Respondents: States, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per respondent	Total burden hours
TANF High Performance Bonus Report (ACF–200)	54	4	14	3,024
Emergency TANF Data Report (ACF–198)	17	4	218.5	14,858

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 17,882.

Note: Competition for a High Performance Bonus is optional. This estimate assumes that all 50 States, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands would apply and be required to submit the TANF High Performance Bonus Report; however, only those competing jurisdictions operating separate State programs comparable to TANF would be required to submit the Emergency TANF Data Report for those separate State programs; those competing jurisdictions where the separate State programs are not comparable to the TANF program or would be required to submit other supplement data.

Additional Information

ACF is requesting that OMB grant a 180 day approval for this information collection under procedures for emergency processing by June 1, 1998. A copy of this information collection, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Administration for Children and Families, Acting Reports Clearance Officer, Bob Sargis at (202) 690–7275.

Comments and questions about the information collection described above should be directed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs prior to June 1, 1998, Attn: OMB Desk Officer of ACF, Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, 725 17th Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503, (202) 690–7275.

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Bob Sargis,

Acting Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 97N–0451]

Microbial Safety of Produce; Notice of Public Meetings

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing three public meetings to discuss the President's initiative to ensure the safety of imported and domestic fruits and vegetables and other foods, and specifically the microbial safety of produce. The meetings are intended to give an overview of, and obtain comment on, the general draft guide entitled ''Guidance for Industry: Guide to Minimize Microbial Food Safety Hazards for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables'' (the proposed guide). One of the meetings will focus primarily on obtaining comment from the international audience.

DATES: See Table 1 in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the meetings and on the proposed guide to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 12420 Parklawn Dr., rm. 1–23, Rockville, MD 20857. Submit written requests for single copies of the proposed guide to Lou Carson, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, 200 C St. SW., rm. 3812, Washington, DC 20204, 202–260–8920. Send one self-adhesive address label to assist that office in processing your request. Comments on the meetings or on the proposed guide should be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

The meetings will be at the addresses and on the dates listed in Table 1. Registration is not required.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Camille E. Brewer, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS–32), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202–260–1784, FAX 202–260–9653, e-mail cbrewer@bangate.fda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On October 2, 1997, the President announced the ''Initiative to Ensure the Safety of Imported and Domestic Fruits and Vegetables'' (fresh produce safety initiative). As part of the fresh produce safety initiative, the President directed the Secretary of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), in cooperation with the agricultural community, to issue, within 1 year, guidance on good agricultural practices and good manufacturing practices for fresh fruits and vegetables. FDA is coordinating the effort for DHHS.

As part of this effort, FDA and USDA held a series of public meetings between November 17, 1997, and December 12, 1997, to provide the details on a broad approach on how to minimize microbial contamination through the control of water, manure, worker health and hygiene, field and facility sanitation, and transportation. A draft guide entitled ''Working Draft: Guide to Minimize Microbial Food Safety Hazards for Fresh Fruit and Vegetables'' was made available on FDA's World Wide Web (WWW) home page (http://www.fda.gov) and at each public meeting. Transcripts of these meetings and all comments received on the working draft of the proposed guide are on file in the Dockets Management Branch (address above) under the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document and are accessible via the FDA home page on the WWW (http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets/default.htm).

In the **Federal Register** of April 13, 1998 (63 FR 18029), FDA published a notice of availability of the proposed guide that responded to comments received on the working draft of the guide. The revised draft entitled ''Guidance for Industry: Guide to Minimize Microbial Food Safety Hazards for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables'' is available on the FDA home page on the WWW (http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets/default.htm).

The public meetings will include an overview of the President's fresh produce safety initiative and a review of the proposed guide. The meetings are intended to obtain comment on the specific recommendations made in the

proposed guide and how the recommendations might best be applied.

