

is to prepare and issue State and national estimates of crop and livestock production, prices, and disposition. The Egg, Chicken, and Turkey Surveys obtain basic poultry statistics from voluntary cooperators throughout the Nation. Statistics are published on placement of pullet chicks for hatchery supply flocks; hatching reports for broiler-type, egg-type, and turkey eggs; number of layers on hand; total table egg production; and production and value estimates for eggs, chickens, and turkeys. The frequencies of the surveys being conducted include weekly, monthly, and annually. This information is used by producers, processors, feed dealers, and others in marketing and supply channels as a basis for production and marketing decisions. Government agencies use these estimates to evaluate poultry product supplies. The information is an important consideration in government purchases for the National School Lunch Program and in formulation of export-import policy. The current expiration date for this docket is January 31, 2019. NASS intends to request that the surveys be approved for another 3 years.

**Authority:** These data will be collected under the authority of 7 U.S.C. 2204(a). Individually identifiable data collected under this authority are governed by section 1770 of the Food Security Act of 1985 as amended, 7 U.S.C. 2276, which requires USDA to afford strict confidentiality to non-aggregated data provided by respondents. This notice is submitted in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*), and Office of Management and Budget regulations at 5 CFR part 1320.

NASS also complies with OMB Implementation Guidance, "Implementation Guidance for Title V of the E-Government Act, Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (CIPSEA)," **Federal Register**, Vol. 72, No. 115, June 15, 2007, p. 33362.

**Estimate of Burden:** Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated between 8 and 35 minutes per respondent per survey. Additional burden is allowed for the inclusion of publicity materials and instructions on how to respond to the surveys via the internet.

**Respondents:** Farmers, ranchers, farm managers, and farm contractors.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 2,500.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:** 2,900 hours. This will include burden for both the initial

mailing and phone follow-up to non-respondents, as well as publicity and instruction materials mailed out with questionnaires.

**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 the agency's 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, through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, technological, or other forms of information technology collection methods.

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

Signed at Washington, DC, August 23, 2018.

**Kevin L. Barnes,**

*Associate Administrator.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Rural Utilities Service**

**Publication of Depreciation Rates**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Depreciation Rates for Telecommunications Plant.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Utilities Service (RUS) administers rural utilities programs, including the Telecommunications Program. RUS announces the depreciation rates for telecommunications plant for the period ending December 31, 2017.

**DATES:** These rates are applicable immediately and will remain in effect until rates are available for the period ending December 31, 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chad Parker, Assistant Administrator, Telecommunications Program, Rural Utilities Service, STOP 1590—Room 5151, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-1590. Telephone: (202) 720-9556.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In 7 CFR part 1737, Pre-Loan Policies and Procedures Common to Insured and Guaranteed Telecommunications Loans, § 1737.70(e) explains the depreciation

rates that are used by RUS in its feasibility studies. § 1737.70(e)(2) refers to median depreciation rates published by RUS for all borrowers. The following chart provides those rates, compiled by RUS, for the reporting period ending December 31, 2017:

**MEDIAN DEPRECIATION RATES OF RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE BORROWERS BY EQUIPMENT CATEGORY FOR PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017**

Telecommunications plant category	Depreciation rate
1. Land and Support Assets:	
a. Motor vehicles .....	16.50
b. Aircraft .....	10.05
c. Special purpose vehicles ..	12.00
d. Garage and other work equipment .....	10.00
e. Buildings .....	3.30
f. Furniture and office equipment .....	10.00
g. General purpose computers .....	20.00
2. Central Office Switching:	
a. Digital .....	9.37
b. Analog & Electro-mechanical .....	10.00
c. Operator Systems .....	9.30
3. Central Office Transmission:	
a. Radio Systems .....	10.00
b. Circuit equipment .....	10.00
4. Information origination/termination:	
a. Station apparatus .....	12.00
b. Customer premises wiring .....	10.00
c. Large private branch exchanges .....	11.40
d. Public telephone terminal equipment .....	11.95
e. Other terminal equipment .....	10.00
5. Cable and wire facilities:	
a. Aerial cable—poles .....	6.19
b. Aerial cable—metal .....	6.00
c. Aerial cable—fiber .....	5.10
d. Underground cable—metal .....	5.00
e. Underground cable—fiber .....	5.00
f. Buried cable—metal .....	5.15
g. Buried cable—fiber .....	5.00
h. Conduit systems .....	4.00
i. Other .....	5.00

**Christopher A. McLean,**

*Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.*

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**BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**Sunshine Act Meetings**

**TIME AND DATE:** Wednesday, September 5, 2018, 10:30 a.m. ET.

**PLACE:** Cohen Building, Room 3321, 330 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20237.

**STATUS:** This meeting will be open to the public.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Broadcasting Board of Governors (Board) will be meeting at the time and location listed above. The Board will vote on a consent agenda consisting of the minutes of its June 6, 2018 meeting and a resolution honoring the 55th anniversary of Voice of America's English to Africa Service. The Board will receive a report from the Chief Executive Officer and Director of BBG.

This meeting will be available for public observation via streamed webcast, both live and on-demand, on the agency's public website at [www.bbg.gov](http://www.bbg.gov). Information regarding this meeting, including any updates or adjustments to its starting time, can also be found on the agency's public website.

The public may also attend this meeting in person at the address listed above as seating capacity permits. Members of the public seeking to attend the meeting in person must register at <https://bbgboardmeetingsept2018.eventbrite.com> by 12:00 p.m. (ET) on September 4. For more information, please contact BBG Public Affairs at (202) 203-4400 or by email at [pubaff@bbg.gov](mailto:pubaff@bbg.gov).

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Persons interested in obtaining more information should contact Oanh Tran at (202) 203-4545.

**Oanh Tran,**  
Managing Director.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Membership of the Departmental Performance Review Board

**AGENCY:** Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of membership on the Departmental Performance Review Board.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (DOC) announces the appointment of those individuals who have been selected to serve as members of the Departmental Performance Review Board. The Performance Review Board is responsible for reviewing performance appraisals and ratings of Senior Executive Service (SES) members and making recommendations to the appointing authority on other performance management issues, such as pay adjustments, bonuses and Presidential Rank Awards. The appointment of these members to the

Performance Review Board will be for a period of twenty-four (24) months.

**DATES:** The period of appointment for those individuals selected for the Departmental Performance Review Board begins on August 31, 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christi Casiano, U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of Human Resources Management, Office of Executive Resources, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Room 51010, Washington, DC 20230, at (202) 482-0124.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4), the Department of Commerce (DOC), announces the appointment of those individuals who have been selected to serve as members of the Departmental Performance Review Board. The Performance Review Board is responsible for (1) reviewing performance appraisals and ratings of Senior Executive Service (SES) members and (2) making recommendations to the appointing authority on other performance management issues, such as pay adjustments, bonuses and Presidential Rank Awards. The appointment of these members to the Performance Review Board will be for a period of twenty-four (24) months.

The name, position title, and type of appointment of each member of the Performance Review Board are set forth below:

1. Jon Alexander, Deputy Director, Financial Management Systems, Career SES
2. Lisa Blumerman, Chief, Office of Survey and Census Analytics, Career SES
3. Gregory Brown, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Administration Officer, Career SES
4. Renee Macklin, Director of Information Technology for Enterprise Services, Career SES
5. Jeremy Pelter, Chief Financial Officer and Director of Administration, Career SES
6. Stephen Renna, Director, Advocacy Center, Noncareer SES
7. Joseph Semsar, Senior Advisor, Noncareer SES

**Christi Casiano,**

*HR Specialist, Office of Executive Resources, Office of Human Resources Management, Office of the Secretary/Office of the CFO/ASA, Department of Commerce.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[S-134-2018]

#### Foreign-Trade Zone 259—Koochiching County, Minnesota; Application for Subzone; Digi-Key Corporation; Thief River Falls, Minnesota

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board by the Koochiching Economic Development Authority, grantee of FTZ 259, requesting subzone status for the facilities of Digi-Key Corporation, located in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally docketed on August 24, 2018.

The proposed subzone would consist of the following sites: *Site 1* (130.7 acres) 701 Brooks Avenue, Thief River Falls, Pennington County; and *Site 2* (4.19 acres) 121 Arnold Avenue, Thief River Falls, Pennington County. A notification of proposed production activity has been submitted and will be published separately for public comment under 15 CFR 400.37. The proposed subzone would be subject to the existing activation limit of FTZ 259.

In accordance with the FTZ Board's regulations, Elizabeth Whiteman of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to review the application and make recommendations to the Executive Secretary.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is October 10, 2018. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to October 25, 2018.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230-0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the FTZ Board's website, which is accessible via [www.trade.gov/ftz](http://www.trade.gov/ftz).

For further information, contact Elizabeth Whiteman at [Elizabeth.Whiteman@trade.gov](mailto:Elizabeth.Whiteman@trade.gov) or (202) 482-0473.