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ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

Committee on Regulation

ACTION: Notice of Public Meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Administrative Conference of the United States will host a public meeting of the Committee on Regulation on May 31, 2011 beginning at 2:30 p.m. The meeting is expected to run for approximately 90 minutes. At the meeting, Professor Wendy Wagner of the University of Texas Law School will discuss an outline of her planned research for a Conference project on "Science in the Administrative Process" and receive input from the committee on the planned research for the project. Complete details regarding the meeting, the research outline, information on meeting attendance (including information about remote access and obtaining special accommodation for persons with disabilities), and instructions on how to submit comments to the committee will be available on the "Research" section of the ACUS Web site, <http://www.acus.gov>, prior to the May 31 meeting.

Comments may be submitted by e-mail to Comments@acus.gov, with "Committee on Regulation Comment" in the subject line, or by postal mail to "Committee on Regulation Comments" at the address given below.

DATES: Tuesday, May 31, 2011, at 2:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Administrative Conference of the United States, 1120 20th Street, NW., Suite 706 South, Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Reeve T. Bull, Designated Federal Officer, Administrative Conference of the United States, 1120 20th Street, NW., Suite 706 South, Washington, DC 20036; Telephone 202-480-2080.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Intent To Reestablish the National Genetic Resources Advisory Council, and Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Intent and Request for Nominations.

SUMMARY: The USDA intends to reestablish the National Genetic Resources Advisory (Council).

The purpose of the Council is to formulate recommendations on actions and policies for the collections, maintenance, and utilization of genetic resources; to make recommendations for coordination of genetic resources plans of several domestic and international organizations; and to advise the Secretary of Agriculture and the National Genetic Resources Program Director of new and innovative approaches to genetic resources conservation.

DATES: Written nominations must be received on or before June 30, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Nominations should be sent to J. Robert Burk, Executive Director, REE Advisory Board Office, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 3901-S, Washington, DC 20250-0321; Fasimile: (202) 720-6199. E-mail: robert.burk@ars.usda.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture intends to reestablish the National Genetic Resources Advisory Council for 2 years. The purpose of the Council is to formulate recommendations on actions and policies for the collection, maintenance, and utilization of genetic resources; resources; to make recommendations for coordination of genetic resources plans of several

domestic and international organizations; and to advise the Secretary of Agriculture and the National Genetic Resources Program Director of new and innovative approaches to genetic resources conservation. The Executive Director of the Research, Education, and Economics Advisory Board Office will serve as the Council's Executive Secretary. Representatives from USDA mission areas and agencies affecting the collection, preservation, and dissemination of genetic material of importance to American food and agriculture production will be called upon to participate in the Council's meetings as determined by the Council Chairperson. Members will be appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture and serve 4-year terms. Membership will consist of up to nine (9) appointed members, and seven (7) ex-officio members. Two-thirds of the appointed members will be from scientific disciplines relevant to the National Genetic Resources Program including agricultural sciences, environmental sciences, national resource sciences, health sciences, and nutritional sciences. One-third of the appointed members will be from the general public including leaders in, fields of public policy, trade, international development law, or management. The Secretary will appoint a Chairperson from the appointed members of the Council. The Secretary of Agriculture invites those individuals, organizations, and groups affiliated with the categories listed above to nominate individuals for membership on the reestablished Council. Nominations should describe and document the proposed member's qualifications for membership to the Council, and list their name, title, address, email address, telephone, and fax number. The Secretary of Agriculture seeks a diverse group of members representing a broad spectrum of persons interested in providing suggestions and ideas on how USDA can tailor its programs to help maintain purity of non-GE genetics, from germplasm to commercial use; and improve stewardship practices and develop new tools to lessen the risk of gene flow in agricultural commodities. Individuals who are nominated will receive necessary forms from the USDA for membership. The biographical information and clearance forms must