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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Food and Consumer Service

#### Collection Requirements Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; School Food Purchase Study

**AGENCY:** Food and Consumer Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Food and Consumer Service's (FCS) intention to request OMB review of the School Food Purchase Study.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by January 16, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding the accuracy of the burden estimate, ways to minimize the burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, or any other aspect of this collection of information to: Michael E. Fishman, Acting Director, Office of Analysis and Evaluation, Food and Consumer Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302.

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.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael E. Fishman, (703) 305-2117.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** The School Food Purchase Study.

**OMB Number:** Not yet assigned.

**Expiration Date:** N/A.

**Type of Request:** New collection of information.

**Abstract:** This study will provide statistically valid national estimates of the types, amounts, and costs of food acquired by local public school districts participating in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast

Program. The study will also examine the changes in the mix of foods acquired by schools since the last study of school food purchases (School Year 1984-85). In addition, the study will furnish the opportunity for schools to describe their food purchase practices so that information associated with food buying efficiency can be provided to other schools.

A nationally representative sample of 400 School Food Authorities (SFAs) will be scientifically selected and divided into four subsamples of 100 SFAs each. Each subgroup of 100 SFAs will provide source documents (vendor summaries, invoices, etc.) containing complete food purchase information for all food acquisitions made during one of four three-month periods. The quarterly sample design insures that data is collected across the entire school year and restricts the burden on any one school district to only three months of data collection. SFA food service directors will also be asked to describe school food purchase practices and school food service operations.

**Estimate of Burden:** Public reporting burden for the collection of food purchase information is estimated to average 12 hours for each SFA and 1 hour for the School Food Purchase Practices Questionnaire.

**Respondents:** The food service directors will be responsible for aggregating source documents for the food purchase data and responding to the School Food Purchase Practices Survey.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 400.

**Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:** One.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:** 5,200 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from John Endahl, Office of Analysis and Evaluation, Food and Consumer Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302.

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Administrator, Food and Consumer Service.

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### Rural Utilities Service

#### Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc.; Finding of No Significant Impact

**AGENCY:** Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) has made a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) with respect to the potential environmental impact related to the construction of a new headquarters facility proposed by Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc. (Tri-State), of Thornton, Colorado. The proposed project will be located on a site near the intersection of 116th Avenue and Huron Street in the Town of Westminster in Adams County, Colorado.

RUS has concluded that the environmental impacts from the proposed project would not be significant and that the proposed action is not a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Therefore, the preparation of an environmental impact statement is not required.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lawrence R. Wolfe, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist, Engineering and Environmental Staff, Ag Box 1569, South Agriculture Building, RUS, Washington, DC 20250, telephone: (202) 720-1784.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** RUS, in accordance with its environmental policies and procedures, required that Tri-State prepare a Borrower's Environmental Report (BER) reflecting the potential impacts of the proposed facilities. The BER, which includes input from Federal, State and local agencies and the public, has been adopted as RUS's Environmental Assessment for the project in accordance with 7 CFR 1794.61. RUS has concluded that the BER represents an accurate assessment of the environmental impacts of the project. The proposed project should have no impact on cultural resources, floodplains, wetlands, important farmland, and federally listed or proposed for listing threatened or endangered species or their critical habitat.