ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: We are advising the public that the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service has prepared an environmental assessment and a finding of no significant impact for the shipment for field testing of an unlicensed veterinary vaccine containing a canarypox-vectored rabies fraction for use in cats. A risk analysis, which forms the basis for the environmental assessment, has led us to conclude that shipment of this veterinary vaccine for field testing will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Based on our finding of no significant impact, we have determined that an environmental impact statement need not be prepared. With this notice, we state our intention to authorize shipment of this combination vaccine product for field testing 14 days after the date of this notice, unless new substantial issues bearing on the effects of the action contemplated here are brought to our attention. We also intend to issue a veterinary biological product license for this product and three additional products containing the same canarypox-vectored rabies fraction, provided the field trial data support the conclusions of the environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact and the products meet all other requirements for licensure.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact may be obtained by contacting the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.** Please refer to the docket number, date, and complete title of this notice when requesting copies. Copies of the environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact (as well as the risk analysis with confidential business information removed) are also available for public inspection at USDA, room 1141, South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Persons wishing to inspect those documents are requested to call ahead on (202) 690–2817 to facilitate entry into the reading room.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Jeanette Greenberg, Technical Writer-Editor, Center for Veterinary Biologics, Licensing and Policy Development, Veterinary Services, APHIS, USDA, 4700 River Road Unit 148, Riverdale, MD 20737–1231; telephone (301) 734–8400; fax (301) 734–8910; or e-mail: jgreenberg@aphis.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Virus-Serum-Toxin Act (21 U.S.C. 151 *et seq.*), a veterinary biological product must be shown to be pure, safe, potent, and efficacious before a veterinary biological product license may be issued. A field test is generally necessary to satisfy prelicensing requirements for veterinary biological products. In order to ship an unlicensed veterinary biological product for the purpose of conducting a field test, a person must receive authorization from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS).

In determining whether to authorize shipment for field testing of the unlicensed veterinary biological product referenced in this notice, APHIS conducted a risk analysis to assess the potential effect of this product on the safety of animals, the public health, and the environment. Based on the risk analysis, APHIS has prepared an environmental assessment (EA). APHIS has concluded that shipment of the unlicensed veterinary biological product for field testing will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment. Based on this finding of no significant impact (FONSI), we have determined that there is no need to prepare an environmental impact statement. An EA and FONSI have been prepared by APHIS for the shipment of the following unlicensed veterinary biological product for field testing:

Requester: Rhone Merieux, Inc., Establishment License No. 298.

Product: Feline Leukemia-Rhinotracheitis-Calici-Panleukopenia-Chlamydia Psittaci-Rabies Vaccine, Modified Live and Killed Virus and Chlamydia, Canarypox Vector (Code 16A9.R0).

Field test locations: California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, New York, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Wisconsin.

The EA and FONSI have been prepared in accordance with: (1) The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), (2) regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality for implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500–1508), (3) USDA regulations implementing NEPA (7 CFR part 1b), and (4) APHIS' NEPA Implementing Procedures (7 CFR part 372).

Unless substantial environmental issues are raised in response to this notice, APHIS intends to authorize the shipment of the above product and the initiation of the field tests after 14 days from the date of this notice.

Because the issues raised by authorization of a field trial and by issuance of a license are identical, APHIS has concluded that the EA and FONSI that were generated for the field trial would also be applicable to the proposed licensing action. Provided that the field trial data support the conclusions of the original EA and FONSI, APHIS does not intend to generate a separate EA to support the issuance of the product license, and would determine that an environmental impact statement need not be prepared. Therefore, APHIS intends to issue a veterinary biological product license for this product following the completion of the field trial, provided no adverse impacts on the human environment are identified as a result of field testing this product and provided the product meets all other requirements for licensure.

Simultaneously, APHIS intends to issue licenses for three additional combination vaccines produced by Rhone Merieux, Inc., also for use in cats. These three vaccines (each of which contains the same canarypox-vectored rabies fraction but lacks one or two components present in the above-mentioned product) are as follows:

Product: Feline Rhinotracheitis-Calici-Panleukopenia-Chlamydia Psittaci-Rabies Vaccine, Modified Live Virus and Chlamydia, Canarypox Vector (Code 1619.R1);

Product: Feline Rhinotracheitis-Calici-Panleukopenia-Rabies Vaccine, Modified Live Virus, Canarypox Vector (Code 16T9.R0); and

Product: Feline Leukemia-Rhinotracheitis-Calici-Panleukopenia-Rabies Vaccine, Modified Live and Killed Virus, Canarypox Vector (Code 16S9.R0).

Except for the canarypox-vectored rabies fraction, all components of the four products discussed in this notice are represented in currently licensed products.

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 151–159.

Done in Washington, DC, this 3rd day of July 1997.

