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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS-2011-0019]

National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is announcing, pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, that the National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection (NACMPI) will hold a public meeting on September 22 and 23, 2011, to review and discuss pre-harvest and validation.

All issues will be presented to the full Committee. The Committee will then divide into two subcommittees to discuss the issues. Each subcommittee will provide a report of their comments and recommendations to the full Committee before the meeting concludes on September 23, 2011.

DATES: The Committee will hold a public meeting on Thursday, September 22, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday, September 23, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The subcommittees will hold open meetings during their deliberations and report preparation.

ADDRESSES: The meeting site will be posted on the FSIS Web site as soon as the information is available at: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov> under News & Events.

The meeting agenda is available on the Internet at the NACMPI Web site, http://www.fsis.usda.gov/about_fsis/nacmpi/index.asp.

FSIS welcomes comments through November 1, 2011, on the topics discussed at the NACMPI public meeting. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic mail:
NACMPI@fsis.usda.gov.

Mail, including floppy disks or CD-ROMs: Send to National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection, USDA, FSIS, 14th & Independence Avenue, SW., Room 1180, South Building, Washington, DC 20250.

Hand- or courier-delivered items: Deliver to Sally Fernandez at 14th & Independence Avenue, SW., Room 1180-S, Washington, DC. To deliver these items, the building security guard must first call (202) 720-9113.

Facsimile: Send to Sally Fernandez, (202) 690-6519. All submissions received must include the Agency name and docket number FSIS-2011-0019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Keith Payne for technical information at (202) 690-6522, or e-mail

keith.payne@fsis.usda.gov, and Sally Fernandez for meeting information at (202) 690-6524, Fax (202) 690-6519, or e-mail sally.fernandez@fsis.usda.gov. Persons requiring a sign language interpreter or other special accommodations should notify Sally Fernandez at the numbers above or by e-mail.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The NACMPI provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Agriculture pertaining to the Federal and State meat and poultry inspection programs, pursuant to sections 7(c), 24, 205, 301(a)(3), 301(a)(4), and 301(c) of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 607(c), 624, 645, 661(a)(3), 661(a)(4), and 661(c)) and sections 5(a)(3), 5(a)(4), 5(c), 8(b), and 11(e) of the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 454(a)(3), 454(a)(4), 454(c), 457(b), and 460(e)).

The Administrator of FSIS is the chairperson of the Committee. Membership of the Committee is drawn from representatives of consumer groups; producers, processors, and marketers from the meat, poultry and egg product industries; State and local government officials; and academia. The current members of the NACMPI are: Patricia K. Buck, Center for Foodborne Illness Research and Prevention; Dr. Fur-Chi Chen, Tennessee State University; Brian R. Covington, Keystone Foods LLC; Dr. Catherine N. Cutter, Pennsylvania State University; Nancy J. Donley, STOP Foodborne Illness; Veneranda Gapud, Fieldale

Farms Corporation; Dr. Craig Henry, Deloitte & Touche LLP; Dr. Cheryl D. Jones, Morehouse School of Medicine; Dr. Heidi Kassenborg, Minnesota Department of Agriculture; Sarah A. Klein, Center for Science in the Public Interest; Dr. Shelton E. Murinda, California State Polytechnic University; Dr. Edna Negrón, University of Puerto Rico; Robert G. Reinhard, Sara Lee Corporation; Dr. Craig E. Shultz, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture; Stanley A. Stromberg, Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry; Dr. John D. Tilden, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development; Carol L. Tucker-Foreman, Consumer Federation of America; Steve E. Warshawer, Mesa Top Farm; Dr. J. Byron Williams, Mississippi State University; and Leonard W. Winchester, Public Health—Seattle & King County.

The Committee will discuss pre-harvest and validation:

- As was initially discussed at the 2010 NACMPI meeting, exploring and implementing pre-harvest hazard controls is of continuing interest to FSIS. The Agency tracks illnesses caused by the three pathogens, *Salmonella*, *Listeria monocytogenes* (*Lm*), and *E. coli* O157:H7, as part of its corporate "All-Illness" performance measure. Significant progress has been made towards reducing illnesses caused by *Lm* and *E. coli* O157:H7. The same cannot be said about *Salmonella*. *Salmonella* spp., especially multi-drug resistant strains, are being increasingly identified as the cause of human illness from the consumption of ground poultry and beef products. Since 2009, over 37 million pounds of raw ground beef and ground turkey products have been recalled over five separate recalls because they were implicated in salmonellosis outbreaks. FSIS' goal is to reduce and eliminate pathogens before products reach consumers. This meeting will expand on the pre-harvest discussions begun at the 2010 NACMPI meeting and more thoroughly explore options of preventing hazards from entering establishments on source animals or products.

