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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains notices to the public of the proposed issuance of rules and regulations. The purpose of these notices is to give interested persons an opportunity to participate in the rule making prior to the adoption of the final rules.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

7 CFR Part 1493

RIN 0551-AA74

CCC Export Credit Guarantee (GSM-102) Program

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service and Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) published a proposed rule on July 27, 2011 (76 FR 44836-44855), revising and amending the regulations that administer the Export Credit Guarantee (GSM-102) Program. Changes in this proposed rule incorporate program operational changes and information from press releases and notices to participants that have been implemented since the publication of the current rule, and include other administrative revisions to enhance clarity and program integrity. CCC is extending the comment period for the proposed rule to give the public more time to provide input and recommendations on the proposed rule. The original comment period would have closed on September 26, 2011; CCC is extending the comment period for 30 additional days. With this extension, the public may submit comments through October 26, 2011.

DATES: Comments concerning this proposed rule must be received by October 26, 2011, to be assured consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions to submit comments.
- *E-Mail:* GSMregs@fas.usda.gov.
- *Fax:* (202) 720-2495, Attention: "GSM102 Proposed Rule Comments".

- *Hand Delivery, Courier, or U.S. Postal delivery:* Amy Slusher, Deputy Director, Credit Programs Division, c/o Public Affairs Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Stop 1004, Room 5076, Washington, DC 20250-1004.

Comments may be inspected at 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. A copy of this proposed rule is available through the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) homepage at: <http://www.fas.usda.gov/excredits/exp-cred-guar-new.asp>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Amy Slusher, Deputy Director, Credit Programs Division; by phone at (202) 720-6211; or by e-mail at: Amy.Slusher@fas.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On July 27, 2011, CCC published a proposed rule titled "CCC Export Credit Guarantee (GSM-102) Program" in the *Federal Register* (76 FR 44836-44855). The GSM-102 Program is administered by the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) on behalf of CCC, pursuant to program regulations codified at 7 CFR part 1493 and through the issuance of "Program Announcements" and "Notices to Participants" that are consistent with this program regulation. The current regulations became effective on November 18, 1994. Since that time, CCC has implemented numerous operational changes to improve the efficiency of the program, including revised program controls to improve program quality, reduce costs, and protect against waste and fraud. Also since that time, agricultural trade and finance practices have evolved. This proposed rule is intended to reflect these changes and to enhance the overall clarity and integrity of the program. In addition, the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 repealed the authority to operate the GSM-103 Program, and this change is reflected in the proposed rule.

CCC has received comments from a number of organizations requesting that the comment period for the proposed rule be extended to allow industry and other affected parties, both in the United

States and abroad, to carefully analyze changes in the proposed rule and provide thorough comments. In response to this request, CCC is extending the comment period by 30 days to give the public more time to provide input and to make recommendations on the proposed rule. With this extension, the public may submit comments through October 26, 2011.

Dated: September 9, 2011.

Suzanne E. Heinen,

Acting Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation, and Acting Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

28 CFR Part 16

[OAG Docket No. 140; AG Order No. 3296-2011]

RIN 1105-AB27

Revision of Department of Justice Freedom of Information Act Regulations

AGENCY: Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: On March 21, 2011, the Department of Justice published a proposed rule revising its existing regulations under the Freedom of Information Act. The comment period for that rule closed on April 20, 2011. The Department is reopening the comment period for an additional 30-day period.

DATES: The comment period for the NRPM published on March 21, 2011 (76 FR 15236), closed on April 20, 2011. This document reopens the comment period. Written comments must be postmarked and electronic comments must be submitted on or before October 19, 2011. Commenters should be aware that the electronic Federal Docket Management System will not accept comments after Midnight Eastern Time on the last day of the comment period.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.

• **FAX:** (202) 514–1009. Send your comments to the attention of Caroline A. Smith.

• **Mail:** Caroline A. Smith, Office of Information Policy, U.S. Department of Justice, 1425 New York Ave, Suite 11050, Washington, DC 20530–0001.

