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FEDERAL LABOR RELATIONS AUTHORITY

5 CFR Part 2424

Negotiability Proceedings, Reopening of Comment Period

AGENCY: Federal Labor Relations Authority.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) is reopening the comment period for its proposed rule concerning Negotiability Proceedings for an additional 14 days. The original comment period ended on January 22, 2020.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published December 23, 2019, at 84 FR 70439, is reopened. Written comments must be received on or before February 11, 2020.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, which must include the caption "Negotiability Proceedings," by one of the following methods:

- *Email:* FedRegComments@flra.gov. Include "Negotiability Proceedings" in the subject line of the message.
- *Mail or Hand Delivery:* Emily Sloop, Chief, Case Intake and Publication, Federal Labor Relations Authority, Docket Room, Suite 200, 1400 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20424-0001.

Instructions: If you previously submitted comments during the original comment period, you do not need to submit those same comments again. Further, please do not email comments if you mail or hand deliver the same comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rebecca Osborne, Deputy Solicitor, at rosborne@flra.gov or at: (202) 218-7986.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 23, 2019, the FLRA requested comments on a proposed rule, published at 84 FR 70439, to revise the regulations governing negotiability appeals in order to better expedite

proceedings. The original comment period for the proposed rule ended on January 22, 2020. Relatedly, in Case No. 0-PS-35, the FLRA issued a decision that referred to forthcoming revisions to the regulations governing negotiability appeals. To provide interested parties a further opportunity to comment about all of the issues addressed in the proposed rule, including the issues raised in Case No. 0-PS-35, the FLRA is reopening the comment period for an additional 14 days. Parties should refer to the proposed rule, at 84 FR 70439, for further details about the issues under consideration.

Approved: January 22, 2020.

Colleen Duffy Kiko,

Chairman, Federal Labor Relations Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

7 CFR Part 51

[Document Number AMS-SC-19-0036, SC-19-330]

Revision of Three U.S. Grade Standards for Carrots

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) of the Department of Agriculture (USDA) proposes to revise the U.S. Standards for Grades of Topped Carrots, U.S. Standards for Grades of Bunched Carrots, and U.S. Standards for Grades of Carrots with Short Trimmed Tops. AMS is proposing to add more U.S. No. 1 grades to accommodate carrots of colors other than orange, orange red, and orange scarlet. The current U.S. No. 1 grades would remain unchanged. In addition, AMS is proposing to remove the Unclassified section and renumber sections due to the additional grades.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 30, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments to the USDA, Specialty Crops Inspection Division, 100 Riverside Parkway, Suite 101, Fredericksburg, VA 22406; fax: (540) 361-1199; or at

www.regulations.gov. Comments should reference the dates and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. Comments will be posted without change, including any personal information provided. All comments received within the comment period will become part of the public record maintained by the Agency and will be made available to the public via www.regulations.gov. Comments will be made available for public inspection at the above address during regular business hours or can be viewed at: www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact David G. Horner at the address above, by phone (540) 361-1128; fax (540) 361-1199; or, email Dave.Horner@usda.gov. Copies of the proposed U.S. Standards for Grades of Topped Carrots, U.S. Standards for Grades of Bunched Carrots, and U.S. Standards for Grades of Carrots with Short Trimmed Tops are available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Copies of the current U.S. Standards for Grades of Topped Carrots, U.S. Standards for Grades of Bunched Carrots, and U.S. Standards for Grades of Carrots with Short Trimmed Tops are available on the Specialty Crops Inspection Division website at www.ams.usda.gov/grades-standards/vegetables.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 203(c) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621-1627) as amended, directs and authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture "to develop and improve standards of quality, condition, quantity, grade, and packaging, and recommend and demonstrate such standards in order to encourage uniformity and consistency in commercial practices."

AMS is committed to carrying out this authority in a manner that facilitates the marketing of agricultural commodities and makes copies of official standards available upon request. The U.S. Standards for Grades of Fruits and Vegetables that no longer appear in the Code of Federal Regulations are maintained by AMS at: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/grades-standards>. AMS is proposing revisions to these U.S. Standards for Grades using the procedures that appear in part 36 of Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations (7 CFR part 36).

