1320 Braddock Place, 5th Floor; Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. All comments received will be posted without charge to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or

comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general questions, please contact: FNA Privacy Officer, Information Management Branch, Food and Nutrition Administration, USDA, 1320 Braddock Place, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; or via email at SM.fn.Privacy-FNA@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a, FNA proposes to revise USDA/FNS-5, Information on Persons Disqualified from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, to expand the systems and records covered to include SNAP QC records and include program and technical updates. The SORN explains how the records within the system will be used and with whom they will be shared. This SOR is being revised to include a change to the routine uses that apply to both SNAP-QCS and eDRS records. USDA/FNS-5 currently covers personal information about individuals disqualified from participating in SNAP collected in eDRS. This SOR is being modified to include households sampled for SNAP QCS, as required in the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 is 7 U.S.C. 2011–2031, as amended through Public Law 119–21, Enacted July 4, 2025.

Elsewhere in the **Federal Register**, USDA is rescinding FNS-7 Quality Control Subsample of Nonassistance Households Participating in the Food Stamp Program. Consolidating USDA/FNS-7 into USDA/FNA-5 is necessary because USDA/FNS-7 is outdated and no longer reflects current SNAP Quality Control operations or systems. Records previously covered under USDA/FNS-7 will be maintained in SNAP-QCS and integrated with eDRS to support program integrity and compliance with statutory QC requirements. This action maintains Privacy Act coverage and eliminates redundant SORNs. All Privacy Act obligations, including notice, routine uses, and safeguards remain satisfied. Data includes the complete set of QC cases sampled by all states and contains the active QC sample, which is comprised of households that are participating in SNAP, and the negative QC sample, which is comprised of households that have been denied, suspended, or terminated from SNAP.¹ The information collected from these

¹ Per 7 CFR 273.1(a), households are defined as an individual or groups of individuals who customarily purchase food and prepare meals for home consumption separate and apart from others; or who live together and customarily purchase food and prepare meals together for home consumption.

households is stored in SNAP-QCS. Proposed technical changes for both SNAP-QCS and eDRS will include adding additional details about location, maintenance, and storage of records to include electronic records.

In addition, FNA proposes to modify the SOR title of USDA/FNS-5 from, “Information on Persons Disqualified from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program,” to “USDA/FNA-5, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program—Information on Persons Disqualified and Households in the Quality Control Universe.”

No Privacy Act exemptions are claimed for this SOR.

SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:

USDA/FNA-5, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program—Information on Persons Disqualified from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and on Households in the Quality Control Universe.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Unclassified.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

This system of records is under the control of the Associate Administrator, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Food and Nutrition Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, 1320 Braddock Pl., Alexandria, Virginia 22314. The data will be maintained at the Digital Infrastructure Service Center, Kansas City, Missouri (DISC-KC).

SYSTEM MANAGER(S):

Associate Administrator, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Food and Nutrition Administration; 1320 Braddock Place, 5th Floor; Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

Food and Nutrition Act (FNA) Sections 6(b), 15(b), 15(c), and 16(c) (7 U.S.C. 2011–2031), and implementing regulations at 7 CFR parts 273 and 275 provide explicit authority to collect, maintain, and use both disqualification and QC records. These authorities mandate QC sampling, error rate measurement, State liability determinations, and disqualification tracking for intentional program violations.

PURPOSE(S) OF THE SYSTEM:

The purpose of this system is to support the effective administration, oversight, and integrity of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) by maintaining records on individuals who have been disqualified due to intentional program

violations (IPVs), and by enabling quality control (QC) and program integrity functions.

Specifically, the system is used to:

Ensure Program Integrity and Eligibility Compliance by verifying that individuals who have been disqualified from SNAP benefits do not receive benefits during their period of ineligibility, in accordance with 7 CFR part 273.

Support SNAP Quality Control (QCS) Activities by providing data necessary to measure payment accuracy, validate eligibility determinations, and support Federal and State quality control reviews. The system enables USDA and State agencies to identify improper payments, assess root causes of errors, and implement corrective actions to improve program performance.

