

§ 63.1

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Subpart A—General Provisions

DEFINITIONS

§ 63.1 Act.

Act means section 375 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S.C. 2008j, as amended by section 11009 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110–246).

§ 63.2 Board.

Board means National Sheep Industry Improvement Center Board of Directors established under § 63.100.

§ 63.3 Department or USDA.

Department or *USDA* means the United States Department of Agriculture.

§ 63.4 Eligible entity.

Eligible entity means an entity that promotes the betterment of the United States sheep or goat industries and that is a public, private, or cooperative organization; an association, including a corporation not operated for profit; a federally recognized Indian Tribe; or a public or quasi-public agency.

§ 63.5 Eligible organization.

Eligible organization means any national organization that meets the criteria provided for in § 63.105 as being eligible to submit nominations for membership on the Board.

§ 63.6 Fiscal year.

Fiscal year means a calendar year or any other 12 month period as determined by the Board.

§ 63.7 Fund.

Fund means the NSIIC Revolving Fund established in the United States Department of the Treasury that is available to the NSIIC without fiscal year limitation, to carry out the programs and activities authorized under the Act.

§ 63.8 NSIIC.

NSIIC or *Center* means the National Sheep Industry Improvement Center established under § 63.200.

§ 63.9 Part.

Part means the rules and regulations issued pursuant to the Act that appear in part 63 of title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

§ 63.10 Secretary.

Secretary means the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States or any other officer or employee of the Department to whom authority has heretofore been delegated, or to whom authority may hereafter be delegated, to act in the Secretary's stead.

§ 63.11 Under Secretary for Rural Development.

Under Secretary for Rural Development means the Under Secretary for Rural Development of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, or any other officer or employee of the Department designated by the Under Secretary to act in the Under Secretary's stead.

§ 63.12 Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics.

Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics means the Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, or any other officer or employee of the Department designated by the Under Secretary to act in the Under Secretary's stead.

§ 63.13 United States.

United States means collectively the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the territories and possessions of the United States.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

§ 63.100 Establishment and membership.

There is hereby established a National Sheep Industry Improvement Center Board. The Board is composed of seven voting members and two non-voting members. Voting members of the Board shall be appointed by the Secretary from nominations submitted