Background

AMS continually reviews all fruit and vegetable grade standards to ensure their usefulness to the industry, modernize language, and remove duplicative terminology. On December 22, 2008, AMS published a notice in the **Federal Register** (73 FR 78286) regarding revising the three U.S. grade standards for carrots to accommodate colors other than orange, orange red, and orange scarlet. The notice proposed revising the color section to allow carrots of any color characteristic of the variety to be graded using the standards. Also, the similar varietal characteristic requirement would have been amended to allow mixed colors and/or types when designated as a mixed or specialty

pack. The industry as a whole opposed these revisions on the basis that non-orange carrots include heirloom carrots that may not have been bred for uniformity and may not have the same type of characteristics of orange carrots.

After gathering more feedback from the industry, AMS developed additional grades to accommodate other colors. For the Topped Carrots, two new grades are U.S. No. 1 Color and U.S. No. 1 Jumbo Color. For the Bunched and Short Trimmed Carrots, the new grade is U.S. No. 1 Color. The current grades remain unchanged. The new grades are identical to the current grades except for the color requirement (the following tables summarize the proposed revisions).

AMS spoke with several major U.S. carrot growers by telephone and emailed them a discussion paper on the proposed revisions. No one opposed the changes.

In addition, AMS is proposing to remove the Unclassified section. AMS is removing this section in all standards as they are revised, as it is no longer considered necessary. The category was never a grade and only served to show no grade was applied to the lot.

Finally, some sections would be renumbered due to the additional grades.

The following tables summarizes the proposed revisions and provides rationale for any changes.

Current	Proposed	Discussion
U.S. Topped Carrot Standards		
§ 51.2360 U.S. Extra No. 1	§ 51.2360 U.S. Extra No. 1	All remain unchanged.
§ 51.2361 U.S. No. 1	§ 51.2361 U.S. No. 1.	
§ 51.2362 U.S. No. 1 Jumbo	§ 51.2362 U.S. No. 1 Jumbo.	
	§ 51.2363 U.S. No. 1 Color and U.S. No. 1 Jumbo Color. "U.S. No. 1 Color" or "U.S. No. 1 Jumbo Color" consists of carrots which meet the requirements of the U.S. No. 1 or U.S. No. 1 Jumbo grades except for fairly well colored. All roots must show good characteristic color, which means the root has a uniform characteristic color for the variety over practically the entire surface. Roots may be comingled with varieties of different colors, provided roots are of the same type. (See § 51.2365.)	Additional grades, U.S. No. 1 Color and U.S. No. 1 Jumbo Color, are proposed to accommodate other colors. The U.S. No. 1 Color and U.S. No. 1 Jumbo Color grades are identical to the U.S. No. 1 and U.S. No. 1 Jumbo grades, except for the color requirement. The new grades will ensure all grades are premium quality, will provide greater flexibility, and will bring the standards in line with current marketing trends.
§ 51.2363 U.S. No. 2	§ 51.2364 U.S. No. 2	Remains the same except section number changes from 51.2363 to 51.2364. The U.S. No. 2 grade does not have any color requirements. In addition, carrots of other colors, such as maroon, tend to be specialty pack products and generally would not be sold as U.S. No. 2. Therefore, no U.S. No. 2 Color grade is proposed.
§ 51.2364 Unclassified	Removed	AMS is removing this section in all standards as they are revised, as it is no longer considered necessary. The category was never a grade and only served to show no grade was applied to the lot.
§ 51.2365 Tolerances	§ 51.2365 Tolerances	The proposed U.S. No. 1 Color and U.S. No. 1 Jumbo Color grades have the same tolerances as the other grades in this section, which all remain unchanged.
(2) U.S. No. 1 and U.S. No. 1 Jumbo grades. Ten percent for carrots in any lot which fail to meet the requirements of the grade: Provided, That not more than one-half of this amount, or 5 percent, shall be allowed for defects causing serious damage, including therein not more than 2 percent for carrots affected by soft rot	(2) U.S. No. 1, U.S. No. 1 Jumbo, U.S. No. 1 Color, and U.S. No. 1 Jumbo Color grades. Ten percent for carrots in any lot which fail to meet the requirements of the grade: Provided, That not more than one-half of this amount, or 5 percent, shall be allowed for defects causing serious damage, including therein not more than 2 percent for carrots affected by soft rot	
U.S. Bunched Carrot Standards		
§ 51.2455 U.S. No. 1	§ 51.2455 U.S. No. 1	Remains unchanged.

