

agencies. The WIC local agency directory serves as the primary source of data on the number and location of local agencies and is published annually. It is used to refer individuals to the nearest source of WIC Program services and to maintain continuity of program services to migrant and other transient participants.

Description of Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 88.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 15.

National Agricultural Statistics Service

Title: Equine Survey.

OMB Control Number: 0535-0227.

Summary of Collection: The National Agricultural Statistics Service's (NASS) primary function is to prepare and issue state and national estimates of crop and livestock production. Services such as statistical consultation, data collection, summary tabulation, and analysis are performed for other Federal and state agencies on a reimbursable basis as the need arises. In 1997, an Equine Survey was conducted for the New Jersey State Department of Agriculture. The results are being used to provide an assessment of the equine industry's contribution to the state's economy in terms of infrastructure and value. NASS will collect information using a survey on equine.

Need and Use of the Information: NASS will collect information on the equine inventories, by category; equine revenue, by activity; and equine related expenditures, by purpose. The survey will provide NASS with names and addresses of equine operations that can be used for Census of Agriculture enumeration and for the NASS program that seeks to cover 99 percent of U.S. agricultural cash receipts.

Description of Respondents: Farms; Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 43,800.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Other (One time only).

Total Burden Hours: 21,900.

Food and Nutrition Service

Title: Federal Collection Methods for Food Stamp Program Recipient Claims.

OMB Control Number: 0584-0446.

Summary of Collection: Currently there is approximately \$1 billion in established recipient claims for overissued Food Stamp Program (FSP) benefits, a substantial portion of which State agencies are being unsuccessful in collecting. The Debt Collection Improvement (DCIA), Food Stamp (FSA) and Privacy Acts require that State agencies advise debtors of the intended

Federal Claims Collection Methods (FCCM), offer debtors an opportunity to repay the claim, and offer debtors an opportunity to request a review of the validity of the collection action. Under DCIA, food stamp recipient claims administered by State agencies which are delinquent for 180 days are required to be referred to Treasury for Treasury Offset Program (TOP) collection actions. In the case of Federal Income Tax Refund Offset Program (FTROP), the claims are then referred to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for collection from individual Federal income tax refunds. Claims to be collected via Salary Offset are referred to Federal employers for wage garnishment. In all instances, the debtor is notified and given the opportunity to request a hearing and make arrangements to repay the claim prior to FCCM referral. The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) will collect information using various methods as the FTROP, TOP, FCCM, to collect debts from delinquent recipients.

Need and Use of the Information: FNS will collect information to collect outstanding claim balances by using the recipient Federal income tax refunds, Salary Offset for wage garnishment, various Federal payments including, but not limited to, social security benefits and vendor payments.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or households; Federal Government; State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 380,053.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion; Weekly; Quarterly; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 71,803.

Nancy Sternberg,

Departmental Information Clearance Officer.

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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 ATD, LLC of New Orleans, Louisiana, an exclusive license to U.S. Patent No. 5,094,946 issued on March 10, 1992, and U.S. Patent No. 5,271,912 issued on December 21, 1993, both entitled "Enzymatic Processing of

Materials Containing Chromium and Protein." Notice of Availability for U.S. Patent No. 5,094,946 was published in the **Federal Register** on July 23, 1990, and Notice of Availability U.S. Patent No. 5,271,912 was published in the **Federal Register** on June 25, 1992.

DATES: (**Federal Register**) Comments must be received on or before December 7, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, Room 415, Building 005, BARC-West, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-2350.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301-504-5989.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Government's patent rights to this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as ATD, LLC submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within sixty (60) days from the date of this published Notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Richard M. Parry, Jr.,

Assistant Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

[Docket No. 98-054N]

HACCP Implementation for Small Plants; Public Meetings

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is holding a series of public meetings from October through December 1998 to discuss ways to help owners and managers of small plants prepare for the HACCP implementation date of January 25, 1999. The meetings will give all stakeholders an opportunity to hear what is currently being done to help small plants and to discuss additional ways of ensuring that small plants

receive the assistance they need to make the timely transition to HACCP.

DATES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for meeting dates.

ADDRESSES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the location of the meetings.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To register for the meeting, contact Ms. Sheila Johnson of the FSIS Planning Staff at (202) 501-7138 or by FAX at (202) 501-7642. If a sign language interpreter or other special accommodation is required, please contact Ms. Johnson as soon as possible in advance of the meeting.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On June 25, 1996, FSIS published a final rule, "Pathogen Reduction: Hazard

Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) Systems," (61 FR 38806). The rule established a HACCP implementation schedule for establishments based on their size. Large plants began implementing HACCP on January 26, 1998. Small plants have a scheduled implementation date of January 25, 1999, and very small plants are required to implement HACCP by January 25, 2000.

Since publication of its final HACCP rule, FSIS has held a series of public meetings to facilitate implementation of HACCP plans, especially by small and very small plants. The Agency also has provided extensive information and technical assistance that would be helpful to plant managers in

development of HACCP plans. FSIS also has developed and distributed generic HACCP models and guidance materials specifically to aid small plant managers.

The upcoming meetings will discuss small plant initiatives, including contacts and a coordinators assistance network, small plant demonstration projects, plant sponsorship, and land grant university workshops. A panel will address the key elements of implementation, and there will be an opportunity to ask questions and seek additional information. All of the meetings will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The following is a list of locations and dates for each of the meetings scheduled from October to December 1998.¹

Meeting location	Date
Chicago, IL; Four Point Hotel by Sheraton-Chicago O'Hare Airport, 102249 W. Irving Park Rd., Schiller, Park, IL; telephone (847) 671-6000.	October 3, 1998.
Columbus, OH; Holiday Inn East, 4560 Hilton Corporate Dr., Columbus, OH; telephone (614) 868-1380	October 3, 1998.
Philadelphia, PA; Holiday Inn-Independence Hall, 400 Arch St., Philadelphia, PA; telephone (215) 923-8660	October 10, 1998.
Olympia, WA; Department of Labor & Industries Headquarters Building, Auditorium, Room ST121, 7273 Linderson Way, SW, Tumwater, WA; telephone (360) 902-6288.	October 10, 1998.
Denver, CO; Double Tree Hotel, 13696 E. Iliff Pl., Aurora, CO; telephone (303) 337-2800	October 17, 1998.
Kansas City, MO; Wyndham Garden Hotel, One East 45th St.; telephone (816) 753-7400	October 17, 1998.
Des Moines, IA; West Des Moines Marriott, 1250 74th St.; telephone (515) 267-1500	October 24, 1998.
Jackson, MS; Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum, 1150 Lakeland Drive, I-55 Exit 98-B; telephone (601) 354-6113.	October 24, 1998.
San Juan, PR; San Juan Marriott Resort; 1309 Ashford Avenue; telephone (787) 289-6027	October 31, 1998.
Madison, WI; Radisson Inn Madison, 516 Grand Canyon Dr.; telephone (608) 833-0100	November 7, 1998.
Albany, NY; Omni Hotel, State and Lodge St.; telephone (510) 462-6611	November 7, 1998.
Atlanta, GA; Terrace Garden Hotel Buckhead, 3405 Lenox Rd., NE; telephone (404) 261-9520	November 14, 1998.
Boston, MA; Swissotel, One Avenue deLafayette; telephone (617) 422-5531	November 14, 1998.
Fayetteville, AR; Hilton Hotel, 70 North East Avenue; telephone (501) 442-5555	November 21, 1998.
St. Paul, MN; Earl Brown Center, 1890 Buford Avenue	November 21, 1998.
Sacramento, CA; California Department of Food and Agriculture Auditorium, 1220 N. Street	December 5, 1998.
Dallas, TX; Holiday Inn Select Dallas, 10650 N. Central Expressway; telephone (214) 373-6000	December 5, 1998.
Honolulu, HI; Ala Moana Hotel, 410 Atkinson Dr.; telephone (808) 955-4811	December 8, 1998.

Done at Washington, DC, on September 28, 1998.

Thomas J. Billy,
Administrator.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

SUNSHINE ACT MEETING

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, October 16, 1998, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 624 Ninth Street, N.W., Room 540, Washington, DC 20425.

STATUS:

Agenda

I. Approval of Agenda

II. Approval of Minutes of September 18, 1998 Meeting

III. Announcements

IV. Staff Director's Report

V. State Advisory Committee
Appointments for Mississippi and Wyoming

VI. Future Agenda Items

10:30 a.m.—Briefing on International Human Rights

CONTACT PERSON FOR FURTHER

INFORMATION: Barbara Brooks, Press and Communications (202) 376-8312.

Stephanie Y. Moore,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Title: Annual Survey of Construction, Engineering, Architectural, and Mining Services Provided by U.S. Firms to Unaffiliated Foreign Persons.

Form Number(s): BE-47.

Agency Approval Number: 0608-0015.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 700 hours.

¹ When no telephone number is available at the meeting site, please call the FSIS contact person at

the numbers listed in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**