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Rural Housing Service

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Updating Manufactured Housing Provisions; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Rural Housing Service (RHS or Agency), a Rural Development agency of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), is announcing an extension of the public comment period by 15 days for the notice of proposed rulemaking for the “Updating Manufactured Housing Provisions.” The intent of the extended comment period is to allow the public additional time to review and provide comments on the proposed changes.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published on August 16, 2023, at 88 FR 55601, is extended. Comments must be received on or before October 31, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically by the Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and, in the “Search Field” box, labeled “Search for docket and documents on agency actions,” enter the following docket number:

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or RIN# 0575-AD32, then click search. To submit or view public comments, select the following document title: (**Updating Manufactured Housing Provisions**) from the “Search Results,” and select the “Comment” button. Before inputting your comments, you may also review the “Commenter’s Checklist” (optional). Insert your comments under the “Comment”

title, click “Browse” to attach files (if available). Input your email address and select “Submit Comment.” Information on using Regulations.gov, including instructions for accessing documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket after the close of the comment period, is available through the site’s “FAQ” link.

Other Information: Additional information about Rural Development and its programs is available on the internet at <https://www.rurdev.usda.gov/index.html>.

All comments will be available for public inspection online at the Federal eRulemaking Portal (<https://www.regulations.gov>).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

In the **Federal Register** of August 16, 2023 (88 FR 55601), the Agency published a proposed rule entitled, “Updating Manufactured Housing Provisions.” The intent of the proposed rule is to suggest Agency changes to the current regulations for the Single-Family Housing (SFH) Section 502 Direct and the SFH Guaranteed Loan Program to allow the Agency to give borrowers increased purchase options within a competitive market and increase adequate housing along with an enhanced customer experience with the SFH programs. The proposed rule initially provided a 60-day period for submission of public comments on or before October 16, 2023. The Agency is extending the comment period for public comments to October 31, 2023, to allow for additional review and submission time.

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