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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

April 19, 2022.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments are requested regarding; 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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 regarding this information collection received by May 23, 2022 will be considered. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it

displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Food and Nutrition Service

Title: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Mobile Payment Pilots (MPPs).

OMB Control Number: 0584–NEW.

Summary of Collection: Title 7 Section 2016(h)(14) of the U.S. Code, as amended by Section 4006(e) of the Agricultural Act of 2018 (Pub. L. 115–334), requires the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to authorize the use of mobile payment technology for accessing Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits through smart phones, tablets, and other personal mobile devices in place of Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards.

Need and Use of the Information: FNS plans to issue a Request for Volunteers (RFV) soliciting MPPs proposals from up to 53 SNAP State agencies; and, approve up to five (5) of those State agencies that, in partnership with private, for-profit, EBT stakeholders and authorized SNAP retailers, will implement MPPs that test the use of mobile payment technology by SNAP households to access and redeem program benefits.

FNS must evaluate the data and observations collected and determine whether it is feasible to implement this technology nation-wide, whether further study is required before doing so, or if implementation is not in the best interest of the program, and submit report to report to Congress with the basis of its findings. This information collection is necessary because Congress has specifically mandated that approval and subsequent evaluation of MPPs by State agencies must occur before FNS can fulfill its broader statutory obligations to allow mobile payment technology in SNAP nation-wide.

Description of Respondents: (53) State, Local or Tribal Government (212) Business-for-profit; and (25,000) Individuals/Households.

Number of Respondents: 25,265.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Once, Annually, On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 77,235.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

USDA Equity Commission

AGENCY: USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public and virtual meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that a public meeting of the USDA Equity Commission (EC or Commission) and Subcommittee for Agriculture will convene to continue its work reviewing USDA programs, services, and policies for the purpose of making recommendations for how the Department can improve access and advance equity. The Commission and Subcommittee are authorized under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, (the Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended.

DATES: The EC meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 10 through Wednesday, May 11, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day.

Meeting Access: The public can participate via a zoom meeting link. Access information will be provided to registered individuals via email. Detailed information can be found at: <https://www.usda.gov/equity-commission>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cecilia Hernandez, Designated Federal Officer, USDA Equity Commission, Office of the Deputy Secretary, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 6006–S, Washington, DC 20250–0235; Phone:(202) 913–5907; Email: Equitycommission@usda.gov.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the FCC Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) at 7–1–1 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 20, 2021, President Biden signed an Executive Order On Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government and committed to creating the USDA Equity Commission as part of his rural agenda and commitment to closing the racial

wealth gap and addressing longstanding inequities in agriculture. Section 1006 of the American Rescue Plan directed USDA to create the Equity Commission and provided funds sufficient to ensure the Commission is well staffed and positioned to deliver on its charge.

The USDA Equity Commission will advise the Secretary of Agriculture and provide USDA with an analysis of how its programs, policies, systems, structures, and practices contribute to barriers to inclusion or access, systemic discrimination, or exacerbate or perpetuate racial, economic, health and social disparities and recommendations for action. The Agriculture Subcommittee reports to the Equity Commission and provides recommendations on issues of concern related to agriculture. Subsequent subcommittees will focus on other policy areas, such as rural community and economic development. The Equity Commission will deliver an interim report and provide actionable recommendations no later than 12 months after inception. A final report will be completed by the Summer of 2023.

Meeting Agenda: The agenda items may include, but are not limited to, welcome and introductions; administrative matters; updates from the Equity Commission, Agriculture Subcommittee and USDA staff; plans for the new Rural Community Economic Development Subcommittee, for developing the EC interim report and next steps. Please check the USDA Equity Commission website (<https://www.usda.gov/equity-commission>) for an agenda 24–48 hours prior to May 10.

Register for the Meeting: The public is asked to pre-register for the meeting by visiting <https://www.usda.gov/equity-commission>. Your pre-registration must state: Your name; organization or interest represented; if you are planning to give oral comments; and if you require special accommodations. USDA will also accept day-of registrations.

Oral Comments: The Commission is providing the public an opportunity to provide oral comments and will accommodate as many individuals and organizations as time permits. Persons or organizations wishing to make oral comments must pre-register by 11:59 p.m. ET, May 2, 2022, and may only register for one speaking slot. Participants who wish to make oral comments must also be available to attend a tech-check the day before the meeting. Instructions for registering and participating in the meeting can be found on <https://www.usda.gov/equity-commission>.

Written Comments: Written public comments for consideration at the meeting will be accepted on or before 11:59 p.m. ET, May 2. Comments submitted after this date will be provided to USDA, but the Commission may not have adequate time to consider those comments prior to the meeting. The USDA Equity Commission strongly prefers comments be submitted electronically. However, written comments may also be submitted (*i.e.*, postmarked) via mail to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by or before the deadline. Written comments will be accepted up to 15 days after the meeting.

Availability of Materials for the Meeting: All written public comments received by May 25, 2022, will be compiled into a file and available for member review and be included in the meeting minutes. Duplicate comments from multiple individuals will appear as one comment, with a notation that multiple copies of the comment were received. Please visit <https://www.usda.gov/equity-commission> to view the agenda and/or minutes from this meeting.

Meeting Accommodations: USDA is committed to making its electronic and information technologies accessible to individuals with disabilities by meeting or exceeding the requirements of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act (29 U.S.C. 794d), as amended. If you need reasonable accommodations, please make requests in advance for reasonable accommodations through the meeting registration link on <https://www.usda.gov/equity-commission>. Determinations for reasonable accommodations will be made on a case-by-case basis.

Dated: April 18, 2022.

Cikena Reid,

USDA Committee Management Officer.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the New York Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, that

the New York Advisory Committee (Committee) will hold web meetings via WebEx at 1:00 p.m. ET on Friday, May 20, 2022, Friday, June 17, 2022, and Friday, July 15, 2022, for the purpose of discussing civil rights topics for their next project.

DATES: The meetings will be held on the following dates/times: Friday, May 20, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. ET, Friday, June 17, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. ET, and July 15, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. ET.

—To join the meeting, please click the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/3efrtr3d>; Password: USCCR

—To join by phone only, dial: 800-360-9505; Access Code: 2762 833 1443

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ana Fortes, DFO, at afortes@usccr.gov or 202-519-2938.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the public can listen to the discussion. This meeting is available to the public through the following toll-free call-in number. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. The conference operator will ask callers to identify themselves, the organizations they are affiliated with (if any), and an email address prior to placing callers into the conference call. Callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free telephone number. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and conference ID number. To request additional accommodations, please email afortes@usccr.gov at least 7 days prior to the meeting for which accommodations are requested.

Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be emailed to Ana Fortes at afortes@usccr.gov in the Regional Programs Unit Office/Advisory Committee Management Unit. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Unit at 312-353-8311.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Unit Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available at www.facadatase.gov