study the scope and effectiveness of research, extension, and economics programs affecting the specialty crop industry. The congressional legislation defines “specialty crops” as fruits, vegetables, tree nuts, dried fruits and nursery crops (including floriculture). In order to carry out its responsibilities effectively, the Committee is holding a stakeholder listening session. The listening session will elicit stakeholder input from industry and state representatives, researchers and educators, national organizations and institutions, local producers, and other groups about topics of relevance to research, extension or economics programs on which the Specialty Crop Committee is charged to report through the Board to the Secretary of Agriculture and Congress. The list of specific topics of interest is available on the Committee charge on the NAREEE Web site (http://nareeeab.ree.usda.gov). In addition, the Committee seeks input on the Specialty Crop Research Initiative priorities and program administration, as well as its interaction with any research undertaken by the state administered Specialty Crop Block Grant Program funded through the USDA. Several panel sessions will be organized to stimulate discussion, each relating to one or more specific issues delineated in the Committee’s charge. Each panel will be followed with questions by Committee members and an opportunity for brief presentations and general discussion from the floor. An open session for further brief presentations will also be scheduled. Succinct written comments by attendees and other interested stakeholders will be welcomed as additional public input before and up to two weeks following the listening sessions. All statements will become part of the official public record of the Board’s Specialty Crop Committee.

In order to encourage input from a wide array of interested parties and stakeholders from diverse regions of the country, the Committee will host an additional listening session focused on the same topics. This session will be held in Sacramento, CA on June 10, 2010. Details regarding this meeting will be announced in the near future.

Done at Washington, DC, this 11th day of April 2010.

Molly Jahn,
Acting Under Secretary, Research, Education, and Economics.

BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, May 18, 2010, 11 a.m.–12:15 p.m.
CLOSED MEETING: The members of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) will meet in closed session to review and discuss a number of issues relating to U.S. Government-funded non-military international broadcasting. They will address internal procedural, budgetary, and personnel issues, as well as sensitive foreign policy issues relating to potential options in the U.S. international broadcasting field. This meeting is closed because if open it likely would either disclose matters that would be properly classified to be kept secret in the interest of foreign policy under the appropriate executive order (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(1)) or would disclose information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(9)(B)) In addition, part of the discussion will relate solely to the internal personnel and organizational issues of the BBG or the International Broadcasting Bureau. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(2) and (6)) CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Persons interested in obtaining more information should contact Paul Kollmer-Dorsey at (202) 203–4545.

Paul Kollmer-Dorsey,
Deputy General Counsel.

COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting and Community Forum of the New Jersey Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that a meeting of the Iowa Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene on Thursday, June 17, 2010, at 2 p.m. and adjourn at approximately 4 p.m. (CST) at Iowa Agriculture Development Authority, 505 5th Avenue, Suite 327, Des Moines, IA 50319. The purpose of the meeting is to conduct a briefing and planning a future civil rights project. Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments. The comments must be received in the regional office by July 16, 2010. The address is U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 400 State Avenue, Suite 908, Kansas City, Kansas 66101. Persons wishing to present their comments, or to present their comments verbally at the meeting, or who desire additional