

requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR § 404.7.

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*Assistant Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Research Service

#### Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to R. J. Van Drunen & Sons, Inc. of Momence, Illinois, an exclusive license to the invention disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 6,060,519 (S.N. 09/130,788) issued on May 9, 2000, entitled "Soluble Hydrocolloid Food Additives and Method of Making." Notice of Availability was published in the **Federal Register** on November 3, 1999.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before November 13, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Rm. 4-1158, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-5131.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301-504-5257.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Government's patent rights in this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as R. J. Van Drunen & Sons, Inc. has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within sixty (60) days from the date of this published Notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

#### Solicitation of Nominations for Members of the Grain Inspection Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice to solicit nominees.

**SUMMARY:** The Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) is announcing that nominations are being sought for persons to serve on GIPSA's Grain Inspection Advisory Committee.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under authority of section 20 of the United States Grain Standards Act (Act) Pub. L. 97-35, the Secretary of Agriculture established the Grain Inspection Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) on September 29, 1981, to provide advice to the Administrator on implementation of the Act. Section 14 of the United States Grain Standards Act Amendments of 1993, Pub. L. 103-156, extended the authority for the Advisory Committee through September 30, 2000.

The Advisory Committee presently consists of 15 members, appointed by the Secretary, who represent the interests of grain producers, processors, handlers, merchandisers, consumers, and exporters, including scientists with expertise in research related to the policies in section 2 of the Act. Members of the Committee serve without compensation. They are reimbursed for travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, for travel away from their homes or regular places of business in performance of Committee service, as authorized under section 5703 of title 5, United States Code. Alternatively, travel expenses may be paid by Committee members.

Nominations are being sought for persons to serve on the Advisory Committee to replace the five members and the five alternate members whose terms expire in March 2001.

Persons interested in serving on the Advisory Committee, or in nominating individuals to serve, should contact: GIPSA, by telephone (202-720-0219), fax (202-205-9237), or electronic mail (mplaus@gipsadc.usda.gov) and request Form AD-755. Form AD-755 may also be obtained via the Internet through GIPSA's homepage at: <http://www.usda.gov/gipsa/thisis/ac/ad755.pdf>. Completed forms must be submitted to GIPSA by fax or at the following address: GIPSA, 1400

Independence Ave., SW, Stop 3601, Washington, DC 20250-3601. Form AD-755 must be received not later than October 16, 2000.

Nominations are open to all individuals without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, mental or physical handicap, marital status, or sexual orientation. To ensure that recommendations of the Committee take into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership shall include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

The final selection of Advisory Committee members and alternates will be made by the Secretary.

Dated: September 7, 2000.

**James R. Baker,**

*Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Natural Resources Conservation Service

#### Availability of Proposed Changes to Conservation Standards in Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide, South Dakota

**AGENCY:** USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of proposed changes to conservation practice standards in Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) of NRCS in South Dakota for review and comment.

**SUMMARY:** It is the intention of NRCS in South Dakota to issue a revised conservation practice standard in Section IV of the FOTG for the following practice: Constructed Wetland (656).

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received on or before October 16, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments concerning the proposed conservation practice standard changes should be addressed to: Dean Fisher, State Conservationist, NRCS, 200 Fourth Street SW, Huron, South Dakota 57350. Copies of these standards will be made available upon written request.

Dated: August 30, 2000.

**Dean Fisher,**

*State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Huron, South Dakota 57350.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Rural Utilities Service**

**Title Evidence Requirements for Real Property—Electric Program**

**AGENCY:** Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Policy statement.

**SUMMARY:** Rural Electrification Administration (REA) Bulletin 20-3, July 1956, "Obtaining Adequate Right-of-way and Submission of Title Evidence by REA Electric Borrowers" (Bulletin 20-3), is rescinded because it has not been updated to reflect subsequently published Rural Utilities Service (RUS) regulations and is obsolete.