Prevent Improper Payments and Duplicate Participation to facilitate cross-checks within and across State SNAP agencies to prevent individuals from receiving benefits in multiple jurisdictions or after disqualification.

Enable Oversight, Reporting, and Performance Management by supporting USDA's ability to conduct oversight, produce required reports, and evaluate program effectiveness, including error rate measurement and compliance with Federal standards.

Support Investigations and Enforcement Actions by providing records necessary for administrative or judicial actions related to program violations, including the establishment and enforcement of disqualification penalties.

Enhance Data-Driven Decision Making by enabling analysis of trends in program violations and disqualifications to strengthen internal controls, inform policy decisions, and improve program integrity strategies.

This system helps USDA and State SNAP agencies make sure the program is working correctly and fairly. It tracks people who are not allowed to receive SNAP benefits because they broke program rules. It also supports quality control reviews, which are regular checks to make sure; benefits are issued correctly, eligibility decisions are accurate, errors or improper payments are identified and fixed.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

This system of records covers the following categories of individuals:

1. Individuals who have been disqualified from participation in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) as a result of an intentional program violation, as determined in accordance with

applicable Federal statutes and regulations.

2. Individuals who are members of households selected for SNAP Quality Control (QC) reviews, including households that are:

- Participating in SNAP; and
- Denied, suspended, or terminated from SNAP participation.

3. Individuals contacted for Quality Control verification purposes, including household members and non-household members, who provide information to verify eligibility, benefits, or other case-related information for sampled SNAP households.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

This system of records contains the following categories of records.

1. Disqualification Records (Electronic Disqualified Recipient System (eDRS)): Records relating to individuals disqualified from participation in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), including Full name; Social Security number (SSN); Date of birth; Sex; State and locality imposing the disqualification; Date(s) and length(s) of disqualification; Case identifiers and related program enforcement information. These records are retrieved by name, SSN, and/or State case identification number.

2. SNAP Quality Control (QC) Household Records (SNAP Quality Control System (SNAP QCS)): Records relating to households selected for SNAP Quality Control reviews, including households participating in SNAP and households denied, suspended, or terminated from the program. These records may include: Full name(s) of household member(s); SSN(s); Date(s) of birth; Citizenship or immigration status, as applicable; State and local agency identifiers; Household address and contact information; SNAP case numbers and QC review identifiers; Certification periods, benefit amounts, and reporting requirements. These records are retrieved by name, SSN, SNAP case number, QC review number, and/or State case identification number.

3. Eligibility, Financial, and Verification Information: Records used to determine eligibility and benefit accuracy for SNAP and Quality Control purposes, including: full name; SSN; household case number; Income and resource information (e.g., earnings, bank account information, vehicles, and property); Allowable deductions (e.g., medical expenses, dependent care, child support, shelter, rent, and utilities); Supporting documentation and verification materials obtained during Quality Control reviews. These records are retrieved by individual name, SSN,

household case number, and related QC identifiers.

4. Quality Control Verification Contact Records: Records relating to individuals contacted to verify information for sampled SNAP households, including: Full name; Relationship to the household; Nature of verification provided; Contact information (address, telephone number, and/or email address). These records are retrieved by the name of the individual contacted and/or the associated SNAP household or QC case identifier.

5. Administrative, Audit, and Oversight Records: Records generated in connection with SNAP program oversight, Quality Control reviews, audits, investigations, error rate determinations, corrective actions, and State agency liability assessments. These records are retrieved by name, SSN, case number, QC identifier, and/or other unique administrative identifiers associated with the individual or household.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Records in this system of records are obtained from the following sources:

SNAP-administering State agencies, which submit information relating to individuals disqualified from SNAP participation due to intentional program violations; and households selected for SNAP Quality Control (QC) reviews, including participating households and households denied, suspended, or terminated from SNAP.

Individuals covered by the system, including SNAP applicants, recipients, disqualified individuals, and members of households selected for QC reviews, who provide information directly or indirectly in connection with eligibility determinations, QC reviews, or enforcement actions.

