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#### **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

# National Institute of Food and Agriculture

# 7 CFR Part 3434

RIN 0524-AA39

Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (HSACU) Certification Process

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), USDA.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment to NIFA regulations updates the list of institutions that are granted Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (HSACU) certification by the Secretary and are eligible for HSACU programs for the period starting July 1, 2024, and ending July 1, 2025.

**DATES:** This rule is effective October 8, 2024 and applicable July 1, 2024.

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# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

HSACU Institutions for Fiscal Year 2024: This rule makes changes to the existing list of institutions in appendix B of 7 CFR part 3434. The list of institutions is amended to reflect the institutions that are granted HSACU certification by the Secretary and are eligible for HSACU programs for the period starting July 1, 2024, and ending July 1, 2025.

Certification Process: As stated in 7 CFR 3434.4, an institution must meet the following criteria to receive HSACU certification: (1) Be a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI), (2) offer agriculture-related degrees, (3) not be designated an 1862 land-grant institution, (4) not appear on the Excluded Parties List

System (EPLS), (5) be accredited, and (6) award at least 15% of agriculture-related degrees to Hispanic students over the two most recent academic years.

NIFA obtained the latest report from the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics that lists all HSIs and the degrees conferred by these institutions (completion data) during the 2021–22 academic year. NIFA used this report to identify HSIs that conferred a degree in an instructional program that appears in appendix A of 7 CFR part 3434 and to confirm that over the 2020-21 and 2021-22 academic years at least 15% of the degrees in agriculture-related fields were awarded to Hispanic students. NIFA further confirmed that these institutions were nationally accredited.

The updated list of HSACUs is based on (1) completions data from 2020–21 and 2021–22, and (2) enrollment data from Fall 2022. NIFA identified 240 institutions that met the eligibility criteria to receive HSACU certification for FY 2024 (July 1,2024 to July 1, 2025).

Section 7102 of the Agriculture Act of 2018 (Pub. L. 115–334) amended Section 1404(14) of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3103(14)) to remove the opt-in, opt-out language for Hispanic Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (HSACU) in order to apply for Non Land-Grant College of Agriculture (NLGCA) designation.

Appeal Process: As set forth in 7 CFR 3434.8, NIFA will permit HSIs that are not granted HSACU certification to submit an appeal within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

Classification: This rule relates to public property, loans, grants, benefits, or contracts. Accordingly, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553, notice of proposed rulemaking and opportunity for comment are not required, and this rule may be made effective less than 30 days after publication in the Federal **Register**. This rule also is exempt from the provisions of Executive Order 12866. This action is not a rule as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act, as amended by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, 5 U.S.C. 601 et seq., or the Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 et seq., and thus is exempt from the provisions of those Acts. This rule contains no information collection or

recordkeeping requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

# List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 3434

Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural research, education, extension, Hispanic-serving institutions, Federal assistance.

Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended accordingly as set forth below:

# PART 3434—HISPANIC-SERVING AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES CERTIFICATION PROCESS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 3434 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 3103.

■ 2. Revise appendix B to read as follows:

# Appendix B to Part 3434—List of HSACU Institutions, 2024–2025

The institutions listed in this appendix are granted HSACU certification by the Secretary and are eligible for HSACU programs for the period starting July 1, 2024 and ending July 1, 2025. Institutions are listed alphabetically under the state of the school's location, with the campus indicated where applicable.

# Arkansas (1)

Cossatot Community College of the University of Arkansas

### Arizona (12)

Arizona State University Campus Immersion
Arizona Western College
Chandler-Gilbert Community College
Cochise County Community College District
Estrella Mountain Community College
GateWay Community College
Glendale Community College
Mesa Community College
Phoenix College
Rio Salado College
Scottsdale Community College
South Mountain Community College

# California (97)

Allan Hancock College
American River College
Antelope Valley Community College District
Bakersfield College
Butte College
Cabrillo College
California Baptist University
California Lutheran University
California State Polytechnic University—
Humboldt
California State Polytechnic University—
Pomona
California State University—Bakersfield

California State University—Channel Islands California State University—Chico California State University—East Bay California State University—Fresno California State University—Fullerton California State University—Long Beach California State University—Los Angeles California State University—Monterey Bay California State University—Northridge California State University—Sacramento California State University—San Bernardino California State University—San Marcos California State University—Stanislaus Chabot College Chaffey College Citrus College