Current	Proposed	Discussion
	<p>§ 51.2456 U.S. No. 1 Color “U.S. No. 1 Color” consists of carrots which meet the requirements of U.S. No. 1 except for fairly well colored. All roots must show good characteristic color, which means the root has a uniform characteristic color for the variety over practically the entire surface. Roots may be comingled with varieties of different colors, provided roots are of the same type</p>	<p>An additional grade, U.S. No. 1 Color, is proposed to accommodate other colors. The U.S. No. 1 Color is identical to the U.S. No. 1 grade, except for the color requirement. The new grade will ensure all grades are premium quality, will provide greater flexibility, and will bring the standards in line with current marketing trends.</p>
<p>§ 51.2456 U.S. Commercial</p>	<p>§ 51.2457 U.S. Commercial</p>	<p>Remains the same except section number changes from 51.2456 to 51.2457. Carrots of other colors, such as maroon, tend to be specialty pack products and generally would not be sold as U.S. Commercial, so no U.S. Commercial Color grade is proposed.</p>
<p>§ 51.2457 Unclassified “Unclassified” consists of carrots which have not been classified in accordance with either of the foregoing grades. The term “unclassified” is not a grade within the meaning of these standards, but is provided as a designation to show that no grade has been applied to the lot</p>	<p>Removed</p>	<p>AMS is removing this section in all standards as they are revised, as it is no longer considered necessary. The category was never a grade and only served to show no grade was applied to the lot.</p>
U.S. Short Trimmed Carrot Standards		
<p>§ 51.2485 U.S. No. 1</p>	<p>§ 51.2485 U.S. No. 1 § 51.2486 U.S. No. 1 Color “U.S. No. 1 Color” consists of carrots which meet the requirements of U.S. No. 1 except for fairly well colored. All roots must show good characteristic color, which means the root has a uniform characteristic color for the variety over practically the entire surface. Roots may be comingled with varieties of different colors, provided roots are of the same type</p>	<p>Remains unchanged. An additional grade, U.S. No. 1 Color, is proposed to accommodate other colors. The U.S. No. 1 Color is identical to the U.S. No. 1 grade, except for the color requirement. The new grade will ensure all grades are premium quality, will provide greater flexibility, and will bring the standards in line with current marketing trends.</p>
<p>§ 51.2486 U.S. Commercial</p>	<p>§ 51.2487 U.S. Commercial</p>	<p>Remains the same except section number changes from 51.2486 to 51.2487. Carrots of other colors, such as maroon, tend to be specialty pack products and generally would not be sold as U.S. Commercial, so no U.S. Commercial Color grade is proposed.</p>
<p>§ 51.2487 Unclassified “Unclassified” consists of carrots which have not been classified in accordance with either of the foregoing grades. The term “unclassified” is not a grade within the meaning of these standards, but is provided as a designation to show that no grade has been applied to the lot</p>	<p>Removed</p>	<p>AMS is removing this section in all standards as they are revised, as it is no longer considered necessary. The category was never a grade and only served to show no grade was applied to the lot.</p>

As stated, the proposed revisions will ensure all grades are premium quality, provide greater flexibility, and bring the standards in line with current marketing trends.

A 60-day comment period is provided for interested persons to submit

comments on the proposed revised grade standards. Copies of the proposed revised standards are available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. After the 60-day comment period, AMS will move forward in accordance with 7 CFR 36.3(a)(1–3).

