

of your tobacco contract price. You must provide us with a marketing record acceptable to us which clearly shows the number of pounds, price per pound, and the quality of such tobacco.

(5) Any reduction in the production to count will be determined by:

(i) Dividing the price per pound as determined by us in accordance with section 12(e)(2) of these Crop Provisions by your applicable tobacco contract price; and

(ii) Multiplying this result by the number of pounds of damaged production.

13. Late Planting.

In lieu of late planting provisions in the Basic Provisions regarding acreage initially planted after the final planting date, insurance will be provided for acreage planted to the insured crop after the final planting date as follows:

(a) The production guarantee (per acre) for acreage planted during the late planting period will be reduced by:

(1) One percent per day for the 1st through the 10th day; and

(2) Two percent per day for the 11th through the 15th day;

(b) The premium amount for insurable acreage planted to the insured crop after the final planting date will be the same as that for timely planted acreage. If the amount of premium you are required to pay (gross premium less our subsidy) for acreage planted after the final planting date exceeds the liability on such acreage, coverage for those acres will not be provided (no premium will be due and no indemnity will be paid for such acreage).

14. Prevented Planting.

Your prevented planting coverage will be 35 percent of your production guarantee for timely planted acreage. Additional prevented planting coverage levels are not available for tobacco.

Signed in Washington, DC, on May 15, 2007.

Eldon Gould,

Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

7 CFR Part 1485

RIN Number: 0051-AA69

Market Access Program

AGENCY: Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA.

ACTION: Advance notice of proposed rulemaking and public hearing.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) is soliciting comments on whether to amend and revise the regulation at 7 CFR part 1485 for the purpose of improving the effectiveness of the program. This action announces the comment period and the date, time, and location for a public hearing on the proposed rulemaking. The Market Access Program (MAP) is administered by personnel of the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS).

DATES: Written comments on the proposed rulemaking must be received on or before Monday, August 13, 2007, to be assured of consideration. FAS will conduct a public hearing in order to receive oral and written comments. The hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, July 25, 2007, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The hearing scheduled for July 25, 2007, will be held in the Jefferson Auditorium at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250.

Comments may be hand delivered (including FedEx, DHL, UPS, etc.) to: Program Policy Staff, Office of Trade Programs, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1250 Maryland Avenue, SW., Suite 400, Washington, DC 20024-2162. Comments may also be delivered through the U.S. mail to: Program Policy Staff, Office of Trade Programs, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., STOP 1042, Washington, DC 20250-1042. All written comments received will be available for public inspection at the above address during business hours from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Persons with disabilities who require an alternative means for communication of information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mark Slupek, Director, Program Policy Staff, Office of Trade Programs, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, (202) 720-4327; fax (202) 720-9361.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The current regulation was last amended on June 2, 1998. FAS now has sufficient experience to propose further changes to improve the program's effectiveness. MAP funding helps to create, expand, and maintain commercial export markets for U.S. agricultural products. The program forms partnerships between non-profit

U.S. agricultural trade associations, U.S. agricultural cooperatives, non-profit state-regional trade groups, small U.S. businesses, and the CCC to share the costs of international marketing and promotional activities. Any future amendment of the regulation could be expected to include revision of outdated language. For example, the current regulation does not reflect the organizational changes resulting from the recent reorganization of FAS.

Issues for Public Comment

I. With respect to proposed administrative changes, comments on these specific issues are being requested:

(a) Application process and activity plan. FAS is seeking comments on updating and merging the list of application requirements under § 1485.13(a) and the activity plan requirements under § 1485.15 to reflect the Unified Export Strategy system that is currently in place.

(b) Approval Criteria. FAS is seeking comments on the application approval criteria and allocation factors identified under § 1485.14(b) and (c).

II. With respect to amending and revising the scope and coverage of the regulation, FAS is soliciting comments regarding the feasibility of the changes proposed below and views regarding how they might be implemented.

(a) Expanding the scope of the program to include activities designed to address international market access issues. FAS is aware of the increasing numbers of trade barriers that disrupt the export of U.S. agricultural products in mature markets and is considering modifying the program to ensure that appropriate activities of this type would be reimbursable.

(b) Modifying the lists of eligible and ineligible contributions [currently found at § 1485.13(c)] to better identify in-kind and third party contributions.

