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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agriculture Marketing Service

[TM-01-02]

Notice of Organic Certification Cost Share Program

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Services, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice invites eligible States to submit a Standard Form 424, Application for Federal Assistance, and to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the Agricultural Marketing Service for the Allocation of Organic Certification Cost-Share Funds. The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) has allocated \$1.0 million for an organic certification cost-share program in Fiscal Year 2001. Funds will be available under this program to 15 designated States to assist organic crop and livestock producers in transitioning into the new National Organic Program. Eligible States interested in obtaining cost-share funds for their organic producers will have to submit an Application for Federal Assistance, and will have to enter into a cooperative agreement with AMS for the allocation of such funds.

DATES: Completed applications for federal assistance along with signed cooperative agreements must be received by July 9, 2001 in order to participate in the program.

ADDRESSES: Applications for federal assistance and cooperative agreements shall be requested from and submitted to: Bob Pooler, Marketing Specialist, National Organic Program, USDA/AMS/TMP/NOP, PO Box 96456, Room 2510-South, Ag Stop 0268, Washington, DC 20090-6456; Telephone: (202) 690-3655; Fax: (202) 205-7808; e-mail: Bob.Pooler@usda.gov. Additional information may be found through the

National Organic Program's homepage at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/nop>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Pooler, Marketing Specialist, National Organic Program, USDA/AMS/TM/NOP, PO Box 96456, Room 2510-South, Ag Stop 0268, Washington, DC, 20090-6456; Telephone: (202) 690-3655; Fax: (202) 205-7808; e-mail: Bob.Pooler@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Organic Certification Cost-Share Program is part of the Agricultural Management Assistance Program authorized under the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (ARPR), Public Law 106-224, section 524, 114 Stat. 387 (2000), 7 U.S.C. 1524. Under the applicable ARPR provisions, the Department is authorized to provide cost share assistance to producers in not more than 15 states which have a historically low participation rate in the Federal crop insurance program. One of the purposes of the ARPR's cost-share program is to assist producers in transitioning to the new National Organic Program authorized under the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990, 7 U.S.C. 6501-6522.

The Department has determined that the following States are eligible to participate in the program: Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, or Wyoming.

To participate in the program, eligible States must complete a Standard Form 424, Application for Federal Assistance, and enter into a written cooperative agreement with AMS. The program will provide cost-share assistance, through participating States, to organic crop and livestock producers who have been certified by a certifying agent as of December 21, 2000. The Department has determined that payments will be limited to 70 percent of an individual producer's certification costs up to a maximum of \$500.00.

Authority: Pub. L. 106-224, section 524, 114 Stat. 387 (2000), 7 U.S.C. 1524.

Dated: May 17, 2001.

Kenneth C. Clayton,

Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Docket No. TB-01-02]

Flue-Cured Tobacco Advisory Committee; Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) announcement is made of the following committee meeting:

Name: Flue-Cured Tobacco Advisory Committee.

Date: June 21, 2001.

Time: 9 a.m.

Place: United States Department of Agriculture, (USDA), Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), Tobacco Programs, Flue-Cured Tobacco Cooperative Stabilization Corporation Building, Room 223, 1306 Annapolis Drive, Raleigh, North Carolina 27608.

Purpose: To elect officers, establish submarketing areas, recommend opening dates, discuss selling schedules, and other related matters for the 2001 flue-cured tobacco marketing season.

The meeting is open to the public. Persons, other than members, who wish to address the Committee at the meeting should contact John P. Duncan III, Deputy Administrator, Tobacco Programs, AMS, USDA, STOP 0280, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 502 Cotton Annex Building, Washington, DC 20250-0280, (202) 205-0567, prior to the meeting. Written statements may be submitted to the Committee before, at, or after the meeting. If you need any accommodations to participate in the meeting, please contact the Tobacco Programs at (202) 205-0567 by June 15, 2001, and inform us of your needs.

Dated: May 17, 2001

Kenneth C. Clayton,

Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Action Affecting Export Privileges; TAL Industries, Inc.; In the Matter of: TAL Industries, Inc., 901 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 207, Monterey Park, CA 91754, Respondent

Order

The Bureau of Export Administration, United States Department of Commerce (hereinafter "BXA"), having notified TAL Industries, Inc. (hereinafter "TAL")