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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

[01-01-S1]

Designation for the Cairo (IL), Louisiana, and North Carolina Areas

**AGENCY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA). **ACTION:** Notice.

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**SUMMARY:** GIPSA announces designation of the following organizations to

provide official services under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act): Cairo Grain Inspection Agency, Inc. (Cairo); Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (Louisiana); and North Carolina Department of Agriculture (North Carolina).

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2001. ADDRESSES: USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, Room 1647–S, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250–3604.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet M. Hart at 202–720–8525, e-mail janhart@gipsadc.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and Departmental Regulation 1512–1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

In the March 8, 2001, **Federal Register** (66 FR 13874), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the geographic areas assigned to the official agencies named above to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by March 31, 2001.

Cairo, Louisiana, and North Carolina were the sole applicants for designation to provide official services in the entire area currently assigned to them, so GIPSA did not ask for comments on them.

GIPSA evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in Section 7(f)(l)(A) of the Act and, according to Section 7(f)(l)(B), determined that Cairo, Louisiana, and North Carolina are able to provide official services in the geographic areas specified in the March 8, 2001, Federal Register, for which they applied.

Interested persons may obtain official services by calling the telephone numbers listed below.

Official agency	Headquarters location and telephone	Designation start—end
Cairo	Cairo, IL; 618–734–0689	10/01/2001-09/30/2004 10/01/2001-09/30/2004 10/01/2001-09/30/2004

**Authority:** Pub. L. 94–582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*).

Dated: August 16, 2001.

## David R. Shipman,

Acting Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration. [FR Doc. 01–21930 Filed 8–31–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–EN–P

## **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

[01-03-A]

Opportunity for Designation in the Barton (KY), Central Illinois (IL), North Dakota (ND) and Plainview (TX) Areas, and Request for Comments on the Official Agencies Serving These Areas

**AGENCY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The designations of the official agencies listed below will end in March 2002. GIPSA is asking persons interested in providing official services in the areas served by these agencies to submit an application for designation. GIPSA is also asking for comments on the services provided by these currently designated agencies:

J. W. Barton Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (Barton);

Central Illinois Grain Inspection, Inc. (Central Illinois);

North Dakota Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (North Dakota); and Plainview Grain Inspection and

Weighing Service, Inc. (Plainview).

**DATES:** Applications and comments must be postmarked or sent by telecopier (FAX) on or before October 1, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Submit applications and comments to USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, Room 1647–S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW.,

Washington, DC 20250–3604; FAX 202–690–2755. If an application is submitted by FAX, GIPSA reserves the right to request an original application. All applications and comments will be made available for public inspection at Room 1647–S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., during regular business hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Janet M. Hart at 202–720–8525, e-mail janhart@gipsadc.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and Departmental Regulation 1512–1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply

to this Action.
Section 7(f)(1) of the United States
Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act),
authorizes GIPSA's Administrator to
designate a qualified applicant to
provide official services in a specified
area after determining that the applicant