

## Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Price Variability in WIC Food Benefit Redemptions

Type of Report  
(ERR, EIB, EB,  
TB, SOR,) ERR

Agency: Economic Research Service [X] Influential Scientific Information  
USDA [ ] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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Subject of  
Review: This study examines variability in WIC food prices across retail channels and four WIC State Agencies (SAs) in the Midwest, Western, Southwest, and Mountain Plains Food and Nutrition Service regions during several months of 2014 using purchase-level data on WIC Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) transactions.

Purpose of  
Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: [ ] Panel Review [X] Individual Reviewers  
[ ] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 1/23/2018 Completed: 4/13/18 Withdrawn: XX/XX/18

Number of Reviewers: [ ] 3 or fewer [x] 4 to 10 [ ] More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency [ ] Designated Outside Organization  
Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? [ ] Yes [X] No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? [ ] Yes [X] No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? [ ] Yes [X] No