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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of advisory committee meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this constitutes notice of the upcoming meeting of the Grain Inspection Advisory Committee (''the Committee'').

DATES: May 3, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and May 4, 2005, 7:30 a.m. to Noon.

ADDRESSES: The Advisory Committee meeting will take place at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Kansas City Plaza, 220 West 43rd Street, Kansas City, MO.

Requests to address the Committee at the meeting or written comments may be sent to: Deputy Administrator, GIPSA, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., STOP 3614, Washington, DC 20250–3614. Requests and comments may also be Faxed to (202) 690–2755.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Terri Henry, (202) 205–8281 (telephone); (202) 690–2755 (facsimile).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Administrator of the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration with respect to the implementation of the U.S. Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*).

The agenda will include a status report on the reauthorization of the U.S. Grain Standards Act, financial update of grain inspection user fee programs, next steps concerning the potential outsourcing of rice inspection, restructuring the oversight of the official agencies, preliminary review of revised quality assurance procedures, status of designating private companies in South Texas and California to provide inspection services, new requirements for inspecting grain exported in containers, review of pros and cons to using a single instruction to measure both moisture and test weight per bushel, and other general Agency issues.

For a copy of the agenda please contact Terri Henry, (202) 205–8281 (telephone); (202) 690–2755 (facsimile) or by e-mail *Terri.L.Henry@usda.gov*.

Public participation will be limited to written statements, unless permission is received from the Committee Chairman to orally address the Committee. The meeting will be open to the public.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication of program information or related accommodations should contact Terri Henry, at the telephone number listed above.

David Orr,
Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of Inspector General

Succession and Delegations of Authority

AGENCY: Office of Inspector General, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On July 19, 2004, USDA Inspector General Phyllis K. Fong, pursuant to authority vested in her by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act (5 U.S.C. 3345–3349d) and the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App. 3), issued IG–1313, Change 6, Succession and Delegations of Authority. This directive is a revised Succession and Delegations of Authority for the Office of Inspector General. This directive has been revised to show the lines of succession and delegation and clarifies procedures to be followed in the event the Office of Inspector General (OIG) headquarters must be relocated. This directive provides guidance on the transfer of functions and duties of the Inspector General (IG), as well as other OIG central management functions, regardless of what events necessitate such transfer.

DATES: This notice is effective June 6, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David R. Gray, Counsel to the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 41–W, Washington, DC 20250–2308, Telephone: (202) 720–9110, Facsimile: (202) 690–1528, e-mail: *drgray@oig.usda.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The OIG proposes revising the Succession and Delegations of Authority for the Office of Inspector General by publishing a detailed sequence of succession within the Washington, DC headquarters, followed by a detailed sequence of succession by Region and position, i.e., Regional Inspector General (RIG) and Special Agent-in-Charge (SAC), for each OIG Region outside the Washington, DC area. This action is taken pursuant to authority vested in the Inspector General by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act (5 U.S.C. 3345–3349d) and the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App. 3).

For the reasons stated in the preamble, Succession and Delegations of Authority IG–1313, Change 5, is hereby revised to effect a delegation of authority and provide a line of succession from the Inspector General as follows:

I. Pursuant to authority vested in me by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act (5 U.S.C. 3345–3349d) and the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App. 3), in the event of the resignation, death, or reasons that make the Inspector General (IG), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) otherwise unable to perform the duties of the position, the officials designated below, in the order indicated, and in the absence of the specific designation of another official in writing by the Inspector General or the Acting Inspector General, are hereby authorized to and shall serve as Acting Inspector General. The designated officials shall perform the duties and are delegated the full authority and power ascribed to the Inspector General by law and regulation as well as those authorities delegated to the Inspector General by the Secretary, United States Department of Agriculture:

1. Deputy Inspector General;

2. Assistant Inspector General for Audit (AIG/A);

3. Assistant Inspector General for Investigations (AIG/I);

4. Counsel to the Inspector General;