and FCS–663, Commodity Acceptability Report. Additionally, comments are requested with regard to other program reporting requirements that do not require specific forms. Examples include, but are not limited to the submission of State plans, applications by local agencies, and audit responses.

Comments are also requested regarding the following changes in the reporting and recordkeeping burden requirements:

An adjustment in the reporting and recordkeeping requirements as a result of the publication of the proposed rule ''Food Distribution Programs—Reduction of the Paperwork Burden'', on March 14, 1997 (62 FR 12108), and a final rule entitled ''Food Assistance in Disaster and Distress Situations'' (62 FR 8361) which was published on February 25, 1997.

A reduction in the frequency in which State plans must be submitted in the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP). This change resulted from the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1966 (P.L. 104–193) which now requires that plans be submitted every four years rather than annually.

A reduction in burden hours resulting from the discontinuance of processing bonus commodities under the National Commodity Processing (NCP) system. Although NCP was reauthorized through Fiscal Year 2002 by Section 405 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, P.L. 104–127, the availability of bonus commodities is greatly reduced and not expected to be available for processing under NCP in the near future.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes or less to 150 hours per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data sources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection.

Respondents: Distributing agencies, subdistributing agencies, and recipient agencies; warehouses, food storage facilities, and transportation companies; commodity food processors and food service management companies.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 396,893 respondents.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 2.3.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 918,862.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 1,157,508 hours.

Dated: July 3, 1997.

William E. Ludwig,

Administrator, Food and Consumer Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Consumer Service

Food Distribution Program: Value of Donated Foods From July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998

AGENCY: Food and Consumer Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the value of donated foods or, where applicable, cash in lieu thereof to be provided in the 1998 school year for each lunch served by schools participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) or by commodity only schools and for each lunch and supper served by institutions participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Henigan, Chief, Schools and Institutions Branch, Food Distribution Division, Food and Consumer Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, Virginia 22302 or telephone (703) 305–2644.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These programs are listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under Nos. 10.550, 10.555, and 10.558 and are subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials. (See 7 CFR part 3015, subpart V, and final rule related notice published at 48 FR 29114, June 24, 1983.)

This notice imposes no new reporting or recordkeeping provisions that are subject to Office of Management and Budget review in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507). This action is not a rule as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601–612) and thus is exempt from the provisions of that Act. This notice has been determined to be exempt under Executive Order 12866.

National Average Minimum Value of Donated Foods for the Period July 1, 1997 Through June 30, 1998

This notice implements mandatory provisions of sections 6(e), 14(f) and 17(h)(1) (B) of the National School Lunch Act (the Act) (42 U.S.C. 1755(e), 1762a(f), and 1766(h)(1)(B)). Section 6(e)(1)(A) of the Act establishes the national average value of donated food assistance to be given to States for each lunch served in NSLP at 11.00 cents per meal. Pursuant to section 6(e)(1)(B), this amount is subject to annual adjustments as of July 1 of each year to reflect changes in a three-month average value of the Price Index for Food Used in Schools and Institutions for March, April, and May each year. Section 17(h)(1) of the Act provides that the same value of donated foods (or cash in lieu of donated foods) for school lunches shall also be established for lunches and suppers served in the Child and Adult Care Food Program. Notice is hereby given that the national average minimum value of donated foods, or cash in lieu thereof, per lunch under NSLP (7 CFR Part 210) and per lunch and supper under the Child and Adult Care Food Program (7 CFR Part 226) shall be 15.00 cents for the period July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998.

The Price Index for Food Used in Schools and Institutions (Price Index) is computed using five major food components in the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Producer Price Index (cereal and bakery products; meats, poultry and fish; dairy products; processed fruits and vegetables; and fats and oils). Each component is weighed using the same relative weight as determined by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The value of food assistance is adjusted each July 1 by the annual percentage change in a three-month average value of the Price Index for March, April and May each year. The three-month average of the Price Index increased by 2.25 percent from 127.40 for March, April and May of 1996 to 130.18 for the same three months in 1997. When computed on the basis of unrounded data and rounded to the nearest one-quarter cent, the resulting national average for the period July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998 will be 15.00 cents per meal. This is an increase of 0.50 cents from the school year 1997 rate.