Terry L. Medley,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Collecting Data on Domestic Sugar Prices

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Advance notice with request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Farm Service Agency (FSA) continually encounters problems in responding to internal and external requests for reliable raw cane sugar and refined sugar price data. Sugar price data are used in the administration of the sugar program to forecast the likelihood of loan collateral forfeitures and to determine the adequacy of domestic sugar supply to meet demand at reasonable prices. Buyers and sellers of sugar and sugar-containing products also are interested in obtaining additional price data for gauging market activities. Comments are solicited from all parties on the collection of monthly average sugar prices, the value of publishing aggregate price data, as well as the costs and benefits of this data collection.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Comments on this advance notice must be received on or before August 8, 1997 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the Director, Dairy and Sweeteners Analysis Group, Economic and Policy Analysis Staff, Farm Service Agency, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 0516, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250–0516 or fax (202) 690–1480.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Colacicco at the above address or fax, or telephone (202) 690–0734.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 156(h) of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, 7 U.S.C. § 7272, authorizes the Department of Agriculture to collect, on a monthly basis, information as the Secretary may require to administer sugar programs, including sales of sugarcane, sugar beets, and sugar, and production, importation, distribution, and stock levels of sugar. The Department is authorized to collect such data from sugarcane processors, sugar beet processors, and cane sugar refiners. Data presently available to FSA and the public to forecast loan collateral forfeitures, to determine the adequacy of domestic sugar supply, and to develop price forecasting models is considered less than adequate.

To improve data availability, FSA could collect price data from sugarcane processors, sugar beet processors, and cane sugar refiners. Such data could represent the monthly average selling prices of raw sugar and refined sugar sold in bulk, or, spot prices could be collected. Prices could be f.o.b. plant or destination. Bulk sales could be defined as only unpackaged sugar sales. Alternatively, bulk sales could include sales made in 100 pound bags, or larger, adjusting these sales prices to exclude package costs.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collection of raw and refined sugar price data is necessary for the proper administration of the sugar program; (2) the price data to be collected; (3) estimates of the burden of price reporting on cane processors, sugar beet processors, and cane sugar refiners; (4) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of price information from those who would respond; and (5) the advantages and disadvantages of publishing aggregate price data.

After the consideration of comments received in response to this advance notice, FSA will publish a notice.

Signed in Washington, DC, on July 3, 1997.

Bruce R. Weber,

Acting Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. 97–043 N]

Meeting; Fresh Produce Subcommittee of the National Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Fresh Produce Subcommittee of the National Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods will hold a public meeting on July 24 and 25, 1997, to discuss detection and control of *Cyclospora*, a pathogen found on fresh fruits and vegetables.

DATES: The meeting will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on July 24 and 25, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Marriott Hotel at Metro Center, 775 12th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005; telephone (202) 737–2200.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Interested persons may file comments before and after the meeting. Address all comments to Dr. Richard L. Ellis, Director, Scientific Research Oversight Staff, Department of Agriculture, FSIS, Suite 6913 Franklin Court Building, 1099 14th Street NW, Washington, DC 20250–3700 or FAX to (202) 501–7628.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subcommittee will be discussing *Cyclospora* on fresh produce and the draft white paper on foodborne outbreaks related to raspberries, lettuce, and other produce that the subcommittee is preparing. A final research paper will be presented at the next full session of the Committee in August 1997. The Subcommittee meeting is open to the public on a space available basis.

The Committee provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Health and Human Services concerning the development of microbiological criteria by which the safety and wholesomeness of food can be assessed.

Done at Washington, DC, on July 7, 1997.

Thomas J. Billy,

Administrator.

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UNITED STATES ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY

The Director's Advisory Committee; Notice of Closed Meetings

July 7, 1997.

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended 5 U.S.C. App. (1988), the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency announces the following Advisory Committee meetings:

Name: The Director's Advisory Committee (DirAC).

Dates: July 16, 17 and 18, 1997, August 18 and 19, 1997, September 29 and 30, 1997.

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Place: State Department Building, 320 21st Street, N.W., Room 4930, Washington, D.C.

Type of Meetings: Closed.

Contact: Robert Sherman, Executive Director, Director's Advisory Committee, Room 5844, Washington D.C. 20451, (202) 647–4622.

Purpose of Advisory Committee: To advise the President, the Secretary of State, and the Director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency respecting scientific, technical, and policy matters affecting arms control, nonproliferation, and disarmament.

Purpose of the Meetings: The Committee will review specific arms control, nonproliferation, and verification issues. Members will be briefed on current U.S. policy and issues regarding negotiations such as the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty and the Conventional Weapons Convention. Members will also be briefed on issues regarding the Chemical and Biological Weapons Conventions. Members will exchange information and concepts with key ACDA personnel. All meetings will be held in Executive Session.

Reason for Closing: The DirAC members will be reviewing and discussing matters specifically authorized by Executive Order 12958 to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy.

Authority to Close Meetings: The closing of the meetings is in accordance with a