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AMENDMENTS

2015—Pub. L. 114-54 substituted “September 30, 2020” for “September 30, 2015”.

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SUBCHAPTER III—DAIRY PRODUCT
MANDATORY REPORTING

§ 1637. Purpose

The purpose of this subchapter is to establish a program of information regarding the marketing of dairy products that—

- (1) provides information that can be readily understood by producers and other market participants, including information with respect to prices, quantities sold, and inventories of dairy products;
- (2) improves the price and supply reporting services of the Department of Agriculture; and
- (3) encourages competition in the marketplace for dairy products.

(Aug. 14, 1946, ch. 966, title II, § 271, as added Pub. L. 106-532, § 2, Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2541.)

§ 1637a. Definitions

In this subchapter:

(1) Dairy products

The term “dairy products” means—

(A) manufactured dairy products that are used by the Secretary to establish minimum prices for Class III and Class IV milk under a Federal milk marketing order issued under section 608c of this title; and

(B) substantially identical products designated by the Secretary.

(2) Manufacturer

The term “manufacturer” means any person engaged in the business of buying milk in commerce for the purpose of manufacturing dairy products.

(3) Secretary

The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Agriculture.

(Aug. 14, 1946, ch. 966, title II, § 272, as added Pub. L. 106-532, § 2, Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2541; amended Pub. L. 107-171, title I, § 1504, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 207.)

AMENDMENTS

2002—Par. (1). Pub. L. 107-171 inserted hyphen after “means”, designated remainder of existing provisions as subpar. (A), substituted “; and” for period at end, and added subpar. (B).

§ 1637b. Mandatory reporting for dairy products

(a) Establishment

The Secretary shall establish a program of mandatory dairy product information reporting that will—

- (1) provide timely, accurate, and reliable market information;

(2) facilitate more informed marketing decisions; and

(3) promote competition in the dairy product manufacturing industry.

(b) Requirements

(1) In general

In establishing the program, the Secretary shall only—

(A)(i) subject to the conditions described in paragraph (2), require each manufacturer to report to the Secretary information concerning the price, quantity, and moisture content of dairy products sold by the manufacturer; and

(ii) modify the format used to provide the information on the day before November 22, 2000, to ensure that the information can be readily understood by market participants; and

(B) require each manufacturer and other person storing dairy products to report to the Secretary, at a periodic interval determined by the Secretary, information on the quantity of dairy products stored.

(2) Conditions

The conditions referred to in paragraph

(1)(A)(i) are that—

(A) the information referred to in paragraph (1)(A)(i) is required only with respect to those package sizes actually used to establish minimum prices for Class III or Class IV milk under a Federal milk marketing order;

(B) the information referred to in paragraph (1)(A)(i) is required only to the extent that the information is actually used to establish minimum prices for Class III or Class IV milk under a Federal milk marketing order;

(C) the frequency of the required reporting under paragraph (1)(A)(i) does not exceed the frequency used to establish minimum prices for Class III or Class IV milk under a Federal milk marketing order; and

(D) the Secretary may exempt from all reporting requirements any manufacturer that processes and markets less than 1,000,000 pounds of dairy products per year.

(c) Administration

(1) In general

The Secretary shall promulgate such regulations as are necessary to ensure compliance with, and otherwise carry out, this subchapter.

(2) Confidentiality

(A) In general

Except as otherwise directed by the Secretary or the Attorney General for enforcement purposes, no officer, employee, or agent of the United States shall make available to the public information, statistics, or documents obtained from or submitted by any person under this subchapter other than in a manner that ensures that confidentiality is preserved regarding the identity of persons, including parties to a contract, and proprietary business information.