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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCIES: Rural Housing Service (RHS), Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBS), and Farm Service Agency (FSA), USDA.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comments requested.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the above-named Agencies to request an extension for a currently approved information collection in support of debt settlement of Community and Business Programs Loans.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by August 14, 2000, to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For inquiries on the Information Collection Package, contact Tracy Gillin, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, (202) 692-0039. For program content, contact Joseph Ben-Israel, Senior Loan Specialist, Community Programs, RHS, USDA, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Mail Stop 0787, Washington, DC 20250-0787, Telephone (202) 720-1490, E-mail jbenisra@rdmail.rural.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 7 CFR part 1956, subpart C Debt Settlement-Community and Business Programs.

OMB Number: 0575-0124.

Expiration Date of Approval: August 31, 2000.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The following Community and Business Programs loans and grants

are debt settled by this currently approved docket (0575-0124). The Community Facilities loan and grant program is authorized by Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1926) to make loans to public entities, nonprofit corporations, and Indian tribes for the development of essential community facilities primarily serving rural residents.

The Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, title 3 (Pub. L. 88-452), authorizes Economic Opportunity Cooperative loans to assist incorporated and unincorporated associations to provide low-income rural families essential processing, purchasing, or marketing services, supplies, or facilities.

The Food Security Act of 1985, section 1323 (Pub. L. 99-198), authorizes loan guarantees and grants to Nonprofit National Corporations to provide technical and financial assistance to for-profit or nonprofit local businesses in rural areas.

The Business and Industry program is authorized by section 310 B (7 U.S.C. 1932) (Pub. L. 92-419, August 30, 1972) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to improve, develop, or finance business, industry, and employment and improve the economic and environmental climate in rural communities, including pollution abatement and control.

The Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, section 310 B(c) (7 U.S.C. 1932(c)), authorizes Rural Business Enterprise Grants to public bodies and nonprofit corporations to facilitate the development of private businesses in rural areas.

The Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, section 310 B(f)(i) (7 U.S.C. 1932(c)), authorized Rural Cooperative Development Grants to nonprofit institutions for the purpose of enabling such institutions to establish and operate centers for rural cooperative development.

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) is authorized by 25 U.S.C. sections 488-494, to make loans through its Indian tribal land loan program to individuals, tribes, or tribal corporations within tribal reservations and Alaskan communities. The authority for FSA to make loans for grazing, irrigation and drainage, and farm ownership recreation loans is provided by the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1926 sections 330-381).

The purpose of the debt settlement function for the above programs is to provide the delinquent client with an equitable tool for the compromise, adjustment, cancellation, or charge-off of a debt owed to the Agency. The information collected is similar to that required by a commercial lender in similar circumstances.

Information will be collected by the field offices from applicants, borrowers, consultants, lenders, and attorneys.

Failure to collect information could result in improper servicing of these loans.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 8.08 hours per response.

Respondents: Public bodies and nonprofit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 14.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 5.5.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 622 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Tracy Gillin, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, (202) 692-0039.

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, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Tracy Gillin, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, STOP 0742, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 24, 2000.

James C. Kearney,

Administrator, Rural Housing Service.

Dated: May 10, 2000.

Dayton J. Watkins,

Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service.

Dated: May 23, 2000.

Keith Kelly,

Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1100]

Grant of Authority for Subzone Status; Imaton Corporation (Data Storage Products); Tucson, Arizona

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, the Foreign-Trade Zones Act provides for “* * * the establishment * * * of foreign-trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes,” and authorizes the Foreign-Trade Zones Board to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs ports of entry;

Whereas, the Board’s regulations (15 CFR Part 400) provide for the establishment of special-purpose subzones when existing zone facilities cannot serve the specific use involved, and when the activity results in a significant public benefit and is in the public interest;

Whereas, the City of Tucson, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 174, has made application to the Board for authority to establish a special-purpose subzone at the data storage manufacturing and warehousing facilities of the Imaton Corporation, located in Tucson, Arizona (FTZ Docket 62-99, filed 11/24/99);

Whereas, notice inviting public comment was given in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 67843, 12/3/99); and,

Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner’s report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations are satisfied, and that approval of the application is in the public interest;

Now, Therefore, the Board hereby grants authority for subzone status at the data storage manufacturing and warehousing facilities of the Imaton

Corporation, located in Tucson, Arizona (Subzone 174A), at the location described in the application, and subject to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations, including § 400.28.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 2nd day of June 2000.

Troy H. Cribb,

Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 27-2000]

Foreign-Trade Zone 50, Long Beach, California Area, Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by the Board of Harbor Commissioners of the City of Long Beach, grantee of FTZ 50, requesting authority to expand its zone in the Long Beach, California area, within the Los Angeles/Long Beach Customs port of entry. 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 Board (15 CFR Part 400). It was formally filed on June 5, 2000.

FTZ 50 was approved on September 14, 1979 (Board Order 147, 44 FR 55919, 9/28/79) and expanded 4 times (Board Orders 298, 341, 494 and 833). The zone project currently consists of the following sites in the Los Angeles/Long Beach Customs port of entry area: Site 1: Parcel 1-A (4 acres), 1500 West Dominguez Street, Long Beach; Parcel 1-B (96,354 sq. ft.), 909 East Colon Street, Wilmington; Parcel 1-C (2 acres), 1241 Watson Center Road, Carson; and Parcel 1-D (4 acres), 22941 South Wilmington Avenue, Carson; Site 2 (1,844 acres)—California Commerce Center, Ontario; Site 3 (92 acres)—parcels within the Inter-City Commuter Station Redevelopment area in Santa Ana and two warehouse facilities (17 acres, 324,000 sq. ft. total) at 3000/3100 Segerstrom Avenue, and 2900/2930 South Fairview Street, within the South Harbor Development area, Santa Ana; Site 4 (175 acres)—within the 2,300-acre San Bernardino International Airport and Trade Center complex (formerly Norton Air Force Base) in San Bernardino; and, Temporary Site 5 (11

acres, two parcels)—1101 W. McKinley Avenue (6 acres, Bldgs. 4-8) within the 487-acre Fairplex Center, Pomona; and, 10501-10509 E. Valley Blvd. (5 acres) at Pacific Place/San Gabriel Valley Business and Trade Center, El Monte, CA.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the general-purpose zone to include on a permanent basis the area within Temporary Site 5 (expires 9/1/01) and to include two new sites in the San Gabriel Valley area: Proposed Site 6: (50 acres)—former General Dynamics/Hughes site, north of Mission Boulevard between Humane Way and Dudley Street, Pomona; and, Proposed Site 7 (3 acres—2 sites)—San Gabriel sites, extending along San Marino Avenue and bounded on the north and south by Broadway and Clary Avenues (1 acre) and a site (2 acres) at Santa Anita and Junipero Serra Streets, San Gabriel. Proposed Site 6 is owned by the Pomona Redevelopment Agency and two private owners and Proposed Site 7 has multiple owners. The San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership will serve as operator of the proposed sites. No specific manufacturing requests are being made at this time. Such requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board’s regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is August 14, 2000. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to August 28, 2000).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Department of Commerce, Export Assistance Center, 350 S. Figueroa Street, Suite 509, Los Angeles, CA 90071.

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230

Dated: June 6, 2000.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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