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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 fair practices in the food trade.

The CCRVDF is responsible for determining priorities for the consideration of residues of veterinary drugs in foods, recommending maximum levels of such substances, developing codes of practice as may be required, and considering methods of sampling and analysis for the determination of veterinary drug residues in foods.

The Committee is hosted by the United States.

Issues To Be Discussed at the Public Meeting

The following items on the agenda for the 19th Session of the CCRVDF will be discussed during the public meeting:

- Matters referred by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and other Codex committees and task forces.
- Matters arising from FAO/WHO.
- Report of the World Organization For Animal Health (OIE) activities, including the harmonization of technical requirements for registration of veterinary medicinal products.
- Draft Maximum Residue Limits (MRL) for veterinary drugs (at Step 7).
- Discussion paper on methods of analysis for residues of veterinary drugs in foods.
- Draft priority list of veterinary drugs requiring evaluation or re-evaluation by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA).
- Factors related to the establishment of Acceptable Dietary Intake (ADI) and the process of recommending MRLs.
- Risk management recommendations for veterinary drugs for which no ADI and MRL has been recommended by JECFA.
- Discussion paper on veterinary drugs in honey production.
- Discussion paper on sampling plan for residue control for aquatic animal products and derived edible products of aquatic origin.

Public Meeting

At the August 16, 2010, public meeting, draft U.S. positions on the agenda items will be described and discussed, and attendees will have the opportunity to pose questions and offer comments. Written comments may be offered at the meeting or sent to the U.S. Delegate for the 19th Session of the CCRVDF, Dr. Kevin Greenlees (see ADDRESSES). Written comments should state that they relate to activities of the 19th Session of the CCRVDF.

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Done at Washington, DC on: August 10, 2010.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Meeting of the Agricultural Air Quality Task Force

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), United States Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of meeting: correction.

SUMMARY: The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) published in the Federal Register of July 28, 2010, Notice of a Meeting (75 FR 44214). This document corrects the location of the LPAES Workshop. The correct location is on the campus of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters, Room C111 A–B–C, located at 109 TW Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711; (919) 541–5400.

The Agricultural Air Quality Task Force (AAQTFT) will meet to continue discussions on air quality issues relating to agriculture. Additionally, the Livestock and Poultry Subcommittee of the AAQTFT will conduct a pre-meeting Livestock and Poultry Air Emissions Standardization (LPAES) Workshop discussing livestock and poultry air emissions monitoring data/research obtained from the National Animal Air Emissions Monitoring Study (NAAEEMS), and other published research/data.

DATES: The LPAES workshop will convene at 2 p.m. on Monday September 27, 2010 and at 8 a.m. on Tuesday September 28, 2010 and will conclude at 6 p.m. September 27, 2010 and 5 p.m. September 28, 2010.

The AAQTFT meeting will convene at 8 a.m. on Wednesday and Thursday...
SUMMARY: The LPAES workshop and the AAQTF meeting may be found on the World Wide Web at http://www.airquality.nrcs.usda.gov/AAQTF/. Please be advised RSVPs are highly recommended for the LPAES workshop.

I. Background Information

Section 1605(a) of public law 111–5 requires that none of the appropriated funds may be used for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public work unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States. According to section 1605(b) of Public Law 111–5, a waiver may be granted if the head of the appropriate department or agency, in this case the Secretary of Agriculture, determines that (1) Applying these requirements would be inconsistent with public interest; (2) iron, steel, and manufactured goods are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or (3) inclusion of iron, steel, and manufactured goods produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent. Custer County has requested a waiver from the Buy American Requirement for the purchase of HVAC equipment suitable for the conditions of the existing facility and the expansion area. The purchase of the new HVAC equipment is intended to provide the air conditioning for the existing Courthouse renovation and expansion. The estimated cost of the overall improvements to the County’s Courthouse is $5.8 million. In designing the HVAC equipment the designers of record evaluated the various technologies based on the following factors:

• The project requirements include addressing the limitations of space for HVAC equipment and the associated accessories.

• The project requires a very high efficiency performance for the conditions presented by the region and the requirement for simultaneous heating and cooling.

• The project requires a frost resistant operating system.

As part of an exhaustive review and search for potentially viable HVAC units, the County and their consultants determined that there is no domestic manufacturer of HVAC equipment that provides the specified performance and technical features required for this project.

According to the County, the only HVAC equipment that meets the technical specifications is manufactured only by Daikin and Tempeff, of Japan and Canada respectively. As a result, the County requested a waiver of the ARRA Buy American provisions on the basis of non-availability of a United States manufactured product that will meet the design and performance criteria specified for this HVAC system.

II. Non-Availability Finding

The Secretary has determined that, based on the information available, and to the best of USDA’s knowledge, there do not appear to be other HVAC systems manufactured in the United States that are available at this time to meet the County’s design specifications and performance requirements for this project.

USDA’s technical review team and architects reviewed a memorandum submitted by the County describing the foreign equipment that fits the technical specifications for the HVAC equipment and the process the County followed in adopting the HVAC design. USDA’s technical review team and architects conducted a nationwide review of equipment vendors, manufacturers’ representatives, and associated resources typically relied on by designers of HVAC equipment in order to determine whether there was any HVAC equipment manufactured in the United States that meet the County’s design specifications and performance requirements. The evaluation by USDA’s technical review team and architects supports the County’s claim that a suitable HVAC system which meets the County’s design specifications