

Andersons, Delphi, Carroll County; Frick Services, Inc., Leiters Ford, Fulton County; and Cargill, Inc., Linden, Montgomery County (located inside Frankfort Grain Inspection, Inc.'s, area).

Opportunity for Designation

Interested persons, including East Indiana, Fremont, State Grain, and Titus, may apply for designation to provide official services in the geographic areas specified above under the provisions of Section 7(f) of USGSA (7 U.S.C. 79(f)(2)), and 9 CFR 800.196(d) regulations. Designation in the specified geographic areas is for the period beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2010. To apply for designation, contact the Compliance Division at the address listed above for forms and information, or obtain applications at the GIPSA Web site, <http://www.gipsa.usda.gov>.

Request for Comments

We are also publishing this notice to provide interested persons the opportunity to present comments on the quality of services provided by the East Indiana, Fremont, State Grain, and Titus official agencies. In the designation process, we will consider substantive comments citing reasons and pertinent data for support or objection to the designation of the applicants. Submit all comments to the Compliance Division at the above address.

In determining which applicant will be designated, we will consider applications, comments, and other available information.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*

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Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Designation for the Sacramento (CA), Frankfort (IN), Indianapolis (IN), and Virginia Areas

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: We are announcing designation of the following organizations to provide official services under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (USGSA): California Agri Inspection Company, Ltd. (California Agri); Frankfort Grain

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Guagliardo at 202-720-7312, e-mail Karen.W.Guagliardo@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the June 16, 2006, **Federal Register** (71 FR 34882-34883), we requested applications for designation to provide official services in the geographic areas assigned to the official agencies named above. Applications were due by July 14, 2006.

There were two applicants for the Sacramento area: California Agri and Mid-Iowa Grain Inspection, Inc. (Mid-Iowa); both are currently designated official agencies. Mid-Iowa withdrew its application. Frankfort, Indianapolis, and Virginia were the sole applicants for designation to provide official services in the entire area currently assigned to them, so GIPSA did not ask for additional comments on them.

We evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in Section 7(f)(1)(A) of USGSA (7 U.S.C. 79(f)) and, according to Section 7(f)(1)(B), determined that California Agri, Frankfort, Indianapolis, and Virginia are able to provide official services in the geographic areas specified in the June 16, 2006, **Federal Register**, for which they applied. You may obtain official services by calling the telephone numbers listed below.

| Official agency | Headquarters location and telephone | Designation start-end |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| California Agri ... | West Sacramento, CA, (916) 375-5809. | 1/01/2007-12/31/2009 |
| Frankfort | Frankfort, IN, (765) 258-3624. | 1/01/2007-12/31/2009 |
| Indianapolis | Indianapolis, IN, (317) 899-2337. | 1/01/2007-12/31/2009 |
| Virginia | Richmond, VA, (757) 494-2464. | 1/01/2007-12/31/2009 |

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Inviting Applications for Rural Business Opportunity Grants

AGENCY: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBS), an Agency within the Rural Development mission area, announces the availability of grants of up to \$50,000 per application from the Rural Business Opportunity Grant (RBOG) program for fiscal year (FY) 2007, to be competitively awarded. For multi-State projects, grant funds of up to \$150,000 will be available on a competitive basis. The awards are being capped due to limited funding. This notice is being issued prior to passage of a final appropriations bill, which may or may not provide for funding this program, to allow applicants sufficient time to leverage financing, submit applications, and give the Agency time to process applications within the current fiscal year. The Agency will publish a subsequent notice identifying the amount received in the appropriations, if any.

DATES: The deadline for the receipt of non-earmarked applications in the Rural Development State Office is March 30, 2007. If the RBOG appropriation provides earmarks for Native American, Empowerment Zones, Enterprise Communities, and Rural Economic Area Partnerships, then those applications must be received in the Rural Development State Office by January 31, 2007. The Agency reserves the right to extend this application deadline. If no earmark is provided in the appropriations, applications from these applicants will compete in the March 30, 2007, competition. Any applications received at a Rural Development State Office after these dates would not be considered for FY 2007 funding.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cindy Mason, Loan Specialist, USDA Rural Development, STOP 3225, Room 6866, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-3225. Telephone: (202) 690-1433.

ADDRESSES: For further information, entities wishing to apply for assistance should contact a Rural Development State Office to receive copies of the application package. Potential applicants located in the District of Columbia must send their applications to the National Office at: