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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Doc. No. FV-04-303]

United States Standards for Grades of Field Grown Leaf Lettuce

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) of the Department of Agriculture (USDA) is soliciting comments on its proposal to create a new voluntary U.S. Standard for Grades of Field Grown Leaf Lettuce. This action is being taken at the request of the Fruit and Vegetable Industry Advisory Committee, which asked AMS to identify commodities that needed grade standards developed to facilitate commerce. The proposed standards would provide industry with a common language and uniform basis for trading, thus promoting the orderly and efficient marketing of field grown leaf lettuce.

DATES: Comments must be received by May 23, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments to the Standardization Section, Fresh Products Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Room 1661, South Building, Stop 0240, Washington, DC 20250-0240, fax (202) 720-8871, e-mail FPB.DocketClerk@usda.gov. Comments should make reference to the dates and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register** and will be made available for public inspection in the above office during regular business hours.

The proposed U.S. Standards for Grades of Field Grown Leaf Lettuce are available either from the above address or the Fresh Products Branch **Federal**

Register notices page at: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/fpbdoctlist.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David L. Priester, at the above address or call (202) 720-2185, e-mail David.Priester@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 203(c) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621-1627), as amended, directs and authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture "to develop and improve standards of quality, condition, quantity, grade and packaging and recommend and demonstrate such standards in order to encourage uniformity and consistency in commercial practices * * *." AMS is committed to carrying out this authority in a manner that facilitates the marketing of agricultural commodities and makes copies of official standards available upon request. The United States Standards for Grades of Fruits and Vegetables that are not requirements of Federal Marketing Orders or U.S. Import Requirements, no longer appear in the Code of Federal Regulations, but are maintained by USDA, AMS, Fruit and Vegetable Programs.

AMS is proposing to establish voluntary U.S. Standards for Grades of Field Grown Leaf Lettuce using the procedures that appear in part 36 title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations (7 CFR part 36).

Background

AMS previously published a notice in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 68858), on December 10, 2003, soliciting comments on the possible development of U.S. Standards for Grades of Field Grown Leaf Lettuce. One comment was received from a fruit and vegetable trade association with 3,000 members. The commenter surveyed its members and found that there was no clear consensus to support development of the standards. However, the commenter noted that many of its members were of the view that it was important to establish new standards. Based on the comments received and information gathered, AMS has developed proposed grade standards for field grown leaf lettuce. This proposal would establish the following grades, as well as a tolerance for each grade: U.S. Fancy, U.S. No. 1 and U.S. No. 2. In addition, there are proposed "Tolerances,"

"Application of Tolerances" and "Size" sections. AMS is proposing to define "Injury," "Damage," and "Serious Damage," along with specific basic requirements and definitions for defects. AMS is soliciting comments on the proposed U.S. Standards for Grades of Field Grown Leaf Lettuce and the probable impact on growers, processors, and distributors.

Production figures have shown a steady increase in the consumption of field grown leaf lettuce over the past 10 years. Many members of the Western Growers Association, a trade association that represents over one half of the nation's fresh produce production, as well as the Fruit and Vegetable Industry Advisory Committee have expressed the need for U.S. standards for field grown leaf lettuce, which would provide a uniform basis for trading.

The adoption of these proposed standards would provide the field grown leaf lettuce industry with U.S. grade standards similar to those extensively in use by the fresh produce industry to assist in orderly marketing of other commodities.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1621-1627.

Dated: March 18, 2005.

Kenneth C. Clayton,

Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Resource Advisory Committee, Sundance, Wyoming, USDA, Forest Service.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393) the Black Hills National Forest's Crook County Resource Advisory Committee will meet Monday, April 19, 2005 in Sundance, Wyoming for a business meeting. The meeting is open to the public.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The business meeting on April 19, begins at 6:30 p.m., at the US Forest Service, Bearlodge Ranger District office, 121

South 21st Street, Sundance, Wyoming. Agenda topics will include: Discussion and determination of project proposals, update on re-authorization of Pub. L. 106-393, and an update on the nomination process for membership to committee for next FY. A public forum will begin after the regular business meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steve Kozel, Bearlodge District Ranger and Designated Federal Officer, at (307) 283-1361.

Dated: March 17, 2005.

Steve Kozel,

Bearlodge District Ranger

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 16-2005]

Proposed Foreign-Trade Zone—Dane County, WI; Application and Public Hearing

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by Dane County, Wisconsin, to establish a general-purpose foreign-trade zone at sites in Dane County, Wisconsin, adjacent to the Milwaukee Customs port of entry. The FTZ application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the FTZ Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally filed on March 17, 2005. The applicant is authorized to make the proposal under Wisconsin Statutes 01-02, Section 182.50. The proposed zone would be the second general-purpose zone in the Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Customs port of entry. The existing zone is as follows: FTZ 41, Milwaukee, Wisconsin (Grantee: Foreign-Trade Zone of Wisconsin, Ltd., Board Order 136, 9/29/78).

The proposed zone would consist of 5 sites covering 648 acres in the Madison, Wisconsin, area: *Site 1* (3 parcels, 123 acres)—Dane County Regional Airport, 4000 International Lane, Madison; *Site 2* (5 parcels, 47 acres)—Capital Warehousing Corporation, 4461 Duraform Lane, Windsor; *Site 3* (2 parcels, 213 acres)—Arlington Prairie Industrial Park, Arlington; *Site 4* (6 parcels, 139 acres)—Center for Industry & Commerce, U.S. Hwy 51 and Hoepker Rd and Hanson Rd, Madison; *Site 5* (2 parcels, 126 acres)—MadCap1 and CapWin19 industrial lots, 4355 Duraform Lane, DeForest.

The application indicates a need for zone services in the Madison, Wisconsin, area. Several firms have indicated an interest in using for zone procedures for warehousing/distribution activities for such products as frozen foods and consumer goods. Specific manufacturing requests are not being sought at this time. Requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

As part of this investigation, the Commerce examiner will hold a public hearing on April 20, 2005, at 10 a.m., at the Dane County Regional Airport, 4000 International Lane, Robert B. Skuldt Conference Room, Madison, Wisconsin.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at one of the following addresses:

1. Submissions via Express/Package Delivery Service: Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin Court Building-Suite 4100W, 1099-14th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005; or

2. Submissions via the U.S. Postal Service: Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, FCB—Suite 4100W, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

The closing period for their receipt is May 23, 2005. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to June 7, 2005).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board's Executive Secretary at the first address listed above, and at the Office of the County Executive, City-County Building, Room 421, 210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, Madison, Wisconsin 53703-3345.

Dated: March 17, 2005.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-878]

Saccharin From the People's Republic of China: Notice of Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 24, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Blanche Ziv or Steve Williams, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-4207 or (202) 482-4619, respectively.

Background

On August 30, 2004, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") published a notice of initiation of administrative review of the antidumping duty order on saccharin from the People's Republic of China for nine exporters, covering the period December 27, 2002, through June 30, 2004. *See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 69 FR 52857 (August 30, 2004). The preliminary results for this review are currently due no later than April 2, 2005.

Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), provides that the Department will issue the preliminary results of an administrative review of an antidumping duty order within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of the date of publication of the order. The Act provides further that the Department may extend that 245-day period to 365 days if it determines it is not practicable to complete the review within the foregoing time period.

The Department has determined that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results by the current deadline of April 2, 2005. In particular, we require additional time to issue supplemental questionnaires, review the responses, and conduct the analysis of the valuation of the factors of production. Therefore, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department is fully extending the time limit for the preliminary results until no later than August 1, 2005, which is the next business day after 365 days from the last day of the anniversary month.