

Proposals are submitted by the State Agency and must be accompanied by completed Standard Forms (SF) 424 and 424A. AMS will not approve the use of FSMIP funds for advertising or, with limited exceptions, for the purchase of equipment. Detailed program guidelines may be obtained from your State Department of Agriculture, the above AMS contact, or the FSMIP Web site: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/tmd/fsmip.htm>.

FSMIP funds a wide range of applied research projects that address barriers, challenges, and opportunities in marketing, transportation, and distribution of U.S. food and agricultural products domestically and internationally.

Eligible agricultural categories include livestock, livestock products, food and feed crops, fish and shellfish, horticulture, viticulture, apiary, and forest products and processed or manufactured products derived from such commodities. Reflecting the growing diversity of U.S. agriculture, in recent years, FSMIP has funded projects dealing with nutraceuticals, bioenergy, compost, and products made from agricultural residues.

Proposals may deal with barriers, challenges, or opportunities manifesting at any stage of the marketing chain including direct, wholesale, and retail. Proposals may involve small, medium, or large scale agricultural entities but should potentially benefit multiple producers or agribusinesses. Proprietary proposals that benefit one business or individual will not be considered.

Proposals that address issues of importance at the State, regional or national level are appropriate for FSMIP. FSMIP also seeks unique proposals on a smaller scale that may serve as pilot projects or case studies useful as a model for others. Of particular interest are proposals that reflect a collaborative approach among the States, academia, the farm sector and other appropriate entities and stakeholders.

FSMIP's enabling legislation authorizes projects to:

- Determine the best methods for processing, preparing for market, packing, handling, transporting, storing, distributing, and marketing agricultural products.
- Determine the costs of marketing agricultural products in their various forms and through various channels.
- Assist in the development of more efficient marketing methods, practices, and facilities to bring about more efficient and orderly marketing, and reduce the price spread between the producer and the consumer.

- Develop and improve standards of quality, condition, quantity, grade, and packaging in order to encourage uniformity and consistency in commercial practices.
- Eliminate artificial barriers to the free movement of agricultural products in commercial channels.
- Foster new/expanded domestic/foreign markets and new/expanded uses of agricultural products.
- Collect and disseminate marketing information to anticipate and meet consumer requirements, maintain farm income, and balance production and utilization.

Applicants have the option of submitting FSMIP applications electronically through the central Federal grants web site, <http://www.grants.gov> instead of mailing hard copy documents. Applicants considering the electronic application option are strongly urged to familiarize themselves with the Federal grants web site well before the application deadline and to begin the application process before the deadline. Additional details about the FSMIP application process for all applicants are available at the FSMIP Web site: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/tmd/fsmip.htm>.

FSMIP is listed in the "Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance" under number 10.156 and subject agencies must adhere to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which bars discrimination in all Federally assisted programs.

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Lloyd C. Day,
Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Doc. No. CN–06–002]

Recommendations of Advisory Committee on Universal Cotton Standards

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) held a meeting of the Universal Cotton Standards Advisory Committee in Memphis, Tennessee on June 9 and 10, 2005. This notice announces the Advisory Committee's recommendation to expand the

Universal Cotton Standards Agreement to include Universal HVI Cotton Color Standards and to recognize the color tolerance for Rd and +b as defined by USDA Guidelines for HVI Testing. These guidelines can be obtained on the Internet from the USDA, AMS, Cotton Program's Web site at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cotton/cnpubs.htm>.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 31, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the Advisory Committee's recommendation to Darryl W. Earnest, Deputy Administrator, Cotton Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., STOP 0224, Washington, DC 20250–0224. Comments should be submitted in triplicate. Comments may also be submitted electronically to: cottoncomments@usda.gov or <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments should reference the docket number and the date and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. All comments received will be made available for public inspection at the Cotton Program, AMS, USDA, Room 2641–S, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250 during regular business hours. A copy of this notice may be found at: www.ams.usda.gov/cotton/rulemaking.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Darryl W. Earnest, Deputy Administrator, Cotton Program, AMS, USDA, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., STOP 0224, Washington, DC 20250–0224, telephone 202–720–3193, facsimile 202–690–1718, or e-mail at darryl.earnest@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Universal Cotton Standards Advisory Committee meets triennially to consider any necessary changes to the Universal Cotton Standards and to review freshly prepared sets of Universal Cotton Standards for conformity with the existing standards.

