

Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transactions.”

- Form AD-1049, “Certification Regarding a Drug-Free Workplace Requirement (Grants).”

- Form RD 400-4, “Assurance Agreement.”

Additional information on these requirements can be found at [http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/BCP\\_SSDPG.html](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/BCP_SSDPG.html).

**Fund Disbursement:** We will determine, based on 7 CFR Parts 3015, 3016 and 3019, as applicable, whether disbursement of a grant will be by advance or reimbursement. As needed, but not more frequently than once every 30 days, an original SF-270, “Request for Advance or Reimbursement,” may be submitted to Rural Development. Your request for advance shall not be made in excess of reasonable costs for the month covered.

**Reporting Requirements:** Grantees must provide Rural Development with an original or an electronic copy that includes all required signatures of the following reports. The reports should be submitted to the Agency contact listed on the Grant Agreement and Letter of Conditions. Failure to submit satisfactory reports on time may result in suspension or termination of the grant. Grantees will submit:

1. Form SF-425. A “Federal Financial Report,” listing expenditures according to agreed upon budget categories, on a semi-annual basis. Reporting periods end each March 31 and September 30. Reports are due 30 days after the reporting period ends.

2. Semi-annual performance reports comparing accomplishments to the objectives stated in the proposal, identifying all tasks completed to date and providing documentation supporting the reported results. If the original schedule provided in the work plan is not being met, the report should discuss the problems or delays that may affect completion of the Project.

Objectives for the next reporting period should be listed. Compliance with any special condition on the use of award funds must be discussed. Reports are due as provided in paragraph (1) of this section. Supporting documentation must also be submitted for completed tasks. The supporting documentation for completed tasks includes, but is not limited to, feasibility studies, marketing plans, business plans, articles of incorporation, and bylaws as they relate to the assistance provided.

3. Final Project performance reports comparing accomplishments to the objectives stated in the proposal, identifying all tasks completed, and providing documentation supporting

the reported results. If the original schedule provided in the work plan was not met, the report must discuss the problems or delays that affected completion of the Project. Compliance with any special condition on the use of award funds must be discussed.

Supporting documentation for completed tasks must also be submitted. The supporting documentation for completed tasks includes, but is not limited to, Feasibility Studies, marketing plans, business plans, articles of incorporation, and bylaws as they relate to the assistance provided. The final performance report is due within 90 days of the completion of the Project. The report must also include a summary at the end of the report with the number of Small Socially-Disadvantaged Producers assisted to help in documenting the annual performance goals of the SSDPG program for Congress.

#### VII. Agency Contacts

For general questions about this announcement and for program Technical Assistance, please contact the appropriate State Office as indicated in the **ADDRESSES** section of this Notice.

#### VIII. Discrimination Statement

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#### COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

##### Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Florida 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 Florida Advisory Committee (Committee) will convene on Thursday, May 24, 2012. The meeting will convene at 2 p.m. and adjourn at approximately 3 p.m. The meeting will be held at Brevard Community College, 1519 Clearlake Road, Building 2, Cocoa, Florida, 32922. The purpose of the meeting is for the Committee to discuss its ex-felon voting rights project.

Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office by June 25, 2012. Written comments may be mailed to the Southern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 61 Forsyth St., SW., Suite 16T126, Atlanta, GA, 30303. They may also be faxed to the Commission at (404) 562-7005, or emailed to the Commission at [erodriguez@usccr.gov](mailto:erodriguez@usccr.gov). Persons who desire additional information may contact the Southern Regional Office at (404) 562-7000.

Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Southern Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Southern Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission’s Web site, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Southern Regional Office at the above email or street address.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Commission and FACA.

Dated in Washington, DC, April 20, 2012.

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Coordination Unit.*

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