(c) Modifying the lists of reimbursable and non-reimbursable activities [currently found at § 1485.16(b), (c), and (d)] to clarify existing activities and to include the use of electronic technologies not considered in the current regulation.

(d) Revising the portions of the regulation regarding contracting procedures [currently found at § 1485.23(c)]. The current regulation may not address the full range of contracting situations faced by participants. It may be necessary to identify the differences between employees, consultants, and contractors.

(e) Revising the portions of the regulation regarding the compliance review and appeals processes. The

current regulation does not describe the compliance review and appeals processes in a single, cohesive section. A unified compliance section may improve the regulation.

(f) Revising the portions of the regulation regarding evaluation [currently found at § 1485.20(c)] to include requirements for country progress reports and success stories.

(g) Eliminating the Export Incentive Program/Market Access Program (EIP/MAP) subcomponent. FAS does not currently operate the EIP/MAP subcomponent and is considering removing reference to the subcomponent from the regulation.

III. With respect to risk management, FAS is soliciting comments regarding the mitigation of the risk inherent to reimbursing third party contracting expenses and brand participant activities with program funds. This could include improved accounting controls, insurance against fraud, bonding employees, or other risk management tools.

IV. In addition, FAS requests comments on any other aspect of the program set forth at 7 CFR part 1485 which commenters believe should be addressed in any future amendment of the regulation.

Dated: May 10, 2007.

W. Kirk Miller,

Acting Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, and Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

9 CFR Part 1

[Docket No. APHIS-2006-0158]

Animal Welfare; Petition for Rulemaking

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of petition and request for comments; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: We are extending the comment period for our notice of petition and request for comments concerning the definition of *Class "B" licensee* in the Animal Welfare Act regulations. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before July 9, 2007.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, select "Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service" from the agency drop-down menu, then click "Submit." In the Docket ID column, select APHIS-2006-0158 to submit or view public comments and to view supporting and related materials available electronically. Information on using [Regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), including instructions for accessing documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket after the close of the comment period, is available through the site's "User Tips" link.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Please send four copies of your comment (an original and three copies) to Docket No. APHIS-2006-0158, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238. Please state that your comment refers to Docket No. APHIS-2006-0158.

Reading Room: You may read any comments that we receive on Docket No. APHIS-2006-0158 in our reading room. The reading room is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690-2817 before coming.

Other Information: Additional information about APHIS and its programs is available on the Internet at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Jerry DePoyster, Senior Veterinary Medical Officer, Animal Care, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 84, Riverdale, MD 20737-1234; (301) 734-7586.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 10, 2007, we published in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 17814, Docket No. APHIS-2006-0158) a notice of petition and request for comments. That document notified the public that the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service had received a petition from The Hunte Corporation requesting that we replace the definition of *Class "B" licensee* in the Animal Welfare Act regulations with four new categories of licensees: Pet distributor, exhibitor animal distributor, laboratory animal distributor, and other distributor.

Comments on the notice were required to be received on or before June 11, 2007. We are extending the comment period on Docket No. APHIS-2006-0158 for an additional 30 days. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 2131-2159; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.7.

Done in Washington, DC, this 17th day of May 2007.

Kevin Shea,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 50

[Docket No. PRM-50-84]

Mark Edward Leyse; Receipt of Petition for Rulemaking

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Petition for rulemaking; notice of receipt.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has received and requests public comment on a petition for rulemaking dated March 15, 2007, filed by Mark Edward Leyse. The petition has been docketed by the NRC and has been assigned Docket No. PRM-50-84. The petitioner is requesting that the NRC amend the regulations that govern domestic licensing of production and utilization facilities to require that nuclear power facilities be operated to limit the thickness of crud (corrosion products) layers and/or the thickness of oxide layers on fuel rod cladding surfaces. The petitioner also requests that the requirements pertaining to Emergency Core Cooling System (ECCS) evaluation models be amended to require that the steady-state temperature distribution and stored energy in reactor fuel at the onset of a postulated loss-of-coolant accident (LOCA) be calculated by factoring in the role that the thermal resistance of crud and/or oxide layers on cladding plays in increasing the stored energy in the fuel. Lastly, the petitioner requests that the acceptance criteria for emergency core cooling systems for light-water nuclear power reactors be amended to stipulate a maximum allowable percentage of hydrogen content in cladding of fuel rods.