

surveillance mission. They are used routinely when specimens (such as blood, milk, tissue, or urine) from any animal (including cattle, swine, sheep, goats, horses, and poultry) are submitted to APHIS' National Veterinary Services Laboratories (NVSL) for disease testing. VS Form 5-38, Parasite Submission form, is completed by State veterinarians or other State representatives, accredited veterinarians, private laboratories, research institutions, and individuals/households.

Need and Use of the Information: Using APHIS form VS 10-4, State or Federal veterinarians, accredited veterinarians, or other State and Federal representatives will document the collection and submission of specimens for laboratory analysis. The form identifies the individual animal from which the specimen is taken as well as the animal's herd or flock; the type of specimen submitted, and the purpose of submitting the specimen. The National Tick Surveillance Program is based on the information submitted on VS Form 5-38, in addition to critical surveillance information needed for the Cattle Fever Tick Eradication Program. This information identifies the individual submitting the tick samples. Without the information contained on these forms, personnel at the National Veterinary Services Laboratories would have no way of identifying or processing the specimens/species being sent to them for analysis.

Description of Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government; Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 3,208.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 9,266.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS-2009-0030]

Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene

AGENCY: Office of the Acting Under Secretary for Food Safety, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Acting Under Secretary for Food Safety, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, are sponsoring a public meeting on October 28, 2009. The objective of the public meeting is to provide information and receive public comments on agenda items and draft U.S. positions that will be discussed at the 41st Session of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene (CCFH) of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Codex), which will be held in San Diego, California, from November 16 through November 20, 2009. The Acting Under Secretary for Food Safety and FDA recognize the importance of providing interested parties the opportunity to obtain background information on the 41st session of the CCFH and to address items on the agenda.

DATES: The public meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 28, 2009, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at FDA, Harvey Wiley Federal Building, 5100 Paint Branch Parkway, Room 1A-003 (Auditorium), College Park, MD 20740. Documents related to the 41st Session of the CCFH will be accessible via the World Wide Web at the following address: <http://www.codexalimentarius.net/current.asp>.

The U.S. Delegate to the 41st Session of the CCFH invites interested U.S. parties to submit their comments electronically to the following e-mail address Donald.Zink@fda.hhs.gov.

Registration: All visitors must pass through security screening in the front lobby of the building and will be directed to the auditorium. Visitors who wish to come to the building via automobile may park in the FDA parking lot next to the building. Those parking in the FDA lot will need to pass through the guard station at the River Road entrance. To expedite entry to the parking lot, it is recommended that visitors who drive to the meeting contact Jasmine Matthews in the U.S. Codex Office and provide their name, vehicle make, model, color, and license plate number, by close of business on October 23, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE 41ST SESSION OF THE CCFH CONTACT:

Barbara McNiff, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 4870, Washington, DC 20250, (202) 690-4719, Barbara.McNiff@fsis.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE PUBLIC MEETING CONTACT: Jasmine

Matthews, Program Analyst, U.S. Codex Office, 1400 Independence Avenue, Room 4861, Washington, DC 20250, (202) 690-1124, Jasmine.Matthews@fsis.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Codex was established in 1963 by two United Nations organizations, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO). Through adoption of food standards, codes of practice, and other guidelines developed by its committees, and by promoting their adoption and implementation by governments, Codex seeks to protect the health of consumers and ensure that fair practices are used in trade.

The CCFH was established to draft basic provisions on food hygiene applicable to all food; to consider, amend if necessary, and endorse provisions on hygiene prepared by Codex commodity committees and contained in Codex codes of practice unless, in specific cases, the Codex has decided otherwise; to draft provisions on hygiene applicable to specific food items or food groups, whether coming within the terms of reference of a Codex commodity committee or not; to consider specific hygiene problems assigned to it by the Codex; to suggest and prioritize areas where there is a need for microbiological risk assessment at the international level; to develop questions to be addressed by the risk assessors; and to consider microbiological risk management matters in relation to food hygiene, including food irradiation, and in relation to the risk assessment of FAO and WHO.

The CCFH is hosted by the United States of America.

