

**3. Request for Comments**

GIPSA also is publishing this notice to provide interested persons the opportunity to present comments on the East Indiana, Fremont, and Titus official agencies. Commenters are encouraged to submit pertinent data concerning the East Indiana, Fremont, and Titus official agencies including information on the timeliness, cost, quality, and scope of services provided. All comments must be submitted to the Compliance Division at the above address.

Applications, comments, 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.*).

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**Neil E. Porter,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration**

[00-02-S]

**Designation for the Minnesota, Virginia, Frankfort (IN), and Indianapolis (IN) Areas**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** GIPSA announces designation of the following organizations to provide official services under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act):

- Minnesota Department of Agriculture (Minnesota);
- Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (Virginia);
- Frankfort Grain Inspection, Inc. (Frankfort); and
- Indianapolis Grain Inspection and Weighing Service, Inc. (Indianapolis).

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** January 1, 2001 for Minnesota; February 1, 2001 for Virginia; and March 1, 2001 for Frankfort and Indianapolis.

**ADDRESSES:** USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, Room 1647-S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-3604.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet M. Hart at 202-720-8525, e-mail [janhart@gipsadc.usda.gov](mailto:janhart@gipsadc.usda.gov).

**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 March 1, 2000, **Federal Register** (65 FR 11036), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services

in the geographic areas assigned to Minnesota to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by March 30, 2000. In the June 1, 2000, **Federal Register** (65 FR 35044), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the geographic areas assigned to Virginia, Frankfort, and Indianapolis to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by June 30, 2000.

Each was the sole applicant for designation to provide official services in the entire area currently assigned to them, so 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 each official agency is able to provide official services in the geographic areas, specified in the March 1, 2000 and June 1, 2000 **Federal Registers**, for which they applied. Interested persons may obtain official services by calling the telephone numbers listed below.

Official agency	Designation start	Designation end	Telephone
Minnesota .....	01/01/2001	09/30/01	612-341-7190
Virginia .....	02/01/2001	12/31/2003	757-494-2464
Frankfort .....	03/01/2000	12/31/2003	765-258-3624
Indianapolis .....	03/01/2000	12/31/2003	317-899-2337

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Natural Resources Conservation Service**

**Notice of Proposed Change to the Natural Resources Conservation Service—Arizona's Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide**

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), U.S. Department of Agriculture.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of proposed changes in the NRCS Arizona Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide for review and comment.

**SUMMARY:** It is the intention of NRCS Arizona to issue a series of new conservation practice standards in its

Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide. These new standards include Nutrient Management (Code 590) and Waste Management System (Code 312).

**DATES:** Comments will be received on or before January 2, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Inquire in writing to Noller Herbert, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), 3003 N. Central Ave., Suite 800, Phoenix, AZ, 85012-2945.

Copies of these standards are available from the NRCS, attention: Noller Herbert, 3003 N. Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, AZ 85012-2945 or can be downloaded from the NRCS Arizona ftp site: <ftp://ftp.az.nrcs.usda.gov/fotg/sec4/draft>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture