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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Doc. No. AMS-LS-09-0054]

Results of Soybean Request for Referendum

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The results of the Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) Request for Referendum indicate that too few soybean producers wanted a referendum on the Soybean Promotion and Research Order (Order) for one to be conducted. The Request for Referendum was conducted from May 4, 2009, through May 29, 2009, at the Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency county offices. To trigger a referendum, 58,918 soybean producers needed to complete a Request for Referendum. The number of soybean producers requesting a referendum was 759.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kenneth R. Payne, Chief, Marketing Programs Branch, Livestock and Seed Program, AMS, USDA, Room 2628-S, STOP 0251, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0251; Telephone 202/720-1115; Fax 202/720-1125; or e-mail to Kenneth.Payne@ams.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Soybean Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Act (Act) (7 U.S.C. 6301 *et seq.*), every 5 years the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary) gives soybean producers the opportunity to request a referendum on the Order. If the Secretary determines that at least 10 percent of U.S. producers engaged in growing soybeans (not in excess of one-fifth of which may be producers in any one State) support the conduct of a referendum, the Secretary must conduct a referendum within 1

year of that determination. If these requirements are not met, a referendum is not conducted.

A notice of opportunity to Request a Soybean Referendum was published in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 9382) on March 4, 2009. To be eligible to participate in the Request for Referendum, producers or the producer entity that they are authorized to represent must provide supporting documentation showing that they or the producer entity they represent paid an assessment sometime during the representative period between January 1, 2007, and December 31, 2008. Based on USDA data, there are 589,182 soybean producers in the United States. This information was published in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 9047) on March 2, 2009, to establish the number of producers eligible to request a referendum.

A total of 759 valid Requests for Referendum were completed by eligible soybean producers. This number does not meet the requisite number of 58,918. Therefore, based on the Request for Referendum results, a referendum will not be conducted. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, soybean producers will be provided another opportunity to request a referendum in 5 years.

The following is the State-by-State results of the Request for Referendum:

State	Valid ballots
Alabama	2
Alaska	0
Arizona	0
Arkansas	1
California	0
Colorado	0
Connecticut	0
Delaware	2
Florida	1
Georgia	1
Hawaii	0
Idaho	0
Illinois	112
Indiana	112
Iowa	102
Kansas	15
Kentucky	5
Louisiana	0
Maine	0
Maryland	11
Massachusetts	0
Michigan	31
Minnesota	71
Mississippi	0
Missouri	62

State	Valid ballots
Montana	0
Nebraska	27
Nevada	0
New Hampshire	0
New Jersey	0
New Mexico	0
New York	10
North Carolina	13
North Dakota	3
Ohio	87
Oklahoma	3
Oregon	0
Pennsylvania	3
Rhode Island	0
South Carolina	3
South Dakota	38
Tennessee	7
Texas	4
Utah	0
Vermont	0
Virginia	6
Washington	0
West Virginia	2
Wisconsin	25
Wyoming	0

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 6301-6311.

Dated: November 19, 2009.

Rayne Pegg,

Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Sunshine Act Notice

AGENCY: United States Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, December 4, 2009; 9:30 a.m. EST.

PLACE: 624 9th St., NW., Room 540, Washington, DC 20425.

Meeting Agenda

This meeting is open to the public.

- I. Approval of Agenda.
- II. Program Planning.
 - Update on Status of 2010 Enforcement Report.
 - Update on Status of Title IX Project.
 - Approval of Briefing Report on Covert Wiretapping in the War on Terror.
 - Approval of MEPA Briefing Report.
- III. Management & Operations.
 - Update Regarding Special Assistant GS Level.

- IV. Approval of September 24, October 8, October 15, October 30, and November 20 Meeting Minutes.
 V. Staff Director's Report.
 VI. Adjourn.

CONTACT PERSON FOR FURTHER

INFORMATION: Lenore Ostrowsky, Acting Chief, Public Affairs Unit (202) 376-8591. TDD: (202) 376-8116.

Persons with a disability requiring special services, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, should contact Pamela Dunston at least seven days prior to the meeting at 202-376-8105. TDD: (202) 376-8116.

Dated: November 23, 2009.

David Blackwood,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

The Department of Commerce will submit 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: Northeast Region Permit Family of Forms.

OMB Control Number: 0648-0202.

Form Number(s): NA.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Number of Respondents: 21,554.

Average Hours per Response: Permit applications or renewals, 30 minutes to 1 hour; vessel replacement/upgrade requests, 3 hours; requests for lobster or gillnet tags, exemption requests and notifications, 5 minutes; and proposed sector allocation proposal and plan of operations, 50 hours each.

Burden Hours: 26,832.

Needs and Uses: The participants in the marine fishing industry, including vessel owners, vessel operators, and fish dealers, who wish to participate in regulated Northeast Regional fisheries must apply for, and obtain, permits. Persons obtaining permits may also be subject to notification, tagging, and other requirements. This request affects collections associated with the Atlantic Herring, Atlantic Mackerel, Atlantic Sea Scallop, Black Sea Bass, Bluefish, Illex Squid, Loligo Squid, Butterfish, Monkfish, Northeast (NE) Multispecies, Ocean Quahog, Scup, Spiny Dogfish, Summer Flounder, Surf Clam, Tilefish, Deep-sea Red Crab, NE Skates, and

American Lobster Fishery Management Plans, developed under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Annually and on occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

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 7845, 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: November 19, 2009.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration**

[A-570-908]

First Antidumping Duty Administrative Review of Sodium Hexametaphosphate from the People's Republic of China: Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 25, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Walker, AD/CVD Operations, Office 9, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0413.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

On April 27, 2009, the Department of Commerce ("Department") published in the **Federal Register** a notice of initiation of an administrative review of sodium hexametaphosphate from the People's Republic of China ("PRC"), covering the period September 14, 2007 - February 28, 2009. See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty*

Administrative Reviews and Request for Revocation in Part, 74 FR 19042 (April 27, 2009) ("*Initiation*"). From May 26, 2009 to October 28, 2009, the respondent in this review submitted responses to the Department's antidumping duty questionnaires. The preliminary results of this administrative review are currently due on December 1, 2009.

Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), requires the Department to issue the preliminary results of an administrative review within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order for which a review is requested. If it is not practicable to complete the review within the time period, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend this deadline to a maximum of 365 days.

The Department determines that completion of the preliminary results of this review within the statutory time period is not practicable, given the extraordinarily complicated nature of the proceeding. The Department requires more time to gather and analyze a significant amount of information pertaining to the respondent's corporate structure and ownership, sales practices, and manufacturing methods. The Department also requires additional time to analyze the questionnaire responses and conduct verification. Therefore, given the number and complexity of issues in this case, and in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, we are extending the time period for issuing the preliminary results of review by 60 days until January 30, 2010. The final results continue to be due 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results.

This notice is published pursuant to sections 751(1)(3)(A) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2).

Dated: November 19, 2009.

John M. Andersen,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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