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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance; Office of Food for Peace; Announcement of Draft Food for Peace P.L. 480 Title II Program Policies and Proposal Guidelines (FY08)

Notice

Pursuant to the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (Pub. L. 480, as amended), notice is hereby given that the Draft Food for Peace P.L. 480 Title II Program Policies and Proposal Guidelines (FY 08) are being made available to interested parties for the required thirty (30) day comment period.

Individuals who wish to receive a copy of these draft guidelines should contact: Office of Food for Peace, U.S. Agency for International Development, RRB 7.06-136, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20523-7600. The draft guidelines may also be found at http://www.usaid.gov/our_work/humanitarian_assistance/ffp/. Individuals who have questions or comments on the draft guidelines should contact both Juli Majernik (at the above address, by phone at (202) 712-4088, or by e-mail at jmajernik@usaid.gov) and copy AMEX International, Inc., at ffpdocs@amexdc.com. The thirty-day comment period will begin on the date that this announcement is published in the **Federal Register**.

Juli Majernik,

Office of Food for Peace, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket Number: AMS-CN-07-0093; CN-07-007]

Proposal To Reestablish the Advisory Committee on Universal Cotton Standards

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to reestablish the Advisory Committee on Universal Cotton Standards.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is proposing to reestablish the Advisory Committee on Universal Cotton Standards (Committee). The Committee reviews official Universal Standards for American Upland cotton prepared by USDA and would make recommendations regarding the establishment or revision of standards.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Darryl Earnest, Deputy Administrator, Cotton Program, AMS, USDA, Stop 0224, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0224, telephone 202-720-2145, facsimile 202-690-1718, or e-mail at darryl.earnest@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture is considering the reestablishment of the Advisory Committee, which would be composed of foreign and domestic representatives of the cotton industry. The purpose of the Committee would be to review official Universal Standards for U.S. Upland cotton prepared by USDA and make recommendations regarding establishment or revision of the standards established under the United States Cotton Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 51 *et seq.*). The last Advisory Committee on Universal Cotton Standards was established August 6, 2004. The Advisory Committee's term ended in 2006.

Equal opportunity practices, in line with USDA policies, would be followed in all appointments to the committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the committee have taken into account the needs of diverse groups served by the Department, membership would include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

Balanced committee membership would be attained domestically and internationally through the following Committee composition.

Representation by Domestic Industry

The U.S. cotton industry's committee membership would be comprised of 12 producers and ginners, 6 representatives of merchandising firms, and 6 representatives of textile manufacturers. These representatives would be appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Each member would have one vote. Accordingly, voting privileges will be divided as follows: (1) U.S. cotton producers and ginners—12 votes; (2) U.S. merchandising firms—6 votes; (3) U.S. textile manufacturers—6 votes.

Representation by Foreign Signatory Associations

There would be 2 committee members designated from each of the foreign signatory associations. These committee members would be designated by the respective associations. Voting privileges would be divided as follows: (1) Foreign signatory merchant associations—6 votes; (2) Foreign signatory spinner associations—6 votes.

Domestic members selected for the committee shall serve without pay, but with reimbursement of travel expenses and per diem for attendance at the committee meeting.

Dated: August 9, 2007.

Lloyd C. Day,

Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Docket No. AMS-LS-07-0102; LS-07-13]

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), this notice announces the Agricultural Marketing

Service's (AMS) intention to request approval, from the Office of Management and Budget, for an extension and revision of a currently approved information collection used to compile and generate the livestock and meat market reports for the Livestock and Grain Market News Branch of the Livestock and Seed Program.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by October 15, 2007 to be assured of consideration.

Additional Information or Comments: Comments may be mailed to Jimmy A. Beard; Assistant to the Chief; Livestock and Grain Market News Branch, Livestock and Seed Program, AMS, USDA; STOP 0252; Room 2619-S; 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0252; Phone (202) 720-8054; Fax (202) 690-3732; e-mailed to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>, or e-mailed to marketnewscomments@usda.gov. State that your comments refer to Docket No. AMS-LS-07-0102; LS-07-13.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Warren Preston, Chief, Livestock and Grain Market News Branch, AMS, USDA, by telephone on 202/720-4846, or via e-mail at: warren.preston@usda.gov or Jimmy A. Beard, Assistant to the Chief, Livestock and Grain Market News Branch, AMS, USDA, by telephone on 202/720-8054, or e-mail at: jimmy.beard@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Livestock and Meat Market Reports.

OMB Number: 0581-0154.

Expiration Date of Approval: 02-29-2008.

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

Abstract: The Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621, *et. seq.*) directs and authorizes the collection and dissemination of marketing information including adequate outlook information, on a market area basis, for the purpose of anticipating and meeting consumer requirements aiding in the maintenance of farm income and to bring about a balance between production and utilization.

Under this market news program, AMS issues market news reports covering the livestock and meat trade, which encompasses a wide range of industry contacts, including packers, processors, producers, brokers, and retailers. These reports are compiled on a voluntary basis, in cooperation with the livestock and meat industry. The information provided by respondents initiates market news reporting, which

must be timely, accurate, unbiased, and continuous if it is to be meaningful to the industry. The livestock and meat industry requested that AMS issue livestock and meat market reports in order to assist them in making informed production and marketing decisions. In addition, several Government agencies that purchase meat for various Federal programs use this data in making their purchasing decisions.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at .08 hours per response.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, individuals or households, farms, and the Federal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,710.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 4,386,150.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 126.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 215,020 hours.

Comments are invited on: (1) 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; (2) 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; (3) ways to enhance quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Jimmy A. Beard, 1400 Independence Ave., Room 2619-S, Washington, DC 20250-0252. Comments can be submitted to: <http://www.regulations.gov> and viewed there as well. All comments received will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at the same address and on the Internet at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsmnpubs>.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 9, 2007.

Lloyd Day,

Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Docket # AMS-FV-07-0036; FV-06-318]

United States Standards for Grades of Pineapples

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is soliciting comments on its proposal to revise the United States Standards for Grades of Pineapples. The proposal would replace Tables I and II in the tolerances section with numerical tolerances and numerical application of tolerances. Decay tolerances would also be revised. The proposed revisions would make the United States Standards for Grades of Pineapples more uniform with other existing grade standards and would better serve the industry.

DATES: Comments must be received by October 15, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> or to the Standardization Section, Fresh Products Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture; 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Room 1661 South Building, Stop 0240, Washington, DC 20250-0240; or fax (202) 720-8871. Comments should make reference to the dates and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register** and will be made available for public inspection in the above office during regular business hours. The United States Standards for Grades of Pineapples are available through the Fresh Products Branch Web site at: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/standards/stanfrrfv.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Vincent J. Fusaro, Standardization Section, Fresh Products Branch, (202) 720-2185.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 203(c) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621-1627), as amended, directs and authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture "To develop and improve standards of quality, condition, quantity, grade and packaging and recommend and demonstrate such standards in order to encourage uniformity and consistency in commercial practices." The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is committed to carrying out this authority in a manner that facilitates the marketing of agricultural commodities