

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted to USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604 (Room 1647-S), 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, SW, 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 Arkansas, main office located in Little Rock, Arkansas, to provide official inspection services under the Act on November 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 Arkansas ends on October 31, 1997, according to the Act.

GIPSA, in the April 14, 1997, **Federal Register** (62 FR 18084), asked persons interested in providing official services in the Little Rock area to submit an application for designation. Arkansas was the only applicant. Since Arkansas was the only applicant, GIPSA did not ask for comments.

GIPSA has evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria prescribed in section 7(f)(1)(A) of the Act and according to the provisions of Section 7(f), determined that the designation Arkansas will not be renewed. GIPSA is again asking persons interested in providing official services in the Little Rock area, as described in the April 14, 1997, **Federal Register**, to submit an application for designation.

Interested persons are hereby given the opportunity to apply for designation to provide official services in the geographic area specified in the April 14, 1997, **Federal Register**. Effective

November 1, 1997, until an official agency can be selected, requests for official services should be directed to GIPSA's Stuttgart, Arkansas, Field Office at 501-673-2508. 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: September 19, 1997.

Neil E. Porter,

Director, Compliance Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Designations for the Los Angeles (CA) and Ohio Valley (IN) Areas

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: GIPSA announces the designation of Los Angeles Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (Los Angeles), and Ohio Valley Grain Inspection, Inc. (Ohio Valley), to provide official services under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act).

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 1997.

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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 April 14, 1997, **Federal Register** (62 FR 18084), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the geographic areas assigned to Los Angeles and Ohio Valley to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by May 30, 1997. Los Angeles and Ohio Valley, the only applicants, each applied for designation to provide

official services in the entire area currently assigned to them.

Since Los Angeles and Ohio Valley 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 Los Angeles and Ohio Valley are able to provide official services in the geographic areas for which they applied. Effective November 1, 1997, and ending October 31, 2000, Los Angeles and Ohio Valley are designated to provide official services in the geographic areas specified in the April 14, 1997, **Federal Register**.

Interested persons may obtain official services by contacting Los Angeles at 213-721-9216 and Ohio Valley at 812-858-5444.

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

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Director, Compliance Division.

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BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal Large Household Follow-up

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before December 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Maureen Lynch, Bureau of the Census, DMD Room 2301 Building 2, Washington, DC 20233-0001, telephone (301) 457-4092.