Individuals and entities contacted for verification purposes, including household members and non-household sources (such as employers, landlords, financial institutions, or other third parties), who provide information to verify eligibility, benefit accuracy, or case circumstances for sampled SNAP households.

USDA/FNA program operations and oversight activities, including records generated by FNA or its authorized agents in connection with Quality Control reviews, audits, investigations, corrective actions, and State agency liability determinations.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

Disclosure of records in this system may be made for the permitted routine

uses outlined below as long as such uses are also authorized by Sections 6(b), 11(e)(8), 15(b), 15(c), and 16(c) of the FNA (7 U.S.C. 2011–2031), 7 CFR 272.1(c), 7 CFR 273.2(f)(11), 7 CFR 273.16, and 7 CFR 275.2.

The following routine uses are modified or added to this SOR:

A. To the Department of Justice when:

(a) USDA/FNA or any component thereof; or (b) any employee of USDA/FNA in his or her official capacity, or any employee of the agency in his or her individual capacity where the Department of Justice has agreed to represent the employee; or (c) the United States Government, is a party to litigation or has an interest in such litigation, and USDA/FNA determines that the records are both relevant and necessary to the litigation and the use of such records by the Department of Justice is deemed by USDA/FNA to be for a purpose that is compatible with the purpose for which USDA/FNA collected the records.

B. In an appropriate proceeding before a court, grand jury, or administrative or adjudicative body or official, when the USDA/FNA or other Agency representing the USDA/FNA, determines that the records are both relevant and necessary to the proceeding; or in an appropriate proceeding before an administrative or adjudicative body when the adjudicator determines the records to be relevant to the proceeding.

C. To a congressional office in response to an inquiry from that congressional office made at the written request of, and on behalf of, the individual about whom the record pertains.

D. To the National Archives and Records Administration or other Federal government agencies pursuant to records management activities being conducted under 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906.

E. To another Federal agency or Federal entity, when USDA/FNA determines that information from this system of records is reasonably necessary to assist the recipient agency or entity in: (1) responding to a suspected or confirmed breach or (2) preventing, minimizing, or remedying the risk of harm to individuals, the recipient agency or entity (including its information systems, programs, and operations), the Federal Government, or national security, resulting from a suspected or confirmed breach.

F. To appropriate agencies, entities, and persons when: (1) USDA/FNA suspects or has confirmed that there has been a breach of the system of records; (2) USDA/FNA has determined that as

a result of the suspected or confirmed breach there is a risk of harm to individuals, USDA/FNA (including its information systems, programs, and operations), the Federal Government, or national security; and (3) the disclosure made to such agencies, entities, and persons is reasonably necessary to assist in connection with USDA/FNA's efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed compromise and prevent, minimize, or remedy such harm.

G. To contractors and their agents, grantees, experts, consultants, and others performing or working on a contract, service, grant, cooperative agreement, or other assignment for the USDA/FNA, when necessary to accomplish an agency function related to this system of records.

H. When a record on its face, or in conjunction with other records, indicates a violation or potential violation of law, whether civil, criminal or regulatory in nature, and whether arising by general statute or particular program statute, or by regulation, rule, or order issued pursuant thereto, USDA/FNA may disclose the record to the appropriate agency, whether Federal, foreign, State, local, or tribal, or other public authority responsible for enforcing, investigating, or prosecuting such violation or charged with enforcing or implementing the statute, or rule, regulation, or order issued pursuant thereto, if the information disclosed is relevant to any enforcement, regulatory, investigative or prosecutive responsibility of the receiving entity.

