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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

Commission on 21st Century Production Agriculture Meeting

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has established the Commission on 21st Century Production Agriculture. In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), notice is hereby given of the sixth meeting of the Commission on 21st Century Production Agriculture. The purpose of this meeting is to prepare for the Commission's final report on the effects of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 and any other necessary business. This meeting will be open to the public.

PLACE, DATE, AND TIME OF MEETING: The meeting will be held in Room 221-A, Jamie L. Whitten Federal Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, from 8:30–5:00 EST on July 8, 1999, and 8:30 am–12 noon EST on July 9, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tim Peters (202–720–4860), Assistant Director, Commission on 21st Century Production Agriculture, c/o Office of the Chief Economist, or Keith J. Collins (202–720–5955), Chief Economist, Room 3702, South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue., Washington, D.C. 20250–0524.

Dated: June 21, 1999.

Keith J. Collins

Chief Economist

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

Notice of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board Northeast Regional Listening Session

AGENCY: Research, Education, and Economics, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of *Listening Session*.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., the United States Department of Agriculture announces a *Northeast Regional Listening Session* of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board, which represents 30 constituent categories, as specified in section 802 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (Pub. L. No. 104–127), will send representatives of its membership (6 members, the Executive Director, a Representative from the Research, Education, and Economics Mission area, and a USDA administrative support person) to the Joint Northeast Region Sections Conference to hold a *Northeast Regional Listening Session*, 8:00 a.m. until noon on July 12, 1999.

The *Northeast Regional Listening Session* will engage northeast regional stakeholders (small farmers, producers/ranchers, academia including 1890 and 1994 institutions, the private sector, and other stakeholder groups) in panel sessions to present statements to Advisory Board members on agricultural research and education priorities and other issues of significant concern to the Northeast Region. Findings of this *Listening Session* will be presented to the full Advisory Board for consideration in its ongoing effort to advise USDA on future agricultural research and education priorities. Time will be allowed at the end of *Listening Session* panels for open discussion and audience participation.

Dates: *Northeast Regional Listening Session*, July 12, 1999, 8:00 a.m. until noon.

Place: Sheraton Harborside Hotel, Portsmouth, NH.

Type of Meeting: Open to the public.

Comments: The public may file written comments before or within 2 weeks after the meeting with the contact person. All statements will become a part of the official records of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board and will be kept on file for public review in the Office of the Advisory Board; Research, Education, and Economics; U.S. Department of Agriculture; Washington, D.C. 20250–2255.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah Hanfman, Executive Director, National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board, Research, Education, and Economics Advisory Board Office, Room 3918 South Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP: 2255, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250–2255. Telephone: 202–720–3684. Fax: 202–720–6199, or e-mail: lshea@reeusda.gov.

Done at Washington, D.C. this 23rd day of June 1999.

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Under Secretary, Research, Education, and Economics.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Food Distribution Program: Substitution of Donated Poultry With Commercial Poultry

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the Food and Nutrition Service's (FNS) intent to continue a demonstration project to test program changes designed to improve the State processing of donated poultry by allowing the substitution of donated poultry supplied by the Department of Agriculture (the Department) with commercial poultry. The Department is currently operating a demonstration project that allows selected poultry processors to substitute commercial poultry for donated poultry in the State processing of donated poultry. Only bulk pack poultry and poultry parts are eligible for substitution under the current demonstration