

Bounded on the North by the northern Bureau County line; the northern LaSalle and Grundy County lines; the northern Will County line east-southeast to Interstate 57;

Bounded on the East by Interstate 57 south to U.S. Route 52; U.S. Route 52 south to the Kankakee County line;

Bounded on the South by the southern Kankakee and Grundy County lines; the southern LaSalle County line west to State Route 17; State Route 17 west to U.S. Route 51; U.S. Route 51 north to State Route 18; State Route 18 west to State Route 26; State Route 26 south to State Route 116; State Route 116 south to Interstate 74; Interstate 74 west to the western Peoria County line; and

Bounded on the West by the western Peoria and Stark County lines; the northern Stark County line east to State Route 88; State Route 88 north to the Bureau County line.

Pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the USGSA, the following geographic area, the entire State of California, is assigned to California, except those export port locations within the State which are serviced by GIPSA, and except the geographic area assigned to the Los Angeles Grain Inspection Service, Inc., which is as follows:

Bounded on the North by the Angeles National Forest southern boundary from State Route 2 east; the San Bernadino National Forest southern boundary east to State Route 79;

Bounded on the East by State Route 79 south to State Route 74;

Bounded on the South by State Route 74 west-southwest to Interstate 5; Interstate 5 northwest to Interstate 405; Interstate 405 northwest to State Route 55; State Route 55 northeast to Interstate 5; Interstate 5 northwest to State Route 91; State Route 91 west to State Route 11; and

Bounded on the West by State Route 11 north to U.S. Route 66; U.S. Route 66 west to Interstate 210; Interstate 210 northwest to State Route 2; State Route 2 north to the Angeles National Forest boundary.

Pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the USGSA, the following geographic area, the entire State of Washington, except those export port locations within the State, is assigned to Washington.

Interested persons, including Kankakee, California, and Washington, 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 February 1, 1997, and ending January 31, 2000. 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: July 24, 1996.

Neil E. Porter,

Director, Compliance Division.

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### Designation for the Central Iowa (IA) and Montana Areas

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** GIPSA announces the designation of Central Iowa Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (Central Iowa), and the Montana Department of Agriculture (Montana) to provide official services under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act).

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** September 1, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** USDA, GIPSA, FGIS, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, 1400 Independence Ave. S.W., Washington, DC 20250-3604.

**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.

In the March 1, 1996, Federal Register (61 FR 8025), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the geographic areas assigned to Central Iowa and Montana to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by March 30, 1996. Central Iowa and Montana, the only applicants, each applied for designation to provide official inspection services in the entire areas currently assigned to them.

Since Central Iowa and Montana were the only applicants, GIPSA did not ask for comments on the applicants.

GIPSA evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in Section 7(f)(1)(A) of the Act; and according to Section 7(f)(1)(B), determined that Central Iowa and

Montana are able to provide official services in the geographic areas for which they applied. Effective September 1, 1996, and ending August 31, 1999, Central Iowa and Montana are designated to provide official services in the geographic areas specified in the March 1, 1996, Federal Register.

Interested persons may obtain official services by contacting Central Iowa at 515-266-1101 and Montana 406-452-9561.

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

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### Opportunity to Comment on the Applicants for the Missouri Area

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** GIPSA request comments on the applicants for designation to provide official services in the geographic area currently assigned to the Missouri Department of Agriculture.

**DATES:** Comments must be postmarked, or sent by telecopier (FAX) or electronic mail by September 2, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments must be submitted in writing to USDA, GIPSA, FGIS, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, 1400 Independence Ave. S.W., Washington, DC 20250-3604. Telecopier (FAX) users may send comments to the automatic telecopier machine at 202-690-2755, attention: Janet M. Hart. All comments received will be made available for public inspection at the above 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.

In the May 30, 1996, Federal Register (61 FR 27045), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the geographic area assigned to Missouri to submit an application for designation. There were two applicants: Missouri applied for designation to provide official inspection services in