REQUEST	FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY	JOB NUMBER N1-462-09- 12	
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	Department of Agriculture	NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY	
2 MAJOR SUE Food	and Nutrition Service	In accordance with the provisions of 44 U S C 3303a, the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not	
3 MINOR SUB Supp	lemental Nutrition Assistance Program	approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10	
	rson with whom to confer of the confer (703) 305-2570	DATE ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES	
I hereby corecords pro needed aft	CERTIFICATION ertify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters per posed for disposal on the attached	led now for the business for this agency or will not be ce from the General Accounting Office, under the	
DATE 9/22/	9 SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE	Agency Records Officer	
7 ITEM NO	8 DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION	9 GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION 10 ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)	
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7 ITEM NO	8 DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION	9 GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10 ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)
	Title: Anti-fraud Locator using EBT Retailer Transactions (ALERT)		
	Agency: US Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)		
	Office: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Benefit Redemption Division (BRD)		
	NARA Disposal Authority:		
	This schedule authorizes the disposition of the record copy in any media (media neutral) Records designated for permanent retention must be transferred to the National Archives in accordance with NARA standards at the time of transfer		
	Description:		
	The ALERT System is used to identify instances of transaction activity that could be fraudulent. It is a knowledge based systems that assists investigators to identify and build cases on retailers with suspicious patterns of transactions trafficking		
	Information is based on EBT transaction data, analysis results and retailers that participate in Supplemental Nutrition and Assistance Program. Data on retail firms is obtained from the Agency's Store Tracking and Redemption System known as STARS The transaction data is provided by the State Agencies' EBT processors		
	Disposition Instructions:		
	Item 1. Input		
	This system receives information from and sends information to the STARS system. Retailer information (i.e., name, address, ownership, reported		

redemption values, and case histories) are obtained from the STARS system. STARS receives analytical result summary and transaction redemption summary information. In addition, ALERT system receives transaction data on a daily basis from each of the EBT Processing sites. This information is transmitted via networks.

GRS 20, 2(b),(c),(d)

Temporary. Delete when data have been entered into the master file or database and verified, or when no longer required to support reconstruction of, or serve as backup to, a master file or database, whichever is later

Electronic records received from another agency and used as input/source records by the receiving agency, EXCLUDING records produced by another agency under the terms of an interagency agreement, or records created by another agency in response to the specific information needs of the receiving agency.

Temporary. Delete when data have been entered into the master file or database and verified, or when no longer needed to support reconstruction of, or serve as backup to, the master file or database, whichever is later

Computer files or records containing uncalibrated and unvalidated digital or analog data collected during observation or measurement activities or research and development programs and used as input for a digital master file or database

Temporary. Delete after the necessary data have been incorporated into a master file

Item 2: Master file/database

The master file/database contains transaction data taken from the Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) system which includes analysis results and information on retailers that participate in the SNAP (formerly Food Stamp) program The primary key for

	transaction tables is a database identifier based on FNS number		
	Temporary. Cut off (take a snapshot of) at the end of the fiscal year and destroy 15 years after cut off		
	Item 3: Outputs and Reports	GRS 20, 12(a),(b)	
	Standardize reports based on user queries exported to excel Can be paper or electronic copy generated by user-		
	Downloaded and copies data—Derived data and data files that are copied, extracted, merged, and/or calculated from other data generated within the agency, when the original data is retained-		
	Temporary Delete when the agency determines that they are no longer needed for administrative, legal, audit, or other operational purposes		
	Metadata or reference data which is transferred from a host computer or served to another computer for input, updating or transaction processing operations	GRS 20, 12c	
	• GRS 20, Item c		
	Temporary. Delete from the receiving system or device when no longer needed for processing		
	Paper Hard copy printouts created to meet ad hoc business needs Printouts derived from electronic records created on an ad hoc basis for reference purposes or to meet day to day business needs	GRS 20, 16	
-	Temporary. Destroy when the agency determines that they are no longer needed for administrative, legal, audit, or other operational purposes, provided		
	the printouts do not contain substantive information, such as substantive annotations, that is not included in the electronic records—(Printouts that contain substantive information should be disposed of in		
	accordance with the NARA-approved schedule that covers the series in which they are filed)		

Hem 4: System Documentation Data systems specifications, file specifications, codebooks, record layouts, user guides, output specifications, and final reports (regardless of medium) relating to a master file, database or other electronic records • GRS 20, Item 11a Temporary. Destroy or delete upon authorized deletion of the related electronic records or upon the destruction of the origin of the system if the output is needed to protect legal rights, whichever is later.	 		
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