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§65.225 Produced.

Produced in the case of a perishable agricultural commodity, peanuts, ginseng, pecans, and macadamia nuts means harvested.

§65.230 Production step.

Production step means, in the case of beef, pork, goat, chicken, and lamb, born, raised, or slaughtered.

§65.235 Raised.

Raised means, in the case of beef, pork, chicken, goat, and lamb, the period of time from birth until slaughter or in the case of animals imported for immediate slaughter as defined in §65.180, the period of time from birth until date of entry into the United States.

§65.240 Retailer.

Retailer means any person licensed as a retailer under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act of 1930 (7 U.S.C. 499a(b)).

§65.245 Secretary.

Secretary means the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States or any person to whom the Secretary's authority has been delegated.

§65.250 Slaughter.

Slaughter means the point in which a livestock animal (including chicken) is prepared into meat products (covered commodities) for human consumption. For purposes of labeling under this part, the word harvested may be used in lieu of slaughtered.

§65.255 United States.

United States means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and any other Commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States.

§65.260 United States country of origin.

United States country of origin means in the case of:

(a) Beef, pork, lamb, chicken, and goat:

- (1) From animals exclusively born, raised, and slaughtered in the United States:
- (2) From animals born and raised in Alaska or Hawaii and transported for a period of not more than 60 days through Canada to the United States and slaughtered in the United States; or
- (3) From animals present in the United States on or before July 15, 2008, and once present in the United States, remained continuously in the United States.
- (b) Perishable agricultural commodities, peanuts, ginseng, pecans, and macadamia nuts: from products produced in the United States.

§ 65.265 USDA.

USDA means the United States Department of Agriculture.

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN NOTIFICATION

$\S 65.300$ Country of origin notification.

In providing notice of the country of origin as required by the Act, the following requirements shall be followed by retailers:

- (a) General. Labeling of covered commodities offered for sale whether individually, in a bulk bin, carton, crate, barrel, cluster, or consumer package must contain country of origin as set forth in this regulation.
- (b) *Exemptions*. Food service establishments as defined in §65.135 are exempt from labeling under this subpart.
- (c) Exclusions. A covered commodity is excluded from this subpart if it is an ingredient in a processed food item as defined in §65.220.
- (d) Labeling Covered Commodities of United States Origin. A covered commodity may bear a declaration that identifies the United States as the sole country of origin at retail only if it meets the definition of United States country of origin as defined in §65.260.
- (e) Labeling Muscle Cut Covered Commodities of Multiple Countries of Origin that include the United States. (1) For muscle cut covered commodities derived from animals that were born in Country X or (as applicable) Country Y, raised and slaughtered in the United States, and were not derived from animals imported for immediate slaughter