To ensure proper handling, please reference OAG Docket No. 140 on your correspondence. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for further instructions for submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Caroline Smith ((202) 514–3642).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Posting of Public Comments

Please note that all comments received are considered part of the public record and made available for public inspection online at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Such information includes personal identifying information (such as your name and address) voluntarily submitted by the commenter.

You are not required to submit personal identifying information in order to comment on this rule. Nevertheless, if you want to submit personal identifying information (such as your name and address) as part of your comment, but do not want it to be posted online, you must include the phrase “PERSONAL IDENTIFYING INFORMATION” in the first paragraph of your comment. You also must locate all the personal identifying information you do not want posted online in the first paragraph of your comment and identify what information you want redacted.

If you want to submit confidential business information as part of your comment but do not want it to be posted online, you must include the phrase “CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS INFORMATION” in the first paragraph

of your comment. You also must prominently identify confidential business information to be redacted within the comment. If a comment has so much confidential business information that it cannot be effectively redacted, all or part of that comment may not be posted on <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Personal identifying information and confidential business information identified and located as set forth above will be placed in the agency’s public docket file, but not posted online. If you wish to inspect the agency’s public docket file in person by appointment, please see the paragraph above entitled **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Discussion

On March 21, 2011, the Department of Justice published a proposed rule revising its existing regulations under the FOIA. (See 76 FR 15236.) The rule proposed to amend the Department’s regulations under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The regulations will be revised to update and streamline the language of several procedural provisions, and to incorporate certain of the changes brought about by the amendments to the FOIA under the OPEN Government Act of 2007. Additionally, the regulations will be updated to reflect developments in the case law and to include current cost figures to be used in calculating and charging fees.

The Department received a number of comments while the comment period on the proposed rule was open, but has decided to reopen the comment period in order to ensure that it receives, reviews, and considers as wide a range of comments as possible. Accordingly, the Department is reopening the comment period and will accept comments for an additional 30 days

after publication of this notice of proposed rulemaking.

Dated: September 12, 2011.

Eric H. Holder, Jr.,

Attorney General.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

46 CFR Parts 381 and 382

[Docket No. MARAD 2011–0121]

Retrospective Review Under E.O. 13563: Cargo Preference

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation (Department or DOT) has been engaged for several years in an interagency discussion of its existing Cargo Preference regulations. In accordance with Executive Order 13563, “Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review,” the Maritime Administration (MarAd) is evaluating the rules’ continued validity and whether they effectively address current issues. As part of this review, MarAd invites the public to participate in a comment process designed to help it provide for a more easily administered system of regulations to benefit shippers and shipper agencies in meeting cargo preference requirements pursuant to the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended (the Act) and Maritime Administration implementing regulations.

DATES: The public meeting will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. on October 3, 2011. Other important dates:

Deadline to register to attend the public meeting in person [See also <i>Registration</i>]	September 23, 2011.
Deadline to register to speak in person, speak by calling in, or to listen only by phone [See also <i>Registration</i>]	September 23, 2011.
Agenda released on regs.dot.gov and MarAd Web site	September 28, 2011.
Call-in and Listen-only info distributed to registrants	September 28, 2011.
Deadline to submit any digital presentation materials	September 28, 2011.
Public Meeting	October 3, 2011— 1 p.m.–4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held in the DOT Conference Center rooms 8–10, located on the ground floor of 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. The conference rooms will be open at noon to accommodate early arrivals. Overflow seating will be available in the adjacent conference room 6.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christine S. Gurland, Assistant Chief Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Chief Counsel, Mar 225, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, Washington, DC 20590; (202) 366–5157; e-mail: Christine.Gurland@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On January 18, 2011, President Obama issued Executive Order 13563, which outlined a plan to improve regulation and regulatory review (76 FR 3821, 1/21/11). Executive Order 13563 reaffirms and builds upon governing principles of contemporary regulatory review, including Executive Order 12866, “Regulatory Planning and