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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

7 CFR Chapter I

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

7 CFR Chapter VIII

[Docket Number FGIS-2000-001b]

RIN 0580-AA73

Request for Public Comments on How USDA Can Best Facilitate the Marketing of Grains, Oilseeds, Fruits, Vegetables, and Nuts in Today's Evolving Marketplace

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of reopening and extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Agricultural Marketing Service and the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration published an advance notice of proposed rulemaking in the **Federal Register** on November 30, 2000, asking for comments on how USDA can best facilitate the marketing of grains, oilseeds, fruits, vegetables, and nuts in today's evolving marketplace. The 90-day comment period provided in the ANPRM closed February 28, 2001. It has been brought to our attention that several potential commenters need additional time to formulate their responses to the ANPRM. Therefore, we are reopening and extending the comment period to provide interested parties with additional time in which to comment.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 16, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on this notice to Richard Hardy, GIPSA, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 0757-S, Washington, DC 20250-3650. Comments may also be sent by fax to (202) 720-2459; filed via

the Internet through the GIPSA homepage at www.usda.gov/gipsa; or e-mailed to anpr@gipsadc.usda.gov.

It is our intention to have all comments on the advance notice of proposed rulemaking available for viewing on the GIPSA homepage at www.usda.gov/gipsa in a timely manner.

Comments are also available for viewing in room 0757-S from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (except official Federal holidays) (7 CFR 1.27). Persons wanting to visit the USDA South Building to view the comments are requested to make an appointment in advance by calling (202) 720-4848.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marianne Plaus, Assistant to the Deputy Administrator, Federal Grain Inspection Service, GIPSA, 202-690-3460.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Agricultural Marketing Service and the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration published an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) in the **Federal Register** on November 30, 2000 (65 FR 71272), asking for comments on how USDA can best facilitate the marketing of grains, oilseeds, fruits, vegetables, and nuts in today's evolving marketplace. Comments on the ANPRM were required to be received on or before February 28, 2001. Several potential commenters have indicated a need for additional time to formulate their responses to the ANPRM. Therefore, we are reopening and extending the comment period for the ANPRM for an additional 45 days. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 71 et seq. and 7 U.S.C. 1621 et seq.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 50

[Docket No. PRM-50-72]

Union of Concerned Scientists; Petition for Rulemaking

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Petition for rulemaking; Notice of receipt.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has received and requests public comment on a petition for rulemaking filed by David Lochbaum of the Union of Concerned Scientists. The petition, docketed on December 13, 2000, has been assigned Docket No. PRM-50-72. The petitioner requests that the NRC revise its regulations to require nuclear power plant owners to submit the performance indicator information needed for the NRC's revised reactor oversight program.

DATES: Submit comments by May 21, 2001. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to assure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments to: Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff.

Deliver comments to: 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. on Federal workdays.

For a copy of the petition, write to Michael T. Lesar, Acting Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

You may also provide comments via the NRC's interactive rulemaking website at <http://ruleforum.llnl.gov>. This site allows you to upload comments as files in any format, if your web browser supports the function. For information about the interactive rulemaking website, contact Carol Gallagher, (301) 415-5905 e-mail: cag@nrc.gov.

The petition and copies of comments received may be inspected, and copied for a fee, at the NRC Public Document Room, (first floor) 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.