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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains documents other than rules or proposed rules that are applicable to the public. Notices of hearings and investigations, committee meetings, agency decisions and rulings, delegations of authority, filing of petitions and applications and agency statements of organization and functions are examples of documents appearing in this section.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

Committee on Adjudication; Meeting

ACTION: Notice of cancellation of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), notice is hereby given of the cancellation of a meeting of the Committee on Adjudication of the Administrative Conference of the United States.

DATES: April 3, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy G. Miller, Office of the Chairman, Administrative Conference of the United States, 2120 L Street, NW, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20037. Telephone: (202) 254-7020.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting of the Committee on Adjudication scheduled for April 3, 1995, at 9:30 am, has been cancelled. It will be rescheduled at a later date.

Dated: March 20, 1995.

Jeffrey S. Lubbers,

Research Director.

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Committee on Rulemaking

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463), notice is hereby given of meetings of the Committee on Rulemaking of the Administrative Conference of the United States.

DATES: April 5, 1995, at 9:30 am; April 24, 1995, at 9:30 am.

LOCATION: Administrative Conference Library, 2120 L Street, NW, Suite 500, Washington DC 20037.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Nancy G. Miller, Office of the Chairman,

Administrative Conference of the United States, 2120 L Street, NW, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20037. Telephone: (202) 254-7020.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee on Rulemaking will continue its discussion, begun at a meeting on March 29, 1995, of projects on (a) review of existing agency regulations, (b) interim final rulemaking, and (c) direct final rulemaking.

Attendance at the meetings is open to the interested public, but limited to the space available. Persons wishing to attend should notify the Office of the Chairman at least one day in advance. The chairman of the committee, if he deems it appropriate, may permit members of the public to present oral statements at the meeting. Any member of the public may file a written statement with the committee before, during, or after the meeting. Minutes of each meeting will be available on request.

Dated: March 22, 1995.

Jeffrey S. Lubbers,

Research Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[TM-95-00-1]

Notice of Meeting of the National Organic Standards Board

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) announces a forthcoming meeting of the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB).

DATES: April 24, 1995 at 8 a.m. through April 28, 1995 at 5 p.m. for the NOSB. An orientation session for new NOSB members will be held from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on April 23, 1995.

PLACE: Ramada Hotel Resort Florida Center, 7400 International Drive, Orlando, Florida 32829. Phone (407) 351-4600 or (800) 327-1363. All meetings of the NOSB for the week will be held at that address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Harold S. Ricker, Staff Director, NOSB, Room 4006 South Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), AMS, Transportation and Marketing Division, P. O. Box 96456, Washington, DC 20090-6456. Phone (202) 720-2704.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 2119 (7 U.S.C. 6518) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (FACT Act), as amended (7 U.S.C. Section 6501 *et seq.*), requires establishment of a NOSB. The purpose of the NOSB is to assist in the development of standards for substances to be used in organic production and to advise the Secretary on any other aspects of the implementation of Title XXI of the FACT Act. The NOSB met for the first time in Washington, D.C., in March 1992 and currently has five committees to work on various aspects of the program. The committees are: Crops Standards; Processing, Labelling and Packaging; Livestock Standards; Accreditation; and International Issues. At its last meeting, the NOSB began the review of the botanical substances currently used in organic production, and determined that five botanicals (Neem, Pyrethrums, Rotenone, Ryania, and Sabadilla) should not be placed on the National List of prohibited natural substances. A recommendation on Nicotine and Strychnine was tabled for more information. The NOSB did not develop recommendations for allowed synthetic substances to be considered for inclusion on the National List except that a motion to add PBO's was defeated.

Purpose and Agenda

The main focus of this meeting is to discuss certain substances that should be considered for recommendation for inclusion on the National List as allowed synthetic substances and continue discussion of certain substances that should be considered for recommendation on the National List as prohibited natural substances in regard to the organic production and processing of organic foods. It is expected that at least 50 synthetic substances will be presented for recommendations.

Additional topics to be covered in the full NOSB meeting include: labeling for bulk agricultural products used as ingredients in organic foods, and bulk packs not intended for retail sale;

mushroom and greenhouse standards; and livestock living standards, parasiticides, antibiotics, and a working draft on honey.

A final agenda will be available on April 5, 1995. Persons requesting copies should contact Faith Ashton at the above address or phone number.

