DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Multi-Family Housing Program 2011 Industry Forums—Open Teleconference and/or Web Conference Meetings

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service, USDA. ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice announces a series of teleconference and/or Web conference meetings regarding the USDA Multi-Family Housing Program. The teleconference and/or Web conference meetings will be scheduled on a quarterly basis, but may be held monthly at the Agency’s discretion. Teleconference and/or Web conference meetings are scheduled to occur during the months of January, April, July, and October of 2011. This Notice also outlines suggested discussion topics for the meetings and is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to participate in the teleconference and/or Web conference meetings.

DATES: The dates and times for the teleconference and/or Web conference meetings will be announced via e-mail to parties registered as described below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public wishing to register for the meetings and obtain the call-in number, access code, Web link and other information for any of the public teleconference and/or Web conference meetings may contact Sandra Mercier, Multifamily Housing Operations and Asset Management Division, telephone: (202) 720–1617, fax: (202) 720–0302, or e-mail: Sandra.mercier@wdc.usda.gov. Those who request registration less than 15 calendar days prior to the date of a teleconference may not receive notice of that teleconference, but will receive notices of future teleconferences. The Agency expects to accommodate each participant’s preferred form of participation by telephone or via Web link. However, if it appears that existing capabilities may prevent the Agency from accommodating all requests for one form of participation, each participant will be notified and encouraged to consider an alternative form of participation.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The objectives of this series of informational teleconferences are as follows:

- Enhance the effectiveness of the Multi-Family Housing Program.
- Enhance RHS’ awareness of issues that impact the Multi-Family Housing Program.
- Increase transparency and accountability in the Multi-Family Housing Program.

Topics to be discussed could include but will not be limited to the following:

- Updates on USDA Multi-Family Housing Program activities.
- Feedback from participants on the Multi-Family Notice of Funds Availability processes.
- Comments on Section 514/516 and Section 515 transaction processes.
- Comments on particular servicing-related activities of interest at that time.


Tammye Trevino, Administrator, Rural Housing Service.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Census Bureau

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) Wave 10 of the 2008 Panel

AGENCY: U.S. Census Bureau, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before February 22, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at DHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Patrick J. Benton, Census Bureau, Room HQ–6H045, Washington, DC 20233–8400, (301) 763–4618.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau conducts the SIPP, which is a household-based survey designed as a continuous series of national panels. New panels are introduced every few years with each panel having durations of one to six years. Respondents are interviewed at 4-month intervals or “waves” over the life of the panel. The survey is molded around a central “core” of labor force and income questions that remain fixed throughout the life of the panel. The core is supplemented with questions designed to address specific needs, such as obtaining information on household members’ participation in government programs as well as prior labor force patterns of household members. These supplemental questions are included with the core and are referred to as “topical modules.”

The SIPP represents a source of information for a wide variety of topics and allows information for separate topics to be integrated to form a single, unified database so that the interaction between tax, transfer, and other government and private policies can be examined. Government domestic-policy formulators depend heavily upon the SIPP information concerning the distribution of income received directly as money or indirectly as in-kind benefits and the effect of tax and transfer programs on this distribution. They also need improved and expanded data on the income and general economic and financial situation of the U.S. population. The SIPP has provided these kinds of data on a continuing basis since 1983 permitting levels of economic well-being and changes in these levels to be measured over time.

The 2008 panel is currently scheduled for approximately 6 years and will include 17 waves of interviewing beginning in September 2008. Approximately 65,300 households were selected for the 2008 panel, of which 42,032 households were interviewed. We estimate that each household contains 2.1 people, yielding 88,267 person-level interviews in Wave 1 and subsequent waves. Interviews take 30 minutes on average. Three waves will occur in the 2008 SIPP Panel during FY 2011. The total annual burden for 2008 Panel SIPP interviews would be 132,400 hours in FY 2011.

The topical modules for the 2008 Panel Wave 10 collect information about:

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