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AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

African Development Foundation, Board of Directors Meeting

Time: Tuesday, April 13, 2010, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Place: African Development Foundation, Conference Room, 1400 I Street, NW., Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20005.

Dates: Tuesday, April 13, 2010.

Status:

1. Open session, Tuesday, April 13, 2010, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.; and
2. Closed session, Tuesday, April 13, 2010, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

Due to security requirements and limited seating, all individuals wishing to attend the open session of the meeting must notify Michele M. Rivard at (202) 673-3916 or mrivard@usadf.gov of your request to attend by 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 8, 2010.

Lloyd O. Pierson,

President & CEO, USADF.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS-2010-0009]

Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on Food Labeling

AGENCY: Office of Food Safety, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Office of Food Safety, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), are sponsoring a public meeting on April 7, 2010. The objective of the public meeting is to provide information and receive public

comments on agenda items and draft United States positions that will be discussed at the 38th Session of the Codex Committee on Food Labeling (CCFL) of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Codex), which will be held in Quebec City, Canada, May 3-7, 2010. The Office of Food Safety and the FDA recognize the importance of providing interested parties the opportunity to obtain background information on the 38th Session of the CCFL and to address items on the agenda.

DATES: The public meeting is scheduled for April 7, 2010, from 2 to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the USDA, Jamie L. Whitten Building, Room 107-A, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250. Documents related to the 38th Session of the CCFL will be accessible via the World Wide Web at the following address: <http://www.codexalimentarius.net/current.asp>.

The U.S. Delegate to the 38th Session of the CCFL, Barbara Schneeman, and the FDA invite interested U.S. parties to submit their comments electronically to the following e-mail address: Ritu.Nalubola@fda.hhs.gov.

Registration:

If you would like to participate in the public meeting by telephone conference, please use the following call-in number and passcode: Call-in Number: 1-866-692-3158. Passcode: 5986642.

For Further Information About the 38th Session of the CCFL Contact:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Codex was established in 1963 by two United Nations organizations, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO). Through adoption of food standards,

codes of practice, and other guidelines developed by its committees, and by promoting their adoption and implementation by governments, Codex seeks to protect the health of consumers and ensure that fair practices are used in trade.

The CCFL is responsible for drafting provisions on labeling applicable to all foods; considering, amending if necessary, and endorsing draft specific provisions on labeling of draft standards, codes of practice and guidelines prepared by other Codex Committees; studying specific labeling problems assigned to it by the Codex Commission; and studying problems associated with the advertisement of food with particular reference to claims and misleading descriptions.

The Committee is chaired by Canada.

Issues To Be Discussed at the Public Meeting

The following items on the agenda for the 38th Session of the CCFL will be discussed during the public meeting:

- Matters Referred to the Committee by other Codex Bodies
- Consideration of Labeling Provisions in Draft Codex Standards
- Implementation of the WHO Global Strategy on Diet, Physical Activity, and Health

(a) Proposed Draft Revision of the Guidelines on Nutrition Labeling Concerning the List of Nutrients that are always Declared on a Voluntary or Mandatory Basis

(b) Discussion Paper on Issues Related to Mandatory Nutrition Labeling

(c) Proposed Draft Criteria and Principles for Legibility and Readability of Nutrition Labels

(d) Discussion Paper on Labeling Provisions Dealing with the Food Ingredients Identified in the Global Strategy on Diet, Physical Activity, and Health

- Guidelines for the Production, Processing, Labeling and Marketing of Organically Produced Foods: Annex 1: Inclusion of Ethylene for Other Products

- Labeling of Foods and Food Ingredients Obtained through Certain Techniques of Genetic Modification/Genetic Engineering

(a) Draft Amendment to the General Standard for the Labeling of Prepackaged Foods: Definitions

- Discussion Paper on the Need to Amend the General Standard for the