Type of Meeting

All meetings will be open to the public. Individuals and organizations wishing to provide written comments on these issues or to comment orally on any organic issues should send the request to Dr. Harold S. Ricker at the above address or FAXED to (202) 690-0337 by April 14, 1995, in order to be scheduled. The NOSB has scheduled time for public input on Monday, April 24, 1995, beginning at 1 p.m. and continuing until 5 p.m. While people may sign up to speak at the door, advance scheduling assures an opportunity in the time allowed and helps the NOSB plan its activities. Each individual or organization will be allocated 10 minutes for presenting orally the key issues of concern, and should provide copies of written material elaborating on those issues for the NOSB and USDA.

Dated: March 21, 1995.

Lon Hatamiya,

Administrator.

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Forest Service

Wildcat River Advisory Commission; Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Wildcat River Advisory Commission will meet at the Jackson Town Hall in Jackson, New Hampshire, on May 3, 1995. The purpose of the meeting is to continue with the development of a Draft River Management Plan for administration of the designated Wild and Scenic Wildcat River. The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act requires the establishment of an advisory commission to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on administration of the river. The public is encouraged to attend the meeting and may provide written comment on the plan to the commissioners c/o the district office.

DATES: The meeting will be held May 3, 1995, at 7:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Jackson Town Hall, Route 16B, Jackson, New Hampshire.

Send written comments to David Pratt III, Saco Ranger District, White Mountain National Forest, 33 Kancamagus Highway, Conway, NH 03818.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Pratt III, Saco Ranger District, (603) 447-5482.

Dated: March 16, 1995.

Charles J. Myers,

Acting Forest Supervisor.

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Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. 95-010N]

Pathogen Reduction; Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) Systems; Notice of Scientific/Technical Conference and Request for Papers

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) will hold a scientific/technical conference, "Role of Microbiological Testing in Verifying Food Safety," on May 1-2, 1995, at the Holiday Inn Independence Mall, 4th and Arch Streets, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The purpose of the conference is to explore scientific issues related to microbiological testing for verifying the safety of meat and poultry.

ADDRESSES: Papers should be sent to: Dr. Robert L. Buchanan, Deputy Administrator, Science and Technology, FSIS, USDA, Room 402 Cotton Annex, 14th and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical information, contact Dr. Jennifer Johnson, Microbiologist, Microbiology Division, Science and Technology, FSIS, USDA, Building 322, Barc-East, Beltsville, MD 20705. (301) 504-8792. To register to attend the conference, call Ms. Mary Gioglio (202) 501-7244.

For hotel reservations, call the Holiday Inn Independence Mall at (215) 923-8660.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 3, 1995, FSIS published a proposed rule "Pathogen Reduction; Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) Systems" (60 FR 6774). In that document, the Agency proposed a number of regulatory changes applicable to Federal- and State-inspected meat and poultry establishments. The proposed changes were designed to reduce the occurrence

and numbers of pathogenic microorganisms in meat and poultry products, thereby reducing the incidence of foodborne illness associated with the consumption of these products.

In the proposed rule, FSIS stated that public meetings would be held with the regulated industry and all interested parties to foster the development of beneficial new food safety technologies. FSIS is interested in improving food safety through the use of microbiological testing.

FSIS is aware that any biological characteristic is subject to natural variation. An understanding of the factors influencing variability, particularly relating to collecting samples, must be an integral part of microbiological analyses. FSIS is seeking information on different microbiological testing verification protocols that may assure safer meat and poultry products and, therefore, is hosting a scientific/technical conference.

The conference, "Role of Microbiological Testing in Verifying Food Safety" will be held on May 1-2, 1995, at the Holiday Inn Independence Mall, 4th and Arch Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19106 (215) 923-8660. The conference will begin each day at 8:30 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. on May 1; at 2:00 p.m. on May 2.

Conference Agenda

The conference will consist of three sessions as follows:

Session I: Invited speakers from government agencies, industry, and academia will discuss the use and limitations of microbiological testing for assuring food safety.

Session II: Presentation of papers on the role of microbiological testing in assuring food safety (see **Submission of Papers**).

Session III: The general public attending the conference, on a first-come basis, will have up to five minutes per person to comment on the conference proceedings.

Dr. Robert L. Buchanan, Deputy Administrator, Science and Technology, FSIS will moderate and be joined by a panel consisting of: Dr. Ann Marie McNamara, Director, Microbiology Division, Science and Technology, FSIS; Dr. E. M. Foster, University of Wisconsin; Dr. Bruce Tompkin, Armour Swift Echrich; Dr. Myron Solberg, Rutgers University; Dr. Katherine Swanson, Pillsbury Company; and Dr. Margarite Neill, Brown University. The panel will summarize the presentations and prepare a report of the proceedings. This report will include general