

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: To qualify under the program, Subtitle C of Title I of the Trade Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107–210) states that petitions must demonstrate, using data for the most recent, full marketing year or full official marketing season, a greater than 15-percent decline in at least one of the following factors: national average price, quantity of production, value of production, or cash receipts.

According to the statute, it is also necessary for the petitions to demonstrate that an increase in imports of like or directly competitive articles, during the same marketing period, contributed importantly to the decrease in one of the above factors for the agricultural commodity.

All petitions were analyzed by USDA's Economic Research Service and reviewed by the TAA for Farmers Program Review Committee, comprised of representatives from USDA's Office of the Chief Economist, Farm Service Agency, Agricultural Marketing Service, and FAS. After a review, the Administrator determined that the petition was unable to demonstrate the "greater than 15-percent decline" criterion, because it showed a 4.2-percent increase in the average annual price for 2009, when compared to the previous 3-year period. Additionally, the import data provided for the same time period showed a 15.7-percent decrease, instead of the required increase, under the program.

Because the petition was unable to meet the "greater than 15-percent decline" criterion and the "increase in imports" criterion, the Administrator was not able to certify the petition, making Tilapia producers in Arkansas ineligible for trade adjustment assistance in FY 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers Program Staff, Office of Trade Programs, FAS, USDA, at (202) 720–0638, or (202) 690–0633, or by e-mail at: tradeadjustment@fas.usda.gov, or visit the TAA for Farmers' Web site at: <http://www.fas.usda.gov/itp/taa>.

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Suzanne Hale,

Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

The Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), certified a petition (No. 2011015) for trade adjustment assistance (TAA) for blueberries filed under the fiscal year (FY) 2011 program by the Wild Blueberry Commission of Maine, on behalf of blueberry producers in Maine. The petition was accepted for review by USDA on August 13, 2010.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: All petitions were analyzed by USDA's Economic Research Service and reviewed by the TAA for Farmers Program Review Committee, comprised of representatives from USDA's Office of the Chief Economist, Farm Service Agency, Agricultural Marketing Service, and FAS. After a review, the Administrator determined that increased imports of blueberries during January-December 2009 contributed importantly to a greater than 15-percent decline in the average annual price in 2009, compared to the previous 3-year average. This conforms to the eligibility requirements stipulated in Subtitle C of Title I of the Trade Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107–210).

Because the petition met the program's eligibility criteria, the Administrator was able to certify it, making blueberry producers in Maine eligible for trade adjustment assistance in FY 2011.

Eligible individual blueberry producers in Maine may apply for technical training and cash benefits by completing and submitting a written application to their local Farm Service Agency county office by the application deadline of December 29, 2010. After submitting a completed application, producers may receive technical assistance at no cost and cash benefits, if the applicable program eligibility requirements are satisfied. Applicants must complete the technical assistance training under the program in order to be eligible for cash benefits.

PRODUCERS CERTIFIED AS ELIGIBLE FOR TAA FOR FARMERS CONTACT: Your local USDA Farm Service Agency county office.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: International Trade Administration; Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Title: Procedures for Considering Requests from the Public for Textile and Apparel Safeguard Actions on Imports from Peru.

OMB Control Number: None.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission (new information collection).

Number of Respondents: 6 (1 for Request; 5 for Comments).

Average Hours per Response: 4 hours for a Request; and 4 hours for each Comment.

Burden Hours: 24.

Needs and Uses: Title III, Subtitle B, Section 321 through Section 328 of the United States-Peru Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (the "Act") implements the textile and apparel safeguard provisions, provided for in Article 3.1 of the United States-Peru Free Trade Agreement (the "Agreement"). This safeguard mechanism applies when, as a result of the elimination of a customs duty under the Agreement, a Peruvian textile or apparel article is being imported into the United States in such increased quantities, in absolute terms or relative to the domestic market for that article, and under such conditions as to cause serious damage or actual threat thereof to a U.S. industry producing a like or directly competitive article. In these circumstances, Article 3.1 permits the United States to increase duties on the imported article from Peru to a level that does not exceed the lesser of the prevailing U.S. normal trade relations (NTR)/most-favored-nation (MFN) duty