**DATES:** Effective September 14, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gail P. Salgado, Management Analyst, Office of the Assistant Administrator, Electric Program, Rural Utilities Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 4024-S, Stop 1560, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-1560. Telephone: 202-205-3660. FAX: 202-690-0717. E-mail: GSalgado@rus.usda.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In 1995, RUS as the successor to REA developed and published new model forms of the electric distribution loan contract, set forth at 7 CFR Part 1718, Appendix A to Subpart C, and mortgage, set forth at 7 CFR part 1718, Appendix A to Subpart B. These contemporary documents are designed to provide the government with the assurance of reasonably adequate security for loans to electric distribution borrowers. Among other matters, the documents require that the borrower have good and marketable title to all mortgaged property including any real property owned or acquired for use in the construction and operation of the borrower's utility system (See 7 CFR part 1718, Appendix A to Subpart C, Model Form of Loan Contract, Section 2.1, Representations and Warranties). In the case of power supply borrowers, the requirements for loan security are generally set forth in 7 CFR 1710.113. Title requirements for mortgaged property are typically already set forth with greater specificity in the individual loan documents used by each power supply borrower. See also,

§ 1710.401(a)(7), setting out mortgage information required to be submitted as part of the loan application process.

RUS has determined that it will no longer routinely require the submission of detailed title evidence in connection with the construction of distribution, transmission, and headquarters facilities. However, RUS is retaining the right to require additional evidence of title in unusual individual cases. In such cases, RUS will request the borrower to submit any such additional necessary title evidence as part of its application for assistance. RUS will continue to require title evidence for generation projects.

It is expected that as a prudent utility, each borrower will comply with the provisions of its loan documents and continue obtaining sufficient and adequate right-of-way authorizations and title to any real estate it requires for the construction and operation of its facilities.

Effective September 14, 2000, REA Bulletin 20-3, July 1956, "Obtaining Adequate Right-of-way and Submission of Title Evidence by REA Electric Borrowers" (Bulletin 20-3), is rescinded and borrowers are no longer required to submit title documents to RUS as required by its provisions. However, RUS does retain the right to require additional evidence in unusual individual cases.

Dated: September 6, 2000.

**Christopher A. McLean,**

*Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.*

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**BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**Performance Review Board Members**

**AGENCY:** Broadcasting Board of Governors.

**ACTION:** Notice of membership.

**SUMMARY:** This Notice is issued to announce the membership of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) Performance Review Board.

**DATES:** September 14, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Linda C. Beard (Executive Secretary), Office of Personnel, Broadcasting Board of Governors, 330 Independence Avenue S.W., Washington, D.C. 20237, Telephone: (202) 619-1523.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with sections 4314(c) (1) through (5) of the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95454), the following is a list of members of the

1999 Performance Review Board for the Broadcasting Board of Governors.

**Chairperson:** Director for International Broadcasting Bureau, Brian Conniff (Acting). **Panel 1—International Broadcasting Bureau SES Members**  
**Chairperson:** Chief of Staff for the Broadcasting Board of Governors Josiah H. Beeman. **Panel 2: Broadcasting Board of Governors SES Members Career SES Members**  
Patricia Popovich, Deputy Chief, Information Officer For Management, Information Resources Management Bureau, Department of State.  
Mike Blank, Executive Officer for the Immediate Office of the Secretary for Health and Human Services  
Stephen S. Smith, Associate Director for Management, International Broadcasting Bureau, Broadcasting Board of Governors

*Alternate Career SES Members*

William E. Todd, Executive Director, Bureau of Finance and Management Policies, Department of State  
Delores Parron, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Program Systems, ASPE, Health and Human Services

Dated: September 8, 2000.

**John S. Welch,**

*Director, Office of Personnel.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

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**Brass Sheet and Strip From the Netherlands: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review**

**AGENCY:** Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of final results of antidumping duty administrative review.

**SUMMARY:** We determine that sales of the subject merchandise have not been made below normal value (NV). We will instruct the U.S. Customs Service (Customs Service) not to assess antidumping duties on the subject merchandise exported by this company.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 14, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James Terpstra or Geoffrey Craig, AD/CVD Enforcement, Office VI, Group II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and