

comments on the draft EIS should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft EIS or the merits of the alternative formulated and discussed in the statement. (Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.)

In the final EIS, the Forest Service is required to respond to substantive comments and responses received during the comment period that pertain to the environmental consequences discussed in the draft EIS and applicable laws, regulations, and policies considered in making a decision regarding the proposal. The Responsible Official is Karyn L. Wood, Forest Supervisor for the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest. The Responsible Official will document the decision and rationale for the decision in the Record of Decision. That decision will be subject to appeal under 36 CFR Part 215.

Dated: February 9, 1999.

**William R. Gast,**

*Deputy Forest Supervisor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

#### Designation Amendment for Southern Illinois To Provide Official Services in the Alton, Illinois Area

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the United States Grain Standards Act, we have amended the designation of Southern Illinois Grain Inspection Services, Inc. (Southern Illinois), to include the former Alton, Illinois, area.

**DATES:** Effective on February 2, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, Room 1647-S, 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 September 2, 1997, **Federal Register** (62 FR 46246), GIPSA announced the designation of Southern Illinois to provide official inspection services under the Act effective October 1, 1997, and ending September 30, 2000. Southern Illinois asked GIPSA to amend their geographic area to include the former Alton, Illinois, area, due to the purchase of the designated corporation, Alton Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (Alton).

Section 7A(c)(2) of the Act authorizes GIPSA's Administrator to designate an agency to provide official services within a specified geographic area, if such agency is qualified under Section 7(f)(1)(A) of the Act. GIPSA evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in Section 7(f)(1)(A) of the Act, and determined that Southern Illinois is qualified.

GIPSA announces designation of Southern Illinois to provide official inspection services under the Act, in the former Alton, Illinois, area effective February 2, 1999, and ending September 30, 2000, concurrently with the end of Southern Illinois' current designation.

Pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the Act, the following geographic area, in the State of Illinois, is assigned to Southern Illinois.

Bounded on the East by the eastern Cumberland County line; the eastern Jasper County line south to State Route 33; State Route 33 east-southeast to the Indiana-Illinois State line; the Indiana-Illinois State line south to the southern Gallatin County line;

Bounded on the South by the southern Gallatin, Saline, and Williamson County lines; the southern Jackson County line west to U.S. Route 51; U.S. Route 51 north to State Route 13; State Route 13 northwest to State Route 149; State Route 149 west to State Route 3; State Route 3 northwest to State Route 51; State Route 51 south to the Mississippi River; and

Bounded on the West by the Mississippi River north to the northern Calhoun County line;

Bounded on the North by the northern and eastern Calhoun County lines; the northern and eastern Jersey County lines; the northern Madison County line; the western Montgomery County line north to a point on this line that intersects with a straight line, from the junction of State Route 111 and the northern Macoupin County line to the junction of Interstate 55 and State Route 16 (in Montgomery County); from this

point southeast along the straight line to the junction of Interstate 55 and State Route 16; State Route 16 east-northeast to a point approximately 1 mile northeast of Irving; a straight line from this point to the northern Fayette County line; the northern Fayette, Effingham, and Cumberland County lines.

Effective February 2, 1999, Southern Illinois' present geographic area is amended to include the area formerly assigned to Alton. Southern Illinois' designation to provide official inspection services ends September 30, 2000. Official services may be obtained by contacting Southern Illinois at 618-632-1921.

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

Dated: February 9, 1999.

**Neil E. Porter,**

*Director, Compliance Division.*

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## ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY

### The Director's Advisory Committee; Notice of Closed Meetings

February 5, 1999.

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2 section 10(a)(2) (1996), the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA) announces the following Advisory Committee meetings:

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

*Dates and Places:* February 22-23, 1999, State Department Building, 320 21st Street, NW., Room 5930, Washington, DC 20451; February 24, 1999, Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri; March 11-12, 1999, State Department Building, 320 21st Street, NW., Room 5930, Washington, DC 20451.

*Type of Meetings:* Closed.

*Contact:* Robert Sherman, Executive Director, Director's Advisory Committee, Room 5844, Washington, DC 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 with respect to 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 Convention on Conventional Weapons. Members will also be briefed on issues regarding the Chemical and Biological