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ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

Notice of Public Meeting of the Assembly of the Administrative Conference of the United States

AGENCY: Administrative Conference of the United States.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.), the Assembly of the Administrative Conference of the United States will hold a meeting to consider three proposed recommendations and one proposed statement, and to conduct other business. This meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will take place on Thursday, December 5, 2013, 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., and on Friday, December 6, 2013, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Please note that the meeting may adjourn early if all business is finished.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW., Washington, DC 20581 (Main Conference Room).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shawne McGibbon, General Counsel (Designated Federal Officer), Administrative Conference of the United States, Suite 706 South, 1120 20th Street NW., Washington, DC 20036; Telephone 202-480-2088; email smcgibbon@acus.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Administrative Conference of the United States makes recommendations to federal agencies, the President, Congress, and the Judicial Conference of the United States regarding the improvement of administrative procedures (5 U.S.C. 594). The membership of the Conference, when meeting in plenary session, constitutes

the Assembly of the Conference (5 U.S.C. 595).

Agenda: The Assembly will discuss and consider three recommendations and one statement, as described below:

- *Improving the Timeliness of OIRA Regulatory Review.* This proposed statement highlights potential mechanisms for improving review times for rules under review by the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), including promoting enhanced coordination between OIRA and agencies prior to the submission of rules, encouraging increased transparency concerning the reasons for delayed reviews, and ensuring that OIRA has adequate staffing to complete reviews in a timely manner.

- *Remand Without Vacatur.* This proposed recommendation examines the judicial remedy of remand without vacatur on review of agency action and equitable factors that may justify its application. It also offers guidance for courts that remand agency actions and for agencies responding to judicial remedies.

- *Social Media in Rulemaking.* This proposed recommendation provides guidance to agencies on whether, how, and when social media might be used both lawfully and effectively to support rulemaking activities.

- *The GPRM Modernization Act of 2010: Examining Constraints to, and Providing Tools for, Cross-Agency Collaboration.* This proposed recommendation examines perceived and real constraints to cross-agency collaboration under the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRM) Modernization Act and highlights tools available to help agencies collaborate. It offers guidance to help increase transparency, improve information sharing, and facilitate better agency reporting under the Act. The recommendation is also aimed at enhancing the role of agency attorneys and other agency staff in facilitating cross-agency collaboration.

Additional information about the proposed recommendations and the order of the agenda, as well as other materials related to the meeting, can be found at the 59th Plenary Session page on the Conference's Web site: (<http://www.acus.gov/meetings-and-events/plenary-meeting/59th-plenary-session>).

Public Participation: The Conference welcomes the attendance of the public

at the meeting, subject to space limitations, and will make every effort to accommodate persons with disabilities or special needs. Members of the public who wish to attend in person are asked to RSVP online at the 59th Plenary Session Web page listed above, no later than two days before the meeting, in order to facilitate entry. Members of the public who attend the meeting may be permitted to speak only with the consent of the Chairman and the unanimous approval of the members of the Assembly. If you need special accommodations due to disability, please inform the Designated Federal Officer noted above at least 7 days in advance of the meeting. The public may also view the meeting through a live webcast, which will be available at: http://acus.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2. In addition, the public may follow the meeting on our Twitter feed @acusgov or hashtag #59thPlenary.

Written Comments: Persons who wish to comment on any of the proposed recommendations may do so by submitting a written statement either online by clicking "Submit a Comment" on the 59th Plenary Session Web page listed above or by mail addressed to: December 2013 Plenary Session Comments, Administrative Conference of the United States, Suite 706 South, 1120 20th Street NW., Washington, DC 20036. Written submissions must be received at least 7 days prior to the meeting to assure consideration by the Assembly.

Dated: November 15, 2013.

Shawne McGibbon,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2013-0052]

Notice of Decision To Authorize the Importation of Swiss Chard From Colombia Into the Continental United States

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: We are advising the public of our decision to authorize the importation into the continental United States of Swiss chard from Colombia. Based on the findings of a pest risk analysis, which we made available to the public for review and comment through a previous notice, we have determined that the application of one or more designated phytosanitary measures will be sufficient to mitigate the risks of introducing or disseminating plant pests or noxious weeds via the importation of Swiss chard from Colombia.

