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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Opportunity for Designation in the Schneider (IN) Area and the State of Georgia

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act), provides that official agency designations will end not later than triennially and may be renewed. The designations of Schneider Inspection Service, Inc. (Schneider), and the Georgia Department of Agriculture (Georgia) will end July 31, 1996, according to the Act, and GIPSA is asking persons interested in providing official services in the Schneider and Georgia areas to submit an application for designation.

DATES: Applications must be postmarked or sent by telecopier (FAX) on or before February 28, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted to Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, GIPSA, USDA, Room 1647 South Building, P.O. Box 96454, Washington, DC 20090-6454. Telecopier (FAX) users may send applications to the automatic telecopier machine at 202-690-2755, attention: Janet M. Hart. If an application is submitted by telecopier, GIPSA reserves the right to request an original application. All applications will be made available for public inspection at this address located at 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., during regular business hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet M. Hart, telephone 202-720-8525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

This action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866

and Departmental Regulation 1512-1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

Section 7(f)(1) of the Act authorizes GIPSA' Administrator to designate a qualified applicant to provide official services in a specified area after determining that the applicant is better able than any other applicant to provide such official services. GIPSA designated Schneider, main office located in Lake Village, Indiana, and Georgia, main office located in Tifton, Georgia, to provide official inspection services under the Act on August 1, 1993.

Section 7(g)(1) of the Act provides that designations of official agencies shall end not later than triennially and may be renewed according to the criteria and procedures prescribed in Section 7(f) of the Act. The designations of Schneider and Georgia end on July 31, 1996.

The geographic area presently assigned to Schneider, in the States of Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan, pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the USGSA, which may be assigned to the applicant selected for designation is as follows.

In Illinois and Indiana:

Bounded on the North by the northern Will County line from Interstate 57 east to the Illinois-Indiana State line; the Illinois-Indiana State line north to the northern Lake County line; the northern Lake, Porter, Laporte, St. Joseph, and Elkhart County lines;

Bounded on the East by the eastern and southern Elkhart County lines; the eastern Marshall County line;

Bounded on the South by the southern Marshall and Starke County lines; the eastern Jasper County line south-southwest to U.S. Route 24; U.S. Route 24 west to Indiana State Route 55; Indiana State Route 55 south to the Newton County line; the southern Newton County line west to U.S. Route 41; U.S. Route 41 north to U.S. Route 24; U.S. Route 24 west to the Indiana-Illinois State line; and

Bounded on the West by Indiana-Illinois State line north to Kankakee County; the southern Kankakee County line west to U.S. Route 52; U.S. Route 52 north to Interstate 57; Interstate 57 north to the northern Will County line.

Berrien, Cass, and St. Joseph Counties, Michigan.

The following grain elevators, located outside of the above contiguous

geographic area, are part of this geographic area assignment: Frick Service and Farmers Grain, both in Winamac, Pulaski County, Indiana (located inside Titus Grain Inspection, Inc.'s, area).

Schneider's assigned geographic area does not include the export port locations inside Schneider's area which are serviced by FGIS.

The geographic area presently assigned to the State of Georgia, pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the USGSA, which may be assigned to the applicant selected for designation is as follows:

The entire State of Georgia, except those export port locations within the State which are serviced by FGIS.

Interested persons, including Schneider and Georgia, are hereby given the opportunity to apply for designation to provide official services in the geographic areas specified above under the provisions of Section 7(f) of the Act and section 800.196(d) of the regulations issued thereunder. Designation in the specified geographic areas is for the period beginning August 1, 1996, and ending July 31, 1999.

Persons wishing to apply for designation should contact the Compliance Division at the address listed above for forms and information.

Applications and other available information will be considered in determining which applicant will be designated.

Authority: Pub. L. 94-582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*)

Dated: January 24, 1996.

Neil E. Porter,

Director, Compliance Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 012396B]

Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council); Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's Salmon Technical Team will hold a public meeting.

DATES: The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. on February 13, 1996, and continue from approximately 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day through February 16, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Council office in Portland, OR.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Coon, Salmon Management Coordinator; telephone: (503) 326-6352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is a work session of the Salmon Technical Team to draft the 1996 stock status report, "Preseason I: Stock Abundance Analysis for 1996 Ocean Salmon Fisheries." The final report will be distributed to the public and reviewed by the Council at its March meeting in Portland, OR.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Eric Greene at (503) 326-6352 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: January 25, 1996.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's Groundfish Management Team will hold a public meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on February 20 beginning at 1 p.m. and may go into the evening until business for the day is completed, and on February 21 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., and on February 22 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Glock, Groundfish Fishery Management Coordinator; telephone: (503) 326-6352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of this meeting is to review the Council's October 1995 instructions to the team, review its organization and prepare a schedule of team activities for 1996, and elect a new chair. The team will review the status of the interim stock assessment for Pacific whiting and develop an acceptable biological catch recommendation for 1996. The agenda also includes reviews of the inseason catch tracking process for 1996, development of a new stock assessment process, management of thornyheads south of Pt. Conception, the pace of open access sablefish and thornyhead landings, and status reports on whiting and sablefish analyses.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Eric Greene at (503) 326-6352 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: January 25, 1996.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Public Meeting on G-7 Ministerial Conference in the Information Society and Developing Countries

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) Commerce

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: NTIA is convening a public meeting on February 8, 1996, to discuss U.S. government goals and objectives for the upcoming G-7 Ministerial Conference on the Information Society and Developing Countries. The Conference is scheduled for May 13-15, 1996 in South Africa.

The public meeting will be chaired by Larry Irving, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information and Administrator of NTIA. The purpose of the meeting is to brief the public and obtain input on U.S. government goals and objectives for the Conference.

DATES: The public meeting will be held from 11 a.m. to 12 noon on Thursday, February 8, 1996, in Room 4830 at the

U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. The main entrance on 14th Street between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues should be used.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Elizabeth Echols, Senior Advisor, NTIA; U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 4898; 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. 20230. Telephone: 202/482-1304; Fax: 202/482-1865. E-mail: eechols@ntia.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the G-7 Ministerial Conference on the Information Society held on February 25-26, 1995 in Brussels, the G-7 Ministers reached consensus on the fundamental principles underlying the development of the Global Information Infrastructure (GII). During this Conference, Executive Deputy President of South Africa, Mr. Thabo Mbeki, invited the G-7 partners to South Africa for a telecommunications ministerial conference on development issues.

Ministers from approximately 40 developed and developing countries, including the G-7 countries, are expected to attend the Conference. Although the Conference will be conducted at the ministerial level, the private sector is expected to play an important role. Preliminary plans indicate that the private sector, government representatives, and selected international organizations will address the needs and challenges of the developing world through Conference workshops designed to initiate concrete actions. In addition, it is expected that the private sector will have the opportunity to demonstrate the potential of information technologies and services to address issues of interest to developing countries through a technology exhibition.

The United States delegation will be led by U.S. Secretary of Commerce Ronald H. Brown.

Dated: January 25, 1996.

Larry Irving,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Request for Comments Concerning Proposed Extension of Approval of a Collection of Information, Safety Standard for Walk-Behind Power Lawn Mowers

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.