

parentheses represents a percentage weight factor):

(a) Applicant's Contribution Level (40)

- The applicant's 4-year average share (1998–2001) of all contributions (cash and goods and services provided by U.S. entities in support of overseas marketing and promotion activities) compared to
- The applicant's 4-year average share (1998–2001) of the funding level for all MAP participants.

(b) Past Performance (30)

- The 3-year average share (1998–2000) of the value of exports promoted by the applicant compared to
- The applicant's 2-year average share (1999–2000) of the funding level for all MAP applicants plus, for those groups participating in the Cooperator program, the 2-year average share (2000–2001) of Cooperator marketing plan budgets, and the 2-year average share (1999–2000) of foreign overhead provided for co-location within a U.S. agricultural office;

(c) Projected Export Goals (15)

- The total dollar value of projected exports promoted by the applicant for 2001 compared to
- The applicant's requested funding level;

(d) Accuracy of Past Projections (15)

- Actual exports for 1999 as reported in the 2001 MAP application compared to
- Past projections of exports for 1999 as specified in the 1999 MAP application.

The Commodity Divisions' recommended funding level for each applicant is converted to a percentage of the total MAP funds available and multiplied by the total weight factor as described above to determine the amount of funds allocated to each applicant.

Closing Date for Applications

All Internet-based applications must be properly submitted by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, March 12, 2001. Signed certification statements also must be received by that time at one of the addresses listed below.

All applications on diskette (with two accompanying paper copies and a signed certification statement) and any other applications must be received by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, March 12, 2001, at one of the following addresses:

Hand Delivery (including FedEx, DHL, UPS, etc.): U.S. Department of Agriculture, Foreign Agricultural Service, Marketing Operations Staff,

Room 4932–S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250–1042.

U.S. Postal Delivery: Marketing Operations Staff, STOP 1042, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250–1042.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service Guidelines for State Plans of Work for the Agricultural Research and Extension Formula Funds

AGENCY: Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service.

ACTION: Final notice.

SUMMARY: The Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES) published Guidelines for the State Plans of Work for Agricultural Research and Extension Formula Funds on July 1, 1999 [64 FR 35910–35919]. The guidelines prescribe the procedures to be followed by the eligible institutions receiving Federal agricultural research and extension formula funds under the Hatch Act of 1887, as amended (7 U.S.C. 361a *et seq.*); sections 3(b)(1) and (c) of the Smith-Lever Act of 1914, as amended (7 U.S.C. 343(b)(1) and (c)); and sections 1444 and 1445 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, as amended (7 U.S.C. 3221 and 3222). The recipients of these funds are commonly referred to as the 1862 land-grant institutions and the 1890 land-grant institutions, including Tuskegee University. CSREES is publishing this notice to inform these institutions that the due date for the Annual Report of Accomplishments and Results is changed from December 31 to March 1. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. George Cooper; Deputy Administrator, Partnerships; Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service; U.S. Department of Agriculture; Washington, DC 20250; at 202–720–5285 or 202–720–5369, 202–720–4924 (fax); or via electronic mail at bhewitt@reeusda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Guidelines for State Plans of Work provide guidance for the submission of a 5-Year Plan of Work for the use of the

agricultural research and extension formula funds described above. The first 5-Year Plan of Work was due July 15, 1999, for the period covering October 1, 1999, through September 30, 2004. In addition, the Guidelines prescribe procedures for updating the 5-Year Plan of Work, if necessary, and for reporting annually on the accomplishments and results of the plan. The latter report is referred to as the Annual Report of Accomplishments and Results. CSREES has decided, in consultation with the land-grant institutions, to change the due date for the Annual Report of Accomplishments and Results from December 31 to March 1. Therefore, the first report will be due March 1, 2001, and not December 31, 2000. It is anticipated that the additional two months will provide the institutions more time each year to report on their accomplishments and results for the fiscal year ending September 30.

Done at Washington, DC, this 21st day of December 2000.

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Administrator, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Announcement of the Emerging Markets Program for Fiscal Year 2001

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the application period for the Fiscal Year 2001 Emerging Markets Program.

DATES: All proposals must be received by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, March 12, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marketing Operations Staff, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 1042, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250–1042, phone: (202) 720–4327, fax: (202) 720–9361, email: emo@fas.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

The Emerging Markets Program is authorized by Section 1542(d)(1)(D) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, as amended (the Act). Up to \$10 million is available to fund the program each fiscal year.