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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. 97-056-1]

#### Declaration of Emergency Because of the Mediterranean Fruit Fly

A serious outbreak of the Mediterranean fruit fly, *Ceratitidis capitata* (Wiedemann), is occurring in Florida.

The Mediterranean fruit fly is one of the most destructive pests of over 200 species of fruits, nuts, and vegetables, especially citrus and stone fruits. The pest can develop rapidly and spread easily, causing severe damage to entire citrus and other fruit and vegetable growing areas. At least 43 countries are known to regulate in some manner for the Mediterranean fruit fly.

As of June 2, 1997, an infestation of the Mediterranean fruit fly had been found in a portion of Hillsborough County, FL. The presence of this fruit fly in the continental United States could severely disrupt the fruit and vegetable industry due to the loss of export markets. The Florida agricultural industry, worth an estimated \$6 billion annually, is based on continued trade in international markets. According to industry sources, in 1996 the value of Florida citrus exports, in fresh and juice form, was estimated at approximately \$940 million.

In cooperation with the State of Florida, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) has initiated a program to eradicate this fruit fly infestation in Florida. The State of Florida is assisting APHIS in the funding of the program costs. However, APHIS resources are insufficient to meet the estimated \$2.1 million needed for the Federal share. In addition, some of these resources may be needed to fund other, small scale emergencies before the end of the year.

Therefore, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of September 25,

1981, 95 Stat. (7 U.S.C. 147b), I declare that there is an emergency which threatens the citrus and other fruit and vegetable growing industries of this country and hereby authorize the transfer and use of such funds as may be necessary from appropriations or other funds available to the agencies or corporations of the United States Department of Agriculture for the conduct of a program to detect and identify Mediterranean fruit fly infested areas, to control and prevent the spread of the Mediterranean fruit fly to noninfested areas in the United States, and to eradicate Mediterranean fruit fly wherever it may be found in the continental United States.

*Effective Date:* This declaration of emergency shall become effective June 20, 1997.

**Dan Glickman,**

*Secretary of Agriculture.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Rural Housing Service

### Rural Utilities Service

### Rural Business Service

### Farm Service Agency

#### Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Rural Housing Service, USDA.  
**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comments request.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Agency's intention to seek continued OMB approval for a currently approved information collection contained in 7 CFR 1927-B, Real Estate Title Clearance and Loan Closing.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by August 25, 1997, to be assured of consideration.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** E. Sue Smith, Senior Loan Specialist, Single Family Housing Processing Division, RHS, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Ag Stop 0783, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0783, Telephone (202) 690-4507.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Real Estate Title Clearance and Loan Closing.

*OMB Number:* 0575-0147.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* November 30, 1997.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

*Abstract:* Section 501 of Title V of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to extend financial assistance to construct, improve, alter, repair, replace or rehabilitate dwellings, farm buildings and/or related facilities to provide decent, safe, and sanitary living conditions and adequate farm buildings and other structures in rural areas. Title Clearance is required to assure the Agency(s) that the loan is legally secured and has the required lien priority.

The Agency will be collecting information to assure that those participating in this program remain eligible to proceed with loan closing and to ensure that loans made with Federal funds are legally secured. The respondents are individuals or households, farms, businesses, and non-profit institutions. The information required is used by Agency personnel to verify that the required lien position has been obtained. The information is collected at the field office responsible for processing a loan application through loan closing. The information is also used to insure the program is administered in a manner consistent with legislative and administrative requirements. If not collected, the Agency would be unable to determine if the loan is adequately and legally secured.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .23 per response.

*Respondents:* Individuals or households, Farms, Business, Non-Profit Institutions.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 70,000.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 5.81.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 96,780.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from the Barbara Williams, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, Support Services Division, at (202) 720-9734.

**Comments**

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 will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of Agencies' estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions 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 through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Barbara Williams, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, Support Services Division, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Stop 0743, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0743. 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.

Dated: June 16, 1997.

**Jan E. Shadburn,**

*Acting Administrator, Rural Housing Service.*

Dated: June 11, 1997.

**Bruce R. Weber,**

*Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****International Trade Administration****Export Trade Certificate of Review**

**ACTION:** Notice of Issuance of an Amended Export Trade Certificate of Review, Application No. 88-7A016.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce has issued an amendment to the Export Trade Certificate of Review granted to Wood Machinery Manufacturers of America ("WMMA") on February 3, 1989. Notice of issuance of the Certificate was published in the **Federal Register** on February 9, 1989 (54 FR 6312).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** W. Dawn Busby, Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, (202) 482-5131. This is not a toll-free number.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 (15 U.S.C. Sections 4001-21)

authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue Export Trade Certificates of Review. The regulations implementing Title III are found at 15 CFR Part 325 (1997).

The Office of Export Trading Company Affairs ("OETCA") is issuing this notice pursuant to 15 CFR 325.6(b), which requires the Department of Commerce to publish a summary of a Certificate in the **Federal Register**. Under Section 305(a) of the Act and 15 CFR 325.11(a), any person aggrieved by the Secretary's determination may, within 30 days of the date of this notice, bring an action in any appropriate district court of the United States to set aside the determination on the ground that the determination is erroneous.

**Description Of Amended Certificate:** Export Trade Certificate of Review No. 88-00016, was issued to Wood Machinery Manufacturers of America on February 3, 1989 (54 FR 6312, February 9, 1989) and previously amended on June 22, 1990 (55 FR 27292, July 2, 1990); August 20, 1991 (56 FR 42596, August 28, 1991); December 13, 1993 (58 FR 66344, December 20, 1993); August 23, 1994 (59 FR 44408, August 29, 1994); and September 20, 1996 (61 FR 50471).

**WMMA's Export Trade Certificate of Review has been amended to:** 1. Add the following company as a new "Member" of the Certificate within the meaning of section 325.2(1) of the Regulations (15 CFR 325.2(1)): CEMCO Inc., Whitesburg, Tennessee; and 2. Delete Mattison Machine Works, Rockford, Illinois as a "Member" of the Certificate.

A copy of the amended certificate will be kept in the International Trade Administration's Freedom of Information Records Inspection Facility, Room 4102, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Dated: June 20, 1997.

**W. Dawn Busby,**

*Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****International Trade Administration****North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Article 1904 Binational Panel Review: Notice of Termination of Panel Review**

**AGENCY:** NAFTA Secretariat, United States Section, International Trade

Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of Motion to Terminate the Panel Review of the final countervailing duty determination made by the International Trade Administration in the administrative review, respecting Pure and Alloy Magnesium From Canada (Secretariat File No. USA-97-1904-04).

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Notice of Motion to Terminate the Panel Review by the requestors, the panel review is terminated as of June 20, 1997. No complaints were filed pursuant to Rule 39, no Notices of Appearance were filed pursuant to Rule 40 and no panel has been appointed. Thus there are no "participants" in this review as defined in Rule 3 of the *Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Review*. Pursuant to Rule 71(2) of the *Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Review*, this panel review is terminated.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

James R. Holbein, United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat, Suite 2061, 14th and Constitution Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20230, (202) 482-5438.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Chapter 19 of the North American Free-Trade Agreement ("Agreement") establishes a mechanism to replace domestic judicial review of final determinations in antidumping and countervailing duty cases involving imports from a NAFTA country with review by independent binational panels. When a Request for Panel Review is filed, a panel is established to act in place of national courts to review expeditiously the final determination to determine whether it conforms with the antidumping or countervailing duty law of the country that made the determination.

Under Article 1904 of the Agreement, which came into force on January 1, 1994, the Government of the United States, the Government of Canada and the Government of Mexico established *Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews* ("Rules"). These Rules were published in the **Federal Register** on February 23, 1994 (59 FR 8686). The panel review in this matter was requested and terminated pursuant to these Rules.

Dated: June 20, 1997.

**James R. Holbein,**

*United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat.*

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