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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Final Information Quality Guidelines

AGENCY: U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: USAID's Final Information Quality Guidelines is available on the USAID Web site http://www.usaid.gov/about/info_quality/.

DATES: October 1, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Margaret A. Miller, M/AA, USAID, Room 2.12.036 RRB, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20523.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to OMB Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility and Integrity of Information Disseminated by Federal Agencies, USAID's final information quality guidelines, which have been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget, are available to the public on the USAID Web site: http://www.usaid.gov/about/info_quality.

Dated: September 24, 2002.

Richard C. Nygard,
Deputy CIO for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Doc. # CN-02-004]

Recommendations of Advisory Committee on Universal Cotton Standards

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) held a meeting of the Universal Cotton Standards Advisory Committee in Memphis, Tennessee on June 13 and 14, 2002. This notice announces that the Advisory Committee recommended the creation and addition of two Universal Micronaire Cotton Standards that represent the high and low ends of the American Upland micronaire range. Also, the Advisory Committee recommended that "Guidelines for HVI Testing" should be referenced to provide accepted procedures for standardized HVI testing. These guidelines can be obtained on the Internet from the USDA, AMS, Cotton Program's Web site at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cotton/cnpubs>.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 2, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the Advisory Committee's recommendations to Norma McDill, Deputy Administrator, Cotton Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, Washington, DC 20250-0224. Comments should be submitted in triplicate. Comments may also be submitted electronically to: cottoncomments@usda.gov. All comments should reference the docket number and the date and page number of the issue of the **Federal Register**. All comments received will be made available for public inspection at Cotton Program, AMS, USDA, Room 2641-S, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250-0224 during regular business hours. A copy of this notice may be found at: www.ams.usda.gov/cotton/rulemaking.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Norma McDill, Deputy Administrator, Cotton Program, AMS, USDA, Stop 0224, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250-0224, telephone (202) 720-3193, facsimile (202) 690-1718, or e-mail at Norma.McDill@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Universal Cotton Standards Advisory Committee meets triennially to consider any necessary changes to the Universal Cotton Standards and to review freshly prepared sets of Universal Cotton Standards for conformity with the existing standards.

At its June 13-14, 2002 meeting, the committee recommended the creation and addition of two Universal Micronaire Calibration Cotton Standards that represent the high and low ends of the American Upland micronaire range. The committee also recommended that "HVI Guidelines for HVI Testing" should be referenced to provide accepted procedures and practices for standardized HVI testing. These guidelines can be obtained on the Internet at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cotton/cnpubs>.

High Volume Instrument (HVI) Classing of cotton has been available on an optional basis since 1980. Since 1991, HVI classification has been provided on all cotton classed by USDA along with the classer color grade and leaf grade, which conform to the Universal Grade Standards. HVI systems provide the most scientific and reliable sources of cotton quality information available. The advisory committee includes representatives of all segments of the U.S. cotton industry and the 23 overseas cotton associations that are signatories to the Universal Cotton Standards Agreement. Adoption of these recommendations will continue to facilitate establishing a universal language for the marketing of U.S. cotton under the HVI classification system.

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Dated: September 25, 2002

A.J. Yates,

Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. 02-054-1]

General Conference Committee of the National Poultry Improvement Plan; Reestablish

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of reestablishment.

SUMMARY: We are giving notice that the Secretary of Agriculture has reestablished the General Conference Committee of the National Poultry