II. Requests for Comments

Interested persons may submit written comments on the meetings and on the proposed guide to the Dockets Management Branch (address above). Two copies of any comments are to be submitted except that individuals may submit one copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. A copy of the proposed guide and received comments are available for public examination in the office above between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

III. Transcripts

Transcripts of the meetings may be requested in writing from the Freedom of Information Office (HFI–35), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, rm. 12A–16, Rockville, MD 20857, approximately 15 working days after each meeting at a cost of 10 cents per page. The transcripts of the meetings will be available for public examination at the Dockets Management Branch (address above).

Persons requiring a sign language interpreter or other special accommodations should notify the contact person referenced above by February 19, 1998.

IV. Electronic Access

Transcripts of the meetings will be available on the Internet using the WWW (http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets/default.htm). The proposed guide is available at the same address.

Table 1.—Public Meetings

Meeting address	Date and local time	FDA contact person
WASHINGTON, DC: Department of Health and Human Services, Hubert Humphrey Bldg., rm. 800, 200 and Independence Ave., Washington, DC 20201.	May 19, 1998, Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Marilyn Veek, Food and Drug Administration, Office of International Affairs (HFG–1), 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–0906
MIAMI: Miami Dade County Cooperative Extension Service Agriculture Center,18710 SW. 288th St., Homestead, FL 33033.	May 21, 1998, Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Estela Niella-Brown, Food and Drug Administration, P.O. Box 59–2256, Miami, FL 33159–2256, 305–526–2800, ext. 930.
SAN DIEGO: Malcolm X Branch Library Multipurpose Room, 5148 Market St., San Diego, CA 92114.	May 27, 1998, Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Rosario Quintanilla Vior, Food and Drug Administration, 19900 MacArthur Blvd., suite 300, Irvine, CA 92612–2445, 714–798–7607.

Dated: May 1, 1998.

William K. Hubbard,

Associate Commissioner for Policy Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Surveillance Updates and Trends; Notice of Workshops

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA), (Office of Regulatory Affairs, Atlanta and Florida District Offices, and the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research) is announcing two Workshops entitled ''Surveillance Updates and Trends,'' for persons involved in licensed and unlicensed blood banks, plasma centers, and transfusion services served by FDA's Southeast Regional Office. The purpose of these workshops is to provide industry with information regarding regulations, surveillance updates, and trends on error and accident reporting, recalls, and fatalities.

Date and Time: The workshops will be held on Tuesday, June 23, 1998, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Doraville, GA (Atlanta area), and on Thursday, June 25, 1998, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Altamonte Springs, FL (Orlando area).

Location: On June 23, 1998, the workshop will be held at the Ramada Plaza Hotel, 4001 Presidential Pkwy., Doraville, GA, 770–216–9500. On June 25, 1998, the workshop will be held at the Orlando North Hilton, 350 S. North Lake Blvd., Altamonte Springs, FL, 407–830–1985.

Contact: Barbara Ward-Groves, Food and Drug Administration, 60 Eighth St. NE., Atlanta GA 30309, 404–347–4001, ext. 5256, FAX 404–347–4349, or Sharon Schneider, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration (HFM–43), 1401 Rockville Pike, suite 200N, Rockville, MD 20852–1448, 301–827–3840, FAX 301–827–3843.

Registration: For the June 23, 1998, Atlanta area workshop, fax registration information (including name, title, firm name, address, telephone, and fax number) to Vincent Williams, Registration Coordinator at 404–347–1913 or 404–347–4206 by May 15, 1998. For the June 25, 1998, Orlando area workshop, fax registration information (including name, title, firm name, address, telephone, and fax number) to Ron Jackson, Registration Coordinator at 407–475–4768 by May 15, 1998. There is no registration fee for these workshops. Space is limited; therefore, interested parties are encouraged to register early.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These workshops comply with the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (Pub. L. 104–121) that requires outreach activities by Government agencies directed to small businesses. These workshops are intended to provide an exchange of information between FDA and the biologics industry on updates and trend information regarding surveillance functions. The topics to be discussed include the following: (1) The current regulation and proposed rule for error and accident reporting; (2) recall definitions, i.e., differences between FDA and firm-initiated recalls, and (3) the current regulation for reporting fatalities, to include information pertaining to the investigative followup. Trend information will identify the types of events occurring in the past few years in each of the above three areas.

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