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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Office of Inspector General; Senior Executive Services (SES) Performance Review Board: Update

ACTION: Revised notice.

SUMMARY: This notice is hereby given of the appointment of members of the updated U.S. Agency for International Development, Office of Inspector General's Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board.

DATES: January 15, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert S. Ross, Assistant Inspector General for Management, Office of Inspector General, U.S. Agency for International Development, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Room 8.08-029, Washington, DC 20523-8700; telephone 202-712-0010; FAX 202-216-3392; Internet Email address: rross@usaid.gov (for Email messages, the subject line should include the following reference—USAID OIG SES Performance Review Board).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 5 U.S.C. 4314(b)(c) requires each agency to establish, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Office of Personnel Management at 5 CFR part 430, subpart C and Section 430.307 thereof in particular, one or more SES Performance Review Boards. The board shall review and evaluate the initial appraisal of each USAID OIG senior executive's performance by his or her supervisor, along with any recommendations to the appointing authority relative to the performance of the senior executive. This notice updates the membership of the USAID OIG's SES Performance Review Board as it was last published on December 19, 2014.

Approved: January 15, 2016.

The following have been selected as regular members of the SES Performance Review Board of the U.S.

Agency for International Development, Office of Inspector General:

Lisa S. Goldfluss, Legal Counsel
Alvin A. Brown, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit
Melinda Dempsey, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit
Lisa McClellon, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Investigations
Kimberly Howell, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, Office of Personnel Management
Larry Gregg, Associate Inspector General, General Services Administration
Wanda Scott, Assistant Inspector General for Management Services, Department of Education

Dated: January 14, 2016.

Ann Calvaresi Barr,
Inspector General.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

The Refund of Duties Paid on Imports of Certain Wool Products

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) announces that it will accept affidavits from individuals or firms to substantiate eligibility for distributions from the Refund of Duties Paid on Imports of Certain Wool Products program (the Refund program) authorized under Section 12315 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Pub. L. 113-79) (the Act).

DATES: For calendar year 2016 distributions, affidavits must be electronically filed with FAS no later than March 1, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Affidavits, supporting documentation, and claims for distribution from the Trust Fund must be sent electronically to the Import Policies and Export Reporting Division, Office of Trade Programs, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA using the following email address: pimawool@fas.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peter Burr at (202) 720-3274, or via email at: pete.burr@fas.usda.gov.

Background

Section 12315 transferred the Refund program to the U.S. Department of

Agriculture in FY 2016, from Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security. The Refund program is one of several programs authorized by Congress within the Agriculture Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund for each of calendar years 2016 through 2019. The purpose of the Refund program is to compensate wool manufacturers of men's and boy's wool suits, suit type jackets, or trousers of imported worsted wool fabrics of the kind described in heading 9902.51.11 or 9902.51.12; manufacturers of worsted wool fabrics who import wool yarn of the kind described in heading 9902.51.13; and manufacturers of wool yarn or fabric who import wool fiber or top of the kind described in heading 9902.51.14 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States for customs duties paid on imported wool in 2000, 2001 and 2002. To claim a distribution from the Refund program manufacturers are directed to submit an affidavit that follows the statutory procedures specified under Section 12315(b) of the Act, and also as described on the FAS Web site at <http://www.fas.usda.gov/programs/wool-apparel-manufacturers-trust-fund>. Because section 12315 is self-effectuating, FAS will not be issuing regulations to implement the program this year. This notice announces the deadline and email address to which claims, affidavits and supporting documents must be sent.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 12315 of Act (Pub. L. 113-79) is set forth below in its entirety, followed by information about how to apply for a distribution from the Refund program.
“Sec. 12315 AGRICULTURE WOOL APPAREL MANUFACTURERS TRUST FUND.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUST FUND.—There is established in the Treasury of the United States a trust fund to be known as the “Agriculture Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund” (in this section referred to as the “Trust Fund”), consisting of such amounts as may be transferred to the Trust Fund pursuant to subsection (f), and to be used for the purpose of reducing the injury to domestic manufacturers resulting from tariffs on wool fabric that are higher than tariffs on certain apparel articles made of wool fabric.

(b) DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.