At its June 9–10, 2005, meeting the committee recommended to expand the Universal Cotton Standards Agreement to include Universal HVI Cotton Color Standards and to recognize the color tolerance for RD and +b as defined by USDA Guidelines for HVI Testing. These guidelines can be obtained on the Internet at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cotton/cnpubs.htm>.

High Volume Instrument (HVI) Classing of cotton has been available on an optional basis since 1980. Since 1991, HVI classification has been provided on all cotton classed by USDA along with the classer color grade and

leaf grade, which conform to the Universal Grade Standards. HVI systems provide the most scientific and reliable sources of cotton quality information available. The advisory committee includes representatives of all segments of the U.S. cotton industry and the 23 overseas cotton associations that are signatories to the Universal Cotton Standards Agreement. Adoption of this recommendation will continue to facilitate establishing a universal language for the marketing of U.S. cotton under the HVI classification system.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 51-65.

Dated: November 28, 2005.

Lloyd C. Day,

Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers; Correction

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) published a document in the **Federal Register** of November 8, 2005, concerning the termination of petitions for trade adjustment assistance (TAA) that were filed by shrimp producers in Alabama, Arizona, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Texas. The document did not contain information regarding all the states that were also terminated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean-Louis Pajot, 202-720-2916.

Correction

In the **Federal Register** issue of November 8, 2005, in FR Doc. 05-22228, on page 67658, in the first column, correct the notice to read:

The Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), today terminated the certification of petitions for trade adjustment assistance (TAA) that was filed by shrimp producers in Alabama, Arizona, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Texas. Shrimp producers in these states are no longer eligible for TAA benefits in fiscal year 2006.

Dated: November 21, 2005.

W. Kirk Miller,

Acting Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed additions to and deletions from Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee is proposing to add to the Procurement List products and services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and to delete products previously furnished by such agencies.

Comments Must be Received on or Before: January 1, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Jefferson Plaza 2, Suite 10800, 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia, 22202-3259.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT COMMENTS CONTACT: Sheryl D. Kennerly, Telephone: (703) 603-7740, Fax: (703) 603-0655, or e-mail SKennerly@jwod.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a) (2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed actions.

Additions

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, the entities of the Federal government identified in this notice for each product or service will be required to procure the products and services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. If approved, the action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will

furnish the products and services to the government.

2. If approved, the action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the products and services to the government.

3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the products and services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

End of Certification

The following products and services are proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Products

Paper or Stationer's Shears (GSA Global Supply Only).

NSN: 5110-00-161-6912—9" Shears have 4⁵/₈" length of cut.

Straight Trimmer's Shears (GSA Global Supply Only).

NSN: 5110-00-293-9199—7" Shears have 3" length of cut.

NPA: Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Contracting Activity: GSA, Hardware & Appliance Center, Kansas City, Missouri.

Services

Service Type/Location: Custodial Services, Cliffside Gas Field Facility, 15 Miles NW. of Amarillo, Amarillo, Texas.

NPA: World Technical Services, Inc., San Antonio, Texas.

Contracting Activity: Bureau of Land Management, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Service Type/Location: Grounds Maintenance, USDA, Agriculture Research Service, Weslaco Center, 2413 E. Highway 83, Weslaco, Texas.

NPA: World Technical Services, Inc., San Antonio, Texas.

Contracting Activity: USDA, Agriculture Research Service, College Station, Texas.

Deletions

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1. If approved, the action may result in additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.

2. If approved, the action may result in authorizing small entities to furnish the products to the Government.