DATES: *Effective:* November 20, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Dorothy Wayson, Senior Regulatory Policy Specialist, Plant Health Programs, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 133, Riverdale, MD 20737-1231; (301) 851-2036.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under the regulations in “Subpart-Fruits and Vegetables” (7 CFR 319.56–1 through 319.56–61, referred to below as the regulations), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture prohibits or restricts the importation of fruits and vegetables into the United States from certain parts of the world to prevent plant pests from being introduced into and spread within the United States.

Section 319.56–4 of the regulations contains a performance-based process for approving the importation of commodities that, based on the findings of a pest risk analysis (PRA), can be safely imported subject to one or more of the designated phytosanitary measures listed in paragraph (b) of that section. Under that process, APHIS publishes a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing the availability of the PRA that evaluates the risks associated with the importation of a particular fruit or vegetable. Following the close of the 60-day comment period, APHIS may begin issuing permits for importation of the fruit or vegetable subject to the identified designated measures if: (1) No comments were received on the PRA; (2) the comments on the PRA revealed that no changes to the PRA were necessary; or (3) changes to the PRA were made in response to public comments, but the changes did not affect the overall conclusions of the analysis and the Administrator’s determination of risk.

In accordance with that process, we published a notice¹ in the **Federal Register** on July 8, 2013 (78 FR 40688–40689, Docket No. APHIS–2013–0052), in which we announced the availability, for review and comment, of a PRA that evaluated the risks associated with the importation into the continental United States of Swiss chard (*Beta vulgaris* ssp. *cicla* (L.) Koch) from Colombia. The PRA consisted of a risk assessment identifying pests of quarantine significance that could follow the pathway of importation of Swiss chard from Colombia into the continental United States and a risk management document identifying phytosanitary measures to be applied to that commodity to mitigate the pest risk. We solicited comments on the notice for 60 days ending on September 6, 2013. We did not receive any comments by that date.

Therefore, in accordance with the regulations in § 319.56–4(c)(2)(ii), we are announcing our decision to authorize the importation into the continental United States of Swiss chard from Colombia subject to the following phytosanitary measures:

- The Swiss chard must be imported in commercial consignments only;
- The Swiss chard is subject to inspection at the port of entry; and
- The Swiss chard must be accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate issued by the national plant protection organization of Colombia with the additional declaration stating that the consignment was inspected and found free of *Copitarsia incommoda* and *Liriomyza huidobrensis*.

These conditions will be listed in the Fruits and Vegetables Import Requirements database (available at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/favir>). In addition to these specific measures, Swiss chard from Colombia will be subject to the general requirements listed in § 319.56–3 that are applicable to the importation of all fruits and vegetables.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 450, 7701–7772, and 7781–7786; 21 U.S.C. 136 and 136a; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.3.

Done in Washington, DC, this 13th day of November 2013.

Michael C. Gregoire,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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¹ To view the notice and the PRA, go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2013-0052>.

COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

State Advisory Committees; Request for Applications

AGENCY: United States Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of period during which individuals may apply to be appointed to the Nevada Advisory Committee; request for applications.

SUMMARY: Because the terms of the members of the Hawaii Advisory Committee are expiring as of March 16, 2014, the United States Commission on Civil Rights hereby invites any individual who is eligible to be appointed to apply. The memberships covered by this notice are exclusively for the Nevada Advisory Committee, and applicants must be residents of Nevada to be considered. Letters of interest must be received by the Western Regional Office of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights no later than January 18, 2013. Letters of interest must be sent to the address listed below.

DATES: Letters of interest for membership on the Nevada Advisory Committee should be received no later than January 18, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Send letters of interest to: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, Western Regional Office, 300 North Los Angeles Street, Suite 2010, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Letter can also be sent via email to atrevino@usccr.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peter Minarik, Acting Regional Director, Western Regional Office, (213) 894–3437, pminarik@usccr.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Nevada Advisory Committees (SAC) is a statutorily mandated advisory committee of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1975a. Under the charter for the SAC, the purpose is to provide advice and recommendations to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) on a broad range of civil rights matters in its respective state that pertain to alleged deprivations of voting rights or discrimination or denials of equal protection of the laws because of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, or national origin, or the administration of justice. SACs also provide assistance to the Commission in its statutory obligation to serve as a national clearinghouse for civil rights information.

The SAC consists of not more than 19 members, each of whom will serve a two-year term. Members serve as unpaid Special Government Employees who are reimbursed for travel and expenses. To