I. To State Agencies Administering the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program to access the Electronic Disqualified Recipient System (eDRS) to identify individuals who have been disqualified from receiving SNAP benefits. The eDRS matching program maintains program integrity and reduces payment errors by providing information to assist State agencies with establishing or verifying the eligibility of individuals for SNAP benefits and determining the appropriate disqualification period to be imposed for a new IPV as required in regulations at 7 CFR 273.16, Disqualification for intentional Program violation. Each State agency must submit information about individuals who have been disqualified from SNAP within their State to eDRS. As a participant in this matching program, each State agency has access to this national system to both submit the required information for their State and perform the required matches against information provided by all State agencies.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS:

Records are maintained on the Department's computers at the DISC-KC on electronic media and storage within the NetApp environment at that facility. These records are electronic and maintained within backups, and data disks at FNA Headquarters and at the Digital Infrastructure Service Center (DISC) facility in Kansas City. This SOR is being modified to add records being hosted in a secure cloud infrastructure environment, which is FedRAMP High certified.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETRIEVAL OF RECORDS:

See "Categories of Records in the System" Section for identifiers USDA retrieve records by.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:

Records in this system are retained and disposed of in accordance with the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, as amended, USDA-approved records schedules: DM-0462-2016-0001, and schedules approved by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

* Records relating to individuals disqualified from participation in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), maintained in the Electronic Disqualified Recipient System (eDRS), are retained permanently because prior disqualifications must be considered in determining future eligibility and disqualification periods.

* Records relating to SNAP Quality Control (QC) households, maintained in the SNAP Quality Control System (SNAP-QCS), are retained for the period necessary to support error rate determinations, State agency liability assessments, audits, and program oversight, and are disposed of in accordance with applicable NARA-approved schedules.

* Records subject to litigation, audit, or investigation holds are retained until all such matters are resolved.

ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:

Disqualification records will be available only to identified State agency personnel charged with the administration and enforcement of SNAP. Online access to the DISC-KC database will be restricted to FNA personnel charged with system management. The DISC-KC is the repository of multiple Department systems of records and other databases. It was constructed and is maintained at a secure facility. State agencies will be

provided with information from this system of records only upon entering into a written agreement with FNA. This agreement includes the understanding that State agencies will provide full security for data released to them and will limit access to this data to authorized personnel only. Any reports generated by FNA will be for system evaluation purposes only and will be maintained in secure offices and facilities.

Administrative Safeguards: The USDA safeguards for this system include role-based access controls and formal account approval processes. Access to the system is restricted to authorized personnel who require the information to perform official duties. Users must complete required privacy and security awareness training prior to gaining access and annually thereafter. User access is reviewed periodically, and accounts are validated to ensure continued need. Information sharing is governed by established policies and reviewed on a recurring basis to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Technical Safeguards: The technical safeguards include secure authentication mechanisms, including e-Authentication with appropriate credentialing levels, to control system access, and verify user identity. Data is protected through encryption at rest and in transit. System activity is logged, monitored, and audited, with audit records reviewed regularly and automated alerts generated for anomalous or unauthorized activity. Database auditing is implemented to monitor user activity and maintain accountability. User access is restricted based on assigned roles, and controls are in place to disable inactive accounts and detect access from unauthorized locations. Data validation controls are implemented to enhance data integrity and reduce the risk of erroneous or incomplete data entry.

Physical Safeguards: The servers include the use of secure Federal facilities and controlled environments where the system and associated data are hosted. Physical access to information technology infrastructure is limited to authorized personnel through established security controls, including access restrictions and monitoring, consistent with Federal security standards.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

An individual seeking access to Privacy Act Records: Requests must be in writing in accordance with the instructions set forth in the system of notice for that system of records.

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- * The name of the individual making the request;
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If an individual submitting a request for access under 7 CFR 1.112, paragraph (a) wishes to be supplied with copies of the records by mail, the requester shall include with his or her request sufficient data for the agency to verify the requester's identity.

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The USDA Public Access Link (PAL) is a web portal that allows requestors to create, submit, and track the status of their FOIA and Privacy Act request(s). To use the system, the requestor must register and create a username and password. This system also provides remote identity proofing and authentication through login.gov for Privacy Act requests.

See the 'Notification Procedure' below.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

Individuals desiring to contest or amend information maintained in the system should direct their request to the system manager listed above, the reasons for contesting it, and the proposed amendment to the information with supporting information to show how the record is inaccurate. This request must follow the procedures set forth in 7 CFR 1.116 (Request for correction or amendment to record).

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EXEMPTIONS PROMUGLATED FROM THE SYSTEM:

None.