Issues to be Discussed at the Public Meeting

The following items on the agenda for the 41st Session of the CCFH will be discussed during the public meeting:

- Matters Referred by the Codex and Other Codex Committees to the CCFH;
- Matters Arising from the Work of FAO, WHO, and Other International Intergovernmental Organizations:

(a) Progress Report on the Joint FAO and WHO Expert Meetings on Microbiological Risk Assessment and Related Matters

(b) Information from the World Organization for Animal Health

- Proposed Draft Guidelines for the Control of *Campylobacter* and *Salmonella* spp. in Chicken Products at Step 4;

- Proposed Draft Annex on Leafy Green Vegetables, Including Leafy Herbs, to the Code of Hygienic Practice for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables at Step 4;
 - Proposed Draft Code of Hygienic Practice for *Vibrio spp.* in Seafood at Step 4;
 - Proposed Draft Annex on Control Measures for *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* and *Vibrio vulnificus* in Molluscan Shellfish;
 - Proposed Draft Code of Hygienic Practice for Control of Viruses in Food at Step 4;
 - Inconsistencies Arising in Documents Elaborated by the CCFH and Adopted by the Codex;
 - Discussion of the Report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group for Establishment of CCFH Work Priorities.
- Each issue listed will be fully described in documents distributed, or to be distributed, by the Secretariat prior to the meeting. Members of the public may access copies of these documents (see **ADDRESSES**).

Public Meeting

At the October 28, 2009, public meeting, draft U.S. positions on the agenda items will be described and discussed, and attendees will have the opportunity to pose questions and offer comments. Written comments may be offered at the meeting or sent to the U.S. Delegate for the 41st Session of the CCFH, Donald Zink (see **ADDRESSES**). Written comments should state that they relate to activities of the 41st Session of the CCFH.

Additional Public Notification

Public awareness of all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important. Consequently, in an effort to ensure that minorities, women, and persons with disabilities are aware of this notice, FSIS will announce it online through the FSIS Web page located at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations/2009_Notices_Index/. FSIS will also make copies of this **Federal Register** publication available through the FSIS Constituent Update, which is used to provide information regarding FSIS policies, procedures, regulations, **Federal Register** notices, FSIS public meetings, and other types of information that could affect or would be of interest to constituents and stakeholders. The FSIS Constituent Update is communicated via Listserv, a free electronic mail subscription service for industry, trade groups, consumer interest groups, health professionals, and other individuals who have asked to be included. The FSIS Constituent Update is also available on the FSIS

Web page. Through the Listserv and Web page, FSIS is able to provide information to a much broader and more diverse audience. In addition, FSIS offers an electronic mail subscription service which provides automatic and customized access to selected food safety news and information. This service is available at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/news_and_events/email_subscription/. Options range from recalls to export information to regulations, directives and notices. Customers can add or delete subscriptions themselves, and have the option to password protect their accounts.

Done at Washington, DC, on October 20, 2009.

Karen Stuck,

U.S. Manager for Codex Alimentarius.

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APPALACHIAN STATES LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE COMMISSION

Annual Meeting

Time and Date: 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. November 6, 2009.

Place: Harrisburg Hilton and Towers, One North Second Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101.

Status: The meeting will be open to the public.

Matters to be Considered:

Portions Open to the Public: The primary purpose of this meeting is to (1) review the independent auditors' report of Commission's financial statements for fiscal year 2008–2009; (2) Review the Low-Level Radioactive Waste (LLRW) Disposal and Storage information for 2008; (3) Consider a proposed budget for fiscal year 2010–2011; (4) Review regional and national issues regarding LLRW storage, management and disposal; and (5) Elect the Commission's Officers.

Portions Closed to the Public: Executive Session, if deemed necessary, will be announced at the meeting.

Contact Person for More Information: Rich Janati, Administrator of the Commission, at 717-787-2163.

Rich Janati,

Administrator, Appalachian Compact Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-570-963]

Certain Sodium and Potassium Phosphate Salts From the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

DATES: *Effective Date:* October 23, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Yasmin Nair or Joseph Shuler, AD/CVD Operations, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3813 and (202) 482-1293, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Petition

On September 24, 2009, the Department of Commerce ("Department") received a petition filed in proper form by ICL Performance Products LP and Prayon, Inc. (collectively, "Petitioners"), domestic producers of certain sodium and potassium phosphate salts.¹ In response to the Department's requests, Petitioners provided timely information supplementing the Petition on October 1, 2009.

In accordance with section 702(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), Petitioners allege that manufacturers, producers, or exporters of sodium and potassium phosphate salts in the People's Republic of China ("PRC") receive countervailable subsidies within the meaning of section 701 of the Act, and that such imports are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, an industry in the United States.

The Department finds that Petitioners filed the Petition on behalf of the domestic industry because they are interested parties as defined in section 771(9)(C) and (D) of the Act, and Petitioners have demonstrated sufficient industry support with respect to the countervailing duty ("CVD") investigation (see "Determination of Industry Support for the Petition" section below).

¹ See Petition for the Imposition of Antidumping and Countervailing Duties Pursuant to Sections 701 and 731 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as Amended: Certain Sodium and Potassium Phosphate Salts from the People's Republic of China, dated September 24, 2009 ("Petition").