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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of advisory committee meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this constitutes notice of the upcoming meeting of the Grain Inspection Advisory Committee ("the Committee").

DATES: May 3, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and May 4, 2005, 7:30 a.m. to Noon.

ADDRESSES: The Advisory Committee meeting will take place at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Kansas City Plaza, 220 West 43rd Street, Kansas City, MO.

Requests to address the Committee at the meeting or written comments may be sent to: Deputy Administrator, GIPSA, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., STOP 3614, Washington, DC 20250-3614. Requests and comments may also be Faxed to (202) 690-2755.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Terri Henry, (202) 205-8281 (telephone); (202) 690-2755 (facsimile).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Administrator of the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration with respect to the implementation of the U.S. Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*).

The agenda will include a status report on the reauthorization of the U.S. Grain Standards Act, financial update of grain inspection user fee programs, next steps concerning the potential outsourcing of rice inspection, restructuring the oversight of the official agencies, preliminary review of revised quality assurance procedures, status of designating private companies in South Texas and California to provide

inspection services, new requirements for inspecting grain exported in containers, review of pros and cons to using a single instruction to measure both moisture and test weight per bushel, and other general Agency issues.

For a copy of the agenda please contact Terri Henry, (202) 205-8281 (telephone); (202) 690-2755 (facsimile) or by e-mail Terri.L.Henry@usda.gov.

Public participation will be limited to written statements, unless permission is received from the Committee Chairman to orally address the Committee. The meeting will be open to the public.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication of program information or related accommodations should contact Terri Henry, at the telephone number listed above.

David Orr,

Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of Inspector General

Succession and Delegations of Authority

AGENCY: Office of Inspector General, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On July 19, 2004, USDA Inspector General Phyllis K. Fong, pursuant to authority vested in her by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act (5 U.S.C. 3345-3349d) and the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App. 3), issued IG-1313, Change 6, Succession and Delegations of Authority. This directive is a revised Succession and Delegations of Authority for the Office of Inspector General. This directive has been revised to show the lines of succession and delegation and clarifies procedures to be followed in the event the Office of Inspector General (OIG) headquarters must be relocated. This directive provides guidance on the transfer of functions and duties of the Inspector General (IG), as well as other OIG central management functions, regardless of what events necessitate such transfer.

DATES: This notice is effective June 6, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David R. Gray, Counsel to the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 41-W, Washington, DC 20250-2308, Telephone: (202) 720-9110, Facsimile: (202) 690-1528, e-mail: drgray@oig.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The OIG proposes revising the Succession and Delegations of Authority for the Office of Inspector General by publishing a detailed sequence of succession within the Washington, DC headquarters, followed by a detailed sequence of succession by Region and position, i.e., Regional Inspector General (RIG) and Special Agent-in-Charge (SAC), for each OIG Region outside the Washington, DC area. This action is taken pursuant to authority vested in the Inspector General by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act (5 U.S.C. 3345-3349d) and the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App. 3).

For the reasons stated in the preamble, Succession and Delegations of Authority IG-1313, Change 5, is hereby revised to effect a delegation of authority and provide a line of succession from the Inspector General as follows:

I. Pursuant to authority vested in me by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act (5 U.S.C. 3345-3349d) and the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App. 3), in the event of the resignation, death, or reasons that make the Inspector General (IG), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) otherwise unable to perform the duties of the position, the officials designated below, in the order indicated, and in the absence of the specific designation of another official in writing by the Inspector General or the Acting Inspector General, are hereby authorized to and shall serve as Acting Inspector General. The designated officials shall perform the duties and are delegated the full authority and power ascribed to the Inspector General by law and regulation as well as those authorities delegated to the Inspector General by the Secretary, United States Department of Agriculture:

1. Deputy Inspector General;
2. Assistant Inspector General for Audit (AIG/A);
3. Assistant Inspector General for Investigations (AIG/I);
4. Counsel to the Inspector General;

5. Assistant Inspector General for Policy Development and Resources Management (AIG/PD&RM);

6. Assistant Inspector General for Planning and Special Projects (AIG/P&SP);

7. Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit (DAIG/A), by seniority;

8. Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Investigations (DAIG/I), by seniority;

9. In Headquarters, Washington, DC, in the following order: The Audit Division Director (DD), by seniority, followed by the Special Agent-in-Charge (SAC), by seniority;

In the following order by region: The Regional Inspector General (RIG), followed by the Special Agent-in-Charge (SAC):

10. Great Plains Region, Kansas City, MO;

11. Financial and IT Operations, Kansas City, MO;

12. Southwest Region, Temple, TX;

13. Northeast Region, Beltsville, MD;

14. Southeast Region, Atlanta, GA;

15. Midwest Region, Chicago, IL; or

16. Western Region, San Francisco, CA.

II. Anyone designated by the Inspector General as acting in one of the positions listed above remains in the line of succession; otherwise, the authority moves to the next position.

III. This delegation is not in derogation of any authority residing in the above officials relating to the operations of their respective programs, nor does it affect the validity of any delegations currently in force and effect and not specifically cited as revoked or revised herein.

IV. The authorities delegated herein may not be redelegated.

Dated: March 22, 2005.

Phyllis K. Fong,

Inspector General.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Data Collection on Marine Protected and Managed Areas.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: 0648-0449.
Type of Request: Regular submission.
Burden Hours: 2,500.

Number of Respondents: 500.

Average Hours per Response: 5 hours.

Needs and Uses: Executive Order

13158 directs the Department of Commerce and the Department of the Interior (DOI) to work with partners to inventory the protection of U.S. ocean and coastal resources by developing a national system of marine protected areas. The Departments of Commerce and the Interior plan to work closely with state, territorial, local, and tribal governments, as well as other stakeholders, to identify and inventory the nation's existing marine protected and managed areas. Toward this end, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and DOI have created a dataform to be used as a survey tool to collect and analyze information on these existing sites. This survey will allow NOAA and DOI to better understand and evaluate the existing protections for marine resources within marine protected and managed areas in the United States.

Affected Public: State, local or tribal government.

Frequency: Once and for updates.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, fax number (202) 395-7285, or David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: March 30, 2005.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the

Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Coral Reef Conservation Program Administration.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: 0648-0448.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 78.

Number of Respondents: 38.

Average Hours Per Response: 1 hour.

Needs and Uses: The Coral Reef Conservation Grant Program provides funds to a broad-based group of applicants with experience in coral reef conservation to conduct activities to protect and conserve coral reef ecosystems. The information submitted is used to determine: (1) Whether the applicant qualifies for a waiver of matching funds, and (2) if a proposed project is consistent with the coral reef conservation priorities of authorities with jurisdiction over the area where the project will be carried out. The respondents will be applicants to the grant program and/or reviewers of relevant project proposals.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; Federal government; State, local or tribal government.

Frequency: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

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Dated: March 30, 2005.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the