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Department of
Agriculture

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BCD-114
EOD-172
WLED-11

Farm and Foreign
Agricultural Services

NOTICE TO THE TRADE

Farm Service
Agency

TO: All Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: Grain Transportation and Storage Incentives-update to BCD-113,
EOD-171 and WLED-10

Background

On September 23, 2005, the Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued notice BCD-113, EOD-171, and WLED-10 announcing additional steps to further reduce stress on the grain transportation system caused by Hurricane Katrina. These industry-focused actions include assisting with the movement of barges of damaged corn from New Orleans; providing incentives for alternative storage of grain; and encouraging alternative shipping patterns to relieve pressure.

Purpose

The purpose of this notice is to provide additional information regarding a changed proposal submission deadline.

Proposal Submission

The previous proposal period deadline of September 28, 2005, will be extended for interested parties submitting bids for barge movements of damaged corn from New Orleans, alternative grain storage and the transportation differential. A Federal Register Notice covering these actions will be published in the near future. It will establish a new submission deadline when published. Bidders will have the opportunity to rescind, revise, or resubmit their bids prior to the new deadline.

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Director