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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

7 CFR Part 1214

[Doc. No. AMS-FV-07-0052; FV-06-707-C]

Kiwifruit Research, Promotion, and Consumer Information Order; Correction

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Correcting amendment.

SUMMARY: The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is removing from the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) its procedural regulations regarding the Kiwifruit Research, Promotion, and Consumer Information Order (Order), a program never implemented.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 14, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is removing from the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), 7 CFR part 1214, Kiwifruit Research, Promotion, and Consumer Information Order (Order). The Order was authorized by the National Kiwifruit Research, Promotion, and Consumer Information Act (7 U.S.C. 7461-7473). The proposed Order was published in the **Federal Register** on October 17, 1997, [62 FR 54314] and then again on November 10, 1998, [63 FR 62964] but never finalized. Nevertheless, final referendum procedures were published in the **Federal Register** on October 17, 1997, [62 FR 54310] and added to the CFR in Subpart C, along with reserved parts, Subpart A and Subpart B at 7 CFR part 1214. This action is needed to remove 7 CFR part 1214 from the CFR since the program was never implemented. This document provides for the removal of 7 CFR 1214 in its entirety.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 1214

Administrative practice and procedure, Advertising, Consumer Information, Marketing agreements, Kiwifruit, Promotion, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

PART 1214—[REMOVED]

■ Accordingly, under the authority of 7 U.S.C. 7461-7473, 7 CFR part 1214 is removed.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

9 CFR Parts 331 and 381

[Docket No. FSIS-2007-0023]

RIN 0583-AD29

Designation of the State of New Mexico Under the Federal Meat Inspection Act and Poultry Products Inspection Act

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Final Rule.

SUMMARY: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is announcing that it is designating the State of New Mexico as a State to receive Federal inspection with respect to operations and transactions involving meat and poultry products within the State because representatives of the State have requested such designation. In response to the State's request, FSIS will assume responsibility for the meat and poultry inspection programs in the State of New Mexico on August 13, 2007. Therefore, FSIS is amending the Federal meat and poultry products inspection regulations by adding New Mexico to the list of designated States.

DATES: This final rule will be effective on August 13, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron Eckel, Chief Federal State Audit Branch, Internal Control Division, Office of Program Evaluation, Enforcement, and Review, Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA, 1299 Farnam Street, Suite 300, Landmark Center Building, Omaha, Nebraska 68102; telephone 402-344-5000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FSIS has been delegated the authority to exercise the functions of the Secretary of

Agriculture as specified in the Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*) and the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA) (21 U.S.C. 451, *et seq.*). These statutes provide that FSIS is to protect the public by verifying that meat and poultry products are safe, wholesome, unadulterated, and properly labeled and packaged.

Under these statutes, a State may administer meat and poultry inspection programs provided that it has developed and is effectively enforcing inspection requirements at least equal to those imposed under titles I and IV of the FMIA and sections 1-4, 6-10, and 12-22 of the PPIA. If States can no longer effectively enforce meat and poultry inspection requirements at least equal to the Federal requirements, they must be "designated" by the Secretary to receive Federal inspection (21 U.S.C. 661(c) & 454(c)).

The Governor of New Mexico sent a letter to the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture, dated June 22, 2007, requesting the designation of New Mexico for purposes of allowing FSIS to conduct food safety inspections of meat and poultry products within the State of New Mexico. Consequently, the Secretary of Agriculture is designating the State of New Mexico under 21 U.S.C. 661(c) of the FMIA and 21 U.S.C. 454(c) of the PPIA. On and after August 13, 2007, the provisions of titles I and IV of the FMIA and sections 1-4, 6-10, and 12-22 of the PPIA will apply to operations and transactions involving meat and poultry products within the State of New Mexico, unless exempt under 21 U.S.C. 623 or 661(c)(2) of the FMIA or 21 U.S.C. 454(c)(2) or 464 of the PPIA.

Owners or operators of New Mexico's meat and poultry establishments wishing to continue operations after August 13, 2007, must contact the FSIS District Office in Denver, CO, in order to receive Federal inspection. This office will provide information concerning requirements and exemptions under the FMIA and the PPIA, applications for inspection, and requests for surveys of establishments. Address correspondence to Denver Federal Center, P.O. Box 25387, Building 45, Denver, CO 80225. Phone number: (303) 236-9800.

The Acting Administrator, FSIS, has determined that there is good cause for issuing this final rule without prior notice and opportunity for public comment. FSIS has determined that it is in the public interest to ensure a smooth, orderly and expeditious transition to Federal inspection. Representatives of the State of New Mexico have requested that the State be