Section 14(f) of the Act provides that commodity only schools shall be eligible to receive donated foods equal in value to the sum of the national average value of donated foods established under section 6(e) of the Act and the national average payment established under section 4 of the Act (42 U.S.C. 1753). Such schools are eligible to receive up to 5 cents per meal of this value in cash for processing and handling expenses related to the use of such commodities.

Commodity only schools are defined in section 12(d)(2) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 1760(d)(2)) as ''schools that do not

participate in the school lunch program under this Act, but which receive commodities made available by the Secretary for use by such schools in nonprofit lunch programs.''

For the 1998 school year, commodity only schools shall be eligible to receive donated food assistance valued at 33.00 cents for each paid lunch served, and 33.25 cents for each free and reduced price lunch served. This amount is based on the sum of the section 6(e) level of assistance announced in this notice and the adjusted section 4 minimum national average payment factor for school year 1998. The section 4 factor for commodity only schools does not include the two cents per lunch increase for schools where 60 percent of the lunches served in the school lunch program in the second preceding school year were served free or at reduced prices, because that increase is applicable only to schools participating in the NSLP.

Section 103 of the Healthy Meals for Healthy Americans Act of 1994, (Public Law 103–448) amended section 6 of the NSL Act by adding a new paragraph (g), which mandates that not less than 12 percent of the assistance provided under sections 4, 6, and 11 of the Act be in the form of commodity assistance, including cash in lieu of commodities and administrative costs for commodity procurement of commodities under section 6. In school year 1997, the announced rate generated commodity assistance at a level that exceeded the 12-percent mandate. In the event that the rate of $.1500 announced in this Notice fails to meet the 12-percent requirement, the rate will be retroactively adjusted upward, and the additional commodities will be delivered to States during the first quarter of the next school year.

Authority: Sections 6(e)(1)(A) and (B), 14(f) and 17(h)(1) (B) of the National School Lunch Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1755(e)(1)(A) and (B), 1762a(f), and 1766(h)(1)(B)).

Dated: July 9, 1997.

Willliam E. Ludwig,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (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 of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Title: Antarctic Marine Living Resource Conservation and Management Measures.

Agency Form Number: None.

OMB Approval Number: 0648–0194.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 35 hours.

Number of Respondents: 5 (multiple responses).

Avg. Hours Per Response: Ranges between 2 minutes and 28 hours depending on the requirement.

Needs and Uses: Pursuant to the Antarctic Marine Living Resources Act, participants in certain Antarctic fisheries must obtain harvesting permits. Persons importing Antarctic marine living resources must obtain an import permit and submit import tickets. These requirements are necessary to meet U.S. treaty obligations.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Annually and on occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395–3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482–3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: July 9, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (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 of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Northeast Multispecies Gillnet and Cod Requirements.

Agency Form Number: None.

OMB Approval Number: 0648–0326.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 1,999 hours.

Number of Respondents: 2,500 (multiple responses).

Avg. Hours Per Response: Varies between 1 and 5 minutes depending on the requirement.

Needs and Uses: In February, 1997, the New England Fishery Management Council requested that the National Marine Fisheries Service implement as a final rule management measures associated with Framework 20 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan. The purpose of the Plan is to rebuild seriously depleted stocks. A number of specific information requirements are contained in Framework 20. These measures require that multispecies gillnet vessels select to fish under a ''Day gillnet'' and ''Trip gillnet'' category designation; adds effort reduction requirements for Day gillnet vessels—a requirement to take 120 days out of the gillnet fishery, and the requirement to request tags for, and tag, gillnets; and includes a call in requirement for vessels.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations and individuals.

Frequency: Annually and on occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395–3897.

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Dated: July 9, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (DOC) has submitted to the Office of