Clovis Community College College of San Mateo College of the Canyons College of the Desert College of the Sequoias Cosumnes River College Crafton Hills College Cuesta College Cypress College Diablo Valley College

East Los Angeles College El Camino Community College District

Evergreen Valley College Foothill College Fresno City College Fresno Pacific University

Fullerton College

Glendale Community College

Hartnell College Imperial Valley College

Lake Tahoe Community College Las Positas College Long Beach City College Los Angeles City College Los Angeles Harbor College Los Angeles Mission College Los Angeles Pierce College Los Angeles Southwest College Los Angeles Trade Technical College Madera Community College

Merced College MiraCosta College Modesto Junior College Monterey Peninsula College Moorpark College

Mt San Antonio College

Mt San Jacinto Community College District

Orange Coast College Oxnard College Palomar College Pasadena City College Porterville College Reedley College Rio Hondo College Riverside City College Saddleback Čollege

Saint Mary's College of California San Bernardino Valley College San Diego Mesa College San Diego Miramar College San Diego State University San Francisco State University San Joaquin Delta College

San Jose City College San Jose State University Santa Barbara City College Santa Monica College Santa Rosa Junior College Southwestern College University of California-Irvine University of California-Riverside University of California-Santa Barbara University of California-Santa Cruz University of La Verne University of Redlands Ventura College Victor Valley College West Hills College-Coalinga West Los Angeles College Yuba College

#### Colorado (6)

Colorado State University Pueblo Community College of Denver Metropolitan State University of Denver Regis University Trinidad State College University of Northern Colorado

#### Connecticut (2)

Gateway Community College Norwalk Community College

#### Florida (12)

Ana G. Mendez University **Broward College** Florida Atlantic University Florida International University Hillsborough Community College Indian River State College Miami Dade College Nova Southeastern University Palm Beach State College Seminole State College of Florida University of Central Florida Valencia College

#### Georgia (2)

Dalton State College Lanier Technical College

#### Idaho (1)

College of Southern Idaho

#### Illinois (6)

City Colleges of Chicago—Richard J Daley College College of Lake County Dominican University Northeastern Illinois University Triton College

University of Illinois Chicago

#### Kansas (1)

Seward County Community College

#### Nevada (4)

College of Southern Nevada Nevada State College Truckee Meadows Community College University of Nevada-Las Vegas

# New Jersey (9)

Atlantic Cape Community College Bergen Community College Hudson County Community College Kean University Middlesex College Montclair State University New Jersey Institute of Technology Passaic County Community College William Paterson University of New Jersey

#### New Mexico (9)

Central New Mexico Community College Eastern New Mexico University—Main Campus

Eastern New Mexico University—Roswell Campus New Mexico Highlands University Northern New Mexico College Santa Fe Community College University of New Mexico—Los Alamos Campus University of New Mexico-Main Campus Western New Mexico University

#### New York (12)

**CUNY City College CUNY Hostos Community College CUNY Hunter College** CUNY LaGuardia Community College **CUNY Lehman College** CUNY Queens College CUNY Queensborough Community College Manhattan College Manhattanville College Mercy College Nassau Community College Suffolk County Community College

#### North Carolina (1)

Sampson Community College

#### Oregon (1)

Chemeketa Community College

#### Puerto Rico (20)

Dewey University—Juana Díaz Instituto Tecnologico de Puerto Rico— Recinto de Manati

Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Aguadilla

Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Arecibo

Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Barranquitas

Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Bayamon Inter American University of Puerto Rico-

Guavama Inter American University of Puerto Rico-

Inter American University of Puerto Rico—

San German Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto

Rico-Arecibo Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto

Rico-Ponce Universal Technology College of Puerto Rico

Universidad Ana G. Mendez—Carolina

Universidad Ana G. Mendez—Cupey Campus Universidad Ana G. Mendez—Gurabo Campus

University of Puerto Rico—Arecibo University of Puerto Rico—Humacao

University of Puerto Rico—Medical Sciences

University of Puerto Rico—Rio Piedras University of Puerto Rico-Utuado

# Rhode Island (1)

Rhode Island College

#### Tennessee (1)

Southern Adventist University

# Texas (35)

Amarillo College Angelo State University Austin College Austin Community College District Concordia University Texas Dallas College

