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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to ISTO Technologies, Inc. of St. Louis, Missouri, an exclusive license to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/058,034, "Porous Polymeric Matrices Made of Natural Polymers and Synthetic Polymers and Optionally at Least One Cation and Methods of Making", filed on February 15, 2005.

DATES: Comments must be received within thirty (30) days of the date of publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Rm. 4-1174, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-5131.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301-504-5989.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Government's patent rights in this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as ISTO Technologies Inc. of St. Louis, Missouri has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within thirty (30) days from the date of this published Notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives written evidence and argument

which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Richard J. Brenner,

Assistant Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to Peterson Seed Associates of Edina, Minnesota, an exclusive license to the variety of birdsfoot trefoil described in Plant Variety Protection Certificate Number 200700300, "Witt", filed on May 7, 2007.

DATES: Comments must be received within thirty (30) days of the date of publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Rm. 4-1174, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-5131.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301-504-5989.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Government's rights in this plant variety are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this variety as Peterson Seed Associates of Edina, Minnesota has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within thirty (30) days from the date of this published Notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the

requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Richard J. Brenner,

Assistant Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS-2007-0032]

National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection; Re-establishment

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of re-chartering of Committee.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces that the Secretary of Agriculture signed the charter of the National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection (NACMPI) on July 25, 2007. The charter for the NACMPI is available for viewing on the NACMPI homepage at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/About_Fsis/NACMPI_Charter/index.asp.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Loraine Cannon, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), Room 405 Aerospace Center, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-3700. Telephone number: (202) 690-6647.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary on meat and poultry inspection programs, pursuant to sections 7(c), 24, 205, 301(a)(3), and 301(c) of the Federal Meat Inspection Act [21 U.S.C. 607(c), 624, 645, 661(a)(3), and 661(c)] and to sections 5(a)(3), 5(c), 8(b), and 11(e) of the Poultry Products Inspection Act [21 U.S.C. 454(a)(3), 454(c), 457(b), and 460(e)]. The complexity of the issues to be addressed requires that the Committee meet at least twice per year. Members are appointed by the Secretary of USDA. Background materials are available on the Web at the address

noted above or by contacting the person listed above.

Additional Public Notification

Public awareness of all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important. Consequently, in an effort to ensure that minorities, women, and persons with disabilities are aware of this notice, FSIS will announce it online through the FSIS Web page located at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations/2007_Notices_Index/. FSIS will also make copies of this **Federal Register** publication available through the FSIS Constituent Update, which is used to provide information regarding FSIS policies, procedures, regulations, **Federal Register** notices, FSIS public meetings, and other types of information that could affect or would be of interest to constituents and stakeholders. The Update is communicated via Listserv, a free electronic mail subscription service for industry, trade groups, consumer interest groups, health professionals, and other individuals who have asked to be included. The Update is also available on the FSIS Web page. Through the Listserv and Web page, FSIS is able to provide information to a much broader and more diverse audience. In addition, FSIS offers an electronic subscription service which provides automatic and customized access to selected food safety news and information. This service is available at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/news_and_events/email_subscription/. Options range from recalls to export information to regulations, directives and notices. Customers can add or delete subscriptions themselves, and have the option to password protect their accounts.

Done in Washington, DC on: October 29, 2007.

Alfred V. Almanza,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Notice of Request for Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Foreign

Agricultural Service's intention to request a renewal of current information collection processes currently used in support of Exporter Assistance programs. This request to renew is based on estimates of the public burden set forth in the abstract.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by January 7, 2008 to be assured of consideration.

Requests for Comments: Send comments regarding (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments and questions regarding the Export Assistance Programs registration forms, surveys and qualification criteria should be sent to: Maria Nemeth-Ek, Branch Chief, Overseas Trade Support Group, Market Development and Grants Management Division, Office of Trade Programs, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Stop 1052, Washington, DC 20250-1052. All written comments received will be available for public inspection at the above address during business hours from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.—Phone (202) 720-6343, Fax: (202) 690-0193.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Export Services.

OMB Number: 0551-0031.

Expiration Date of Approval: March 31, 2008.

Type of Request: Renewal of a currently approved information collection process.

Abstract: The major objective of the Overseas Trade Support Group is to expand U.S. agricultural exports by helping U.S. companies to sell their products outside the United States. U.S. companies use the Foreign Buyer List service to learn of 20,000 buyers in more than 25 countries who specialize in the importation and distribution of U.S. products in their country. Specific program and form information is available at: http://www.fas.usda.gov/agx/buying_us/foreign_buyers_exporters.asp. Each year

a certain number of trade shows are selected in the best prospective markets to host a U.S.A. pavilion where U.S. companies can promote their products to buyers. A list of USDA endorsed shows is available at: http://www.fas.usda.gov/agx/trade_events/trade_events.asp. The Exporter Assistance section of the FAS Web site <http://www.fas.usda.gov/>, a one-stop-shop for either the experienced or novice exporter offers information about exporting and easy access to register for these services. Customer service surveys are collected at various trade shows and evaluations of Foreign Buyers List data are downloaded annually in order to improve the effectiveness of these services. The information is necessary to manage, plan and evaluate the effectiveness of these services, which are intended to help U.S. companies to market and sell their products in overseas markets. Authority to collect this information falls under 7 U.S.C. part 1761 and is voluntary for U.S. companies to participate. A small fee is charged for some of the services.

Estimate of Burden: The burden to U.S. exporters is estimated to average 0.25 hours per response.

Respondents: U.S. agricultural exporters of food, farm, and forest products.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3000 per annum.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 4 per annum.

Estimated Total Annual Burden of Respondents: 3000 hours per annum.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Tamoria Thompson-Hall, the Agency Information Collection Coordinator, at (202) 720-1690.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, DC.

Michael W. Yost,

Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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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.