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Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Designations for the Kankakee (IL) Area and the States of California and Washington

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: GIPSA announces the designation of Kankakee Grain Inspection, Inc. (Kankakee), the California Department of Food and Agriculture (California), and the Washington Department of Agriculture (Washington) to provide official services under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act).

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, 1400 Independence Avenue 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 August 1, 1996, Federal Register (61 FR 40191), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the geographic areas assigned to Kankakee, California, and Washington to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by September 2, 1996. Kankakee, California, and Washington, the only applicants, each applied for designation to provide official services in the entire area currently assigned to them.

Since Kankakee, California, and Washington were the only applicants for the respective areas, 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 Kankakee, California, and Washington are able to provide official services in the geographic areas

for which they applied. Effective February 1, 1997, and ending January 31, 2000, Kankakee, California, and Washington are designated to provide official services in the geographic areas specified in the August 1, 1996, Federal Register.

Interested persons may obtain official services by contacting Kankakee at 815-932-2851, California at 916-654-0743, and Washington at 360-902-1827.

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

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Opportunity for Designation in the Jamestown (ND), Sioux City (IA), and Tischer (IA) Areas

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 designation of Grain Inspection, Inc. (Jamestown), will end July 31, 1997, according to the Act, and the designations of Sioux City Inspection and Weighing Service Company (Sioux City), and A.V. Tischer and Son, Inc. (Tischer), will end June 30, 1997, according to the Act. GIPSA is asking persons interested in providing official services in the Jamestown, Sioux City, and Tischer areas to submit an application for designation.

DATES: Applications must be postmarked or sent by telecopier (FAX) on or before January 31, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted to USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, 1400 Independence Avenue S.W., Washington, DC 20250-3604. Applications may be submitted by FAX on 202-690-2755. If an application is submitted by FAX, 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's 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 Jamestown, main office located in Jamestown, North Dakota, to provide official inspection services under the act on August 1, 1994. GIPSA designated Sioux City, main office located in Sioux City, Iowa, and Tischer, main office located in Fort Dodge, Iowa, to provide official inspection services under the act on July 1, 1994.

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 designation of Jamestown ends on July 31, 1997, according to the act, and the designations of Sioux City and Tischer end on June 30, 1997.

Pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the USGSA, the following geographic area, in the State of North Dakota, is assigned to Jamestown.

Bounded on the North by Interstate 94 east to U.S. Route 85; U.S. Route 85 north to State Route 200; State Route 200 east to U.S. Route 83; U.S. Route 83 southeast to State Route 41; State Route 41 north to State Route 200; State Route 200 east to State Route 3; State Route 3 north to U.S. Route 52; U.S. Route 52 southeast to State Route 15; State Route 15 east to U.S. Route 281; U.S. Route 281 south to Foster County; the northern Foster County line; the northern Griggs County line east to State Route 32;

Bounded on the East by State Route 32 south to State Route 45; State Route 45 south to State Route 200; State Route 200 west to State Route 1; State Route 1 south to the Soo Railroad line; the Soo Railroad line southeast to Interstate 94; Interstate 94 west to State Route 1; State Route 1 south to the Dickey County line;

Bounded on the South by the southern Dickey County line west to U.S. Route 281; U.S. Route 281 north to the Lamoure County line; the southern Lamoure County line; the southern Logan County line west to State Route 13; State Route 13 west to U.S. Route 83; U.S. Route 83 south to the Emmons County line; the southern Emmons County line; the southern Sioux County line west to State Route 49; State Route 49 north to State Route 21; State Route 21 west to the Burlington-Northern (BN) line; the Burlington-Northern (BN) line