- FSIS intends to make available updated guidelines concerning validation for the meat and poultry industry. At this meeting, FSIS will make available for comment by the Committee a draft of the updated

guidance. FSIS seeks comment on whether validation, when properly implemented, effectively helps prevent or control relevant hazards.

All interested parties are welcome to attend the meeting and to submit written comments and suggestions concerning issues the Committee will review and discuss.

The comments and the official transcript of the meeting, when they become available, will be kept in the FSIS Docket Room, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Patriots Plaza 3, Mailstop 3782, Room 163A, Washington, DC 20250-3700, and posted on the Agency's NACMPI Web site, http://www.fsis.usda.gov/about_fsis/nacmpi/index.asp.

Members of the public will be required to register before entering the meetings. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the meeting site and the meetings will begin at 9 a.m.

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communicated via Listserv, a free electronic mail subscription service for industry, trade groups, consumer interest groups, health professionals, and other individuals who have asked to be included. The Update is also available on the FSIS Web page. Through the Listserv and Web page, FSIS is able to provide information to a much broader and more diverse audience. In addition, FSIS offers an electronic mail subscription service, which provides automatic and customized access to selected food safety news and information. This service is available at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/News_&_Events/Email_Subscription/. Options range from recalls to export information to regulations, directives and notices. Customers can add or delete subscriptions themselves, and have the option to password protect their accounts.

Done at Washington, DC, on: September 6, 2011.

Alfred V. Almanza,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Notice of Funding Availability: Inviting Applications for the Food for Progress Program; Correction

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) published a notice in the **Federal Register** on July 28, 2011, inviting proposals for the Food for Progress (FFPr) program. The notice stated that eligible applicants could submit proposals through October 26, 2011. This date was incorrect and, by this notice, FAS is correcting the due date to September 30, 2011. Also, this notice serves to inform all applicants of the eligibility requirements, makes minor changes to the application and review process, and provides updates to web links for helpful documents.

DATES: Effective: September 9, 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Food Assistance Division, Office of Capacity Building and Development, Foreign Agricultural Service, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Stop 1034, Washington, DC 20250; or by phone: (202) 720-4221; or by fax: (202) 690-0251; or by e-mail at: ppded@fas.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Correction

In the **Federal Register** of July 28, 2011, in FR Doc. 2011-19141, on page 45221, in the first column, correct the **DATES** section to read:

DATES: All applications must be received by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on September 30, 2011. Applications received after this date will not be considered. More information can be found at <http://www.fas.usda.gov/food-aid.asp>.

I. Funding Opportunity Description

In the **Federal Register** of July 28, 2011, in FR Doc. 2011-19141, on page 45222 in the first column, correct the Web site in "D. Priorities" section to read:

D. Priorities

<http://w2.fas.usda.gov/excredits/FoodAid/2012Solicitation/FFPrPriorities.pdf>

In the **Federal Register** of July 28, 2011, in FR Doc. 2011-19141, on page 45222, in the first column, correct the "III. Eligibility Information" section to read:

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Compliance With 2 CFR 25.200

For eligibility requirements, see the Food for Progress regulations (7 CFR 1499.3) and regulations for compliance to 2 CFR 25.200 and 25.110. All applicants submitting applications for the Food for Progress Program under this notice must comply with 2 CFR 25.200 which requires that all entities that apply for the program and do not have an exemption under 2 CFR 25.110 to:

- (1) Be registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) prior to submitting an application or;
- (2) Maintain an active CCR registration with current information at all times during which it has an active Federal award or an application or plan under consideration by an agency; and
- (3) Provide its Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number in each application or plan it submits to the agency.

Compliance With 2 CFR 25.110

Any applicant seeking an exemption to 2 CFR 25.200 may request one in accordance with 2 CFR 25.110(2) by sending a written request to: Director, Food Assistance Division, FAS, USDA, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Stop 1034, Washington, DC 20250; or by e-mail at: ppded@fas.usda.gov.