Houston Community College Huston-Tillotson University Lee College Lone Star College System Odessa College Palo Alto College Saint Edward's University Sam Houston State University South Plains College Southwest Texas Junior College Southwestern University St. Mary's University Sul Ross State University Tarrant County College District Texas A & M University-Corpus Christi Texas A & M University-Kingsville Texas State University Texas Woman's University The University of Texas at Arlington The University of Texas at Austin The University of Texas at El Paso The University of Texas at San Antonio The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley Tvler Junior College University of Houston University of Houston-Clear Lake University of North Texas University of the Incarnate Word Wayland Baptist University

#### Virginia (1)

Northern Virginia Community College

#### Washington (6)

Big Bend Community College Columbia Basin College Heritage University Perry Technical Institute Wenatchee Valley College Yakima Valley College

Done at Washington, DC, this day of October 1, 2024.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

10 CFR Part 430

[EERE-2014-BT-STD-0058]

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**Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Consumer Clothes Dryers** 

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Direct final rule; confirmation of effective and compliance dates; technical correction.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") published a direct final rule to establish amended energy conservation standards for consumer clothes dryers in the Federal Register

on March 12, 2024. DOE has determined that the comments received in response to the direct final rule do not provide a reasonable basis for withdrawing the direct final rule. Therefore, DOE provides this document confirming the effective and compliance dates of those standards. This document also clarifies the introductory notes to the appendices for the consumer dryer test procedure to conform with the amended standards promulgated by direct final rule published on March 12, 2024.

DATES: The technical correction in this document is effective October 8, 2024. The effective date of July 10, 2024 for the direct final rule published on March 12, 2024 (89 FR 18164) is confirmed. Compliance with the standards established in the direct final rule will be required on March 1, 2028.

**ADDRESSES:** The docket for this rulemaking, which includes Federal Register notices, public meeting attendee lists and transcripts, comments, and other supporting documents/materials, is available for review at www.regulations.gov. All documents in the docket are listed in the www.regulations.gov index. However, not all documents listed in the index may be publicly available, such as information that is exempt from public disclosure.

The docket web page can be found at www.regulations.gov/docket/EERE-2014-BT-STD-0058. The docket web page contains instructions on how to access all documents, including public comments, in the docket.

For further information on how to submit a comment or review other public comments and the docket, contact the Appliance and Equipment Standards Program staff at (202) 287-1445 or by email:

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#### I. Authority

The Energy Policy and Conservation Act, Public Law 94-163, as amended ("EPCA"),1 authorizes DOE to issue a direct final rule establishing an energy conservation standard for a product on receipt of a statement submitted jointly by interested persons that are fairly representative of relevant points of view (including representatives of manufacturers of covered products, States, and efficiency advocates), as determined by the Secretary of Energy ("Secretary"), that contains recommendations with respect to an energy or water conservation standard that are in accordance with the provisions of 42 U.S.C. 6295(o) or 42 U.S.C. 6313(a)(6)(B), as applicable. (42 U.S.C. 6295(p)(4))

The direct final rule must be published simultaneously with a notice of proposed rulemaking ("NOPR") that proposes an energy or water conservation standard that is identical to the standard established in the direct final rule, and DOE must provide a public comment period of at least 110 days on this proposal. (42 U.S.C. 6295(p)(4)(A)–(B)) Not later than 120 days after issuance of the direct final rule, DOE shall withdraw the direct final rule if: (1) DOE receives one or more adverse public comments relating to the direct final rule or any alternative joint recommendation; and (2) based on the rulemaking record relating to the direct final rule, DOE determines that such adverse public comments or alternative joint recommendation may provide a reasonable basis for withdrawing the direct final rule. (42 U.S.C. 6295(p)(4)(C)) If DOE makes such

 $<sup>^{\</sup>scriptscriptstyle 1}$  All references to EPCA in this document refer to the statute as amended through the Energy Act of 2020, Public Law 116-260 (Dec. 27, 2020), which reflect the last statutory amendments that impact Parts A and A-1 of EPČA.