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1621–1627.

Dated: January 23, 2020.

Bruce Summers,
Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Aviation Administration****14 CFR Part 39**

[Docket No. FAA-2019-1008; Product Identifier AD-2019-00110-P]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Hamilton Sundstrand Corporation Propellers

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Hamilton Sundstrand Corporation (Hamilton Sundstrand) 54H60 model propellers. This proposed AD was prompted by the failure of a propeller blade that resulted in the loss of the airplane. This proposed AD would require initial and repetitive eddy current inspections (ECI) of the affected propeller blades and replacement of the propeller blades that fail the inspection. The FAA is proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

DATES: The FAA must receive comments on this proposed AD by March 13, 2020.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, using the procedures found in 14 CFR 11.43 and 11.45, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.

- *Mail:* U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

- *Hand Delivery:* Deliver to Mail address above between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For service information identified in this NPRM, contact Hamilton Sundstrand, 1 Hamilton Road, Windsor Locks, CT 06096-1010, United States; phone: 877-808-7575; email: CRC@collins.com. You may view this service information at the FAA, Engine and Propeller Standards Branch, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 781-238-7759.

Examining the AD Docket

You may examine the AD docket on the internet at <https://www.regulations.gov> by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA-2019-1008; or in person at Docket Operations between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this NPRM, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The street address for Docket Operations is listed above. Comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Maureen Maisttison, Aerospace Engineer, Boston ACO Branch, FAA, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803; phone: 781-238-7076; fax: 781-238-7199; email: maureen.maisttison@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Comments Invited**

The FAA invites you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposal. Send your comments to an address listed under the **ADDRESSES** section. Include “Docket No. FAA-2019-1008; Product Identifier AD-2019-00110-P” at the beginning of your comments. The FAA specifically invites comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of this NPRM. The FAA will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this NPRM because of those comments.

Except for Confidential Business Information as described in the following paragraph, and other information as described in 14 CFR 11.35, the FAA will post all comments received, without change, to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information you provide. The FAA will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact received about this NPRM.

Confidential Business Information

Confidential Business Information (CBI) is commercial or financial information that is both customarily and actually treated as private by its owner. Under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552), CBI is exempt from public disclosure. If your comments responsive to this NPRM contain commercial or financial

information that is customarily treated as private, that you actually treat as private, and that is relevant or responsive to this NPRM, it is important that you clearly designate the submitted comments as CBI. Please mark each page of your submission containing CBI as “PROPIN.” The FAA will treat such marked submissions as confidential under the FOIA, and they will not be placed in the public docket of this NPRM. Submissions containing CBI should be sent to Maureen Maisttison, Aerospace Engineer, Boston ACO Branch, FAA, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803. Any commentary that the FAA receives which is not specifically designated as CBI will be placed in the public docket for this rulemaking.

Discussion

The FAA received a report of the separation of a 54H60 model propeller blade installed on a United States Marine Corps Reserve KC-130T airplane during a flight in July 2017. The separation of the blade resulted in the loss of the airplane and 17 fatalities. The investigation of this event revealed the Hamilton Sundstrand 54H60 model propeller blade separated due to corrosion that was not corrected at the last propeller overhaul. The investigation further revealed that 54H60 model propeller blades manufactured before 1971 are susceptible to this unsafe condition. The applicability of this AD is therefore limited to those Hamilton Sundstrand 54H60 model propellers blades with a blade serial number below 813320, which are those propeller blades manufactured before 1971. This condition, if not addressed, could result in failure of the propeller blade, blade separation, and loss of the airplane.

Related Service Information Under 1 CFR Part 51

The FAA reviewed Hamilton Sundstrand Corporation Alert Service Bulletin (ASB) 54H60-61-A154, dated August 26, 2019. The ASB describes procedures for performing an ECI of the propeller blade taper bore. This service information is reasonably available because the interested parties have access to it through their normal course of business or by the means identified in the **ADDRESSES** section.