HISTORY:

USDA/FNS-5, "Information on Persons Disqualified from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program—USDA/FNS," 75 FR 81205, published December 14, 2010.

USDA/FNS-7, "Quality Control Subsample of Nonassistance Households Participating in the Food Stamp Program—USDA/FNS," 42 FR 190, published September 20, 1977.

Shiela Corley,

Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Administration

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Administration (FNA), USDA.

ACTION: Rescindment of a System of Records Notice.

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Shiela Corley,

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Administration

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Administration (FNA), USDA.

ACTION: Rescindment of a System of Records Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Administration proposes to rescind the System of Records (SOR), currently titled USDA/FNS-7, "Quality Control Subsample of Nonassistance Households Participating in the Food Stamp Program- USDA/FNS" published September 30, 1977. SNAP QC records that had been contained in FNS-7 SORN will now be covered under FNA-5 SORN.

DATES: This notice is effective upon publication. USDA is publishing this rescission notice on the same day as the modified USDA/FNA-5 system of records notice, which will cover the records previously maintained under USDA/FNS-7.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by one of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Mail: Send SNAP Quality Control System (SNAP-QCS) comments to John McCleskey, Branch Chief, QC Branch, Program Administration and Nutrition Division Food and Nutrition Administration, 1320 Braddock Place, 5th Floor, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. Comments can be submitted on any aspect of this notice. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general questions, please contact: FNA Privacy Officer, Information Management Branch, Food and Nutrition Administration, USDA, 1320 Braddock Place, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; or via email at SM.fn.Privacy-FNA@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FNA is proposing to rescind the system of records titled USDA/FNS-7, "Quality Control Subsample of Nonassistance Households Participating in the Food Stamp Program- USDA/FNS," which was last published at 42 FR 190 on September 30, 1977.

Elsewhere in the **Federal Register**, FNA has proposed to revise USDA/FNA-5, now titled "Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Information on Persons Disqualified from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and on Households in the Quality Control Universe," to

explicitly include SNAP QC records within the systems of records covered. The records previously maintained under USDA/FNS-7 will now be maintained under USDA/FNA-5. This change aligns the SOR with operational reality and long-standing program requirements.

SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:

USDA/FNS-7 "USDA/FNS-7, Quality Control Subsample of Nonassistance Households Participating in the Food Stamp Program- USDA/FNS."

HISTORY:

USDA/FNS-7, "Quality Control Subsample of Nonassistance Households Participating in the Food Stamp Program—USDA/FNS," 42 FR 190, published September 30, 1977.

Authority: 5. U.S.C. 552a (Privacy Act of 1974), as amended.

Shiela Corley,

Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Administration

Agency Information Collection

Activities: Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP) Reporting and FNS-292A/FNS-292B Recordkeeping

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Administration (FNA), USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on this proposed information collection. This is a revision of a currently approved collection. This information collection is associated with waiver request and reporting by State agencies to operate a Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP) to temporarily provide food assistance to households following a disaster and the submission of FNS-292A and FNS-292B.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before August 28, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent to: Jacqueline O'Connor, Team Lead, SNAP Disaster Response Team, Food and Nutrition Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1320 Braddock Place, 5th Floor, Alexandria, VA 22314. Comments may also be submitted via fax to the attention of Jacqueline O'Connor at 703-305-4371

or via email to Jacqueline.o'connor@usda.gov. Comments will also be accepted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will be a matter of public record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to Jacqueline O'Connor at 703-305-4371.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions that were used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title: Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP) Reporting and FNS-292A/FNS-292B Recordkeeping.

Form Number: FNS-292A and FNS-292B.

OMB Control Number: 0584-0336.

Expiration Date: 12/31/2028.

Type of Request: Revision of a previously approved collection.

Abstract: Pursuant to § 412 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5179) and § 5(h)(1) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2014(h)), the Secretary of Agriculture has the authority to establish a Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP), which is a temporary program that State agencies may operate to provide food assistance to households affected by a disaster. D-SNAP is separate and distinct from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) because it has different standards of eligibility, is operated for a limited duration, and only provides one month of benefits to eligible households.