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## NOTICE TO THE TRADE

USDA/FSA Export Food Aid Conference, Overland Park, Kansas  
October 26-27, 1999

FSA invites you to attend the Export Food Aid Conference to be held October 26-27, 1999, in Kansas City. This conference will showcase sessions for specific topics including Procurement Planning, Monetization, Inspections, Transportation, and Claims. Many other topics of interest to the PVO community and the trade will also be addressed. The cost of this two-day conference will be \$50.00, which includes conference materials, reception on Tuesday, October 26, and lunch on Wednesday, October 27.

### *LOCATION/RESERVATIONS*

The conference will be held at the Overland Park Marriott - 10800 Metcalf, Overland Park, Kansas 66210. Please call the hotel directly at 913-451-8000 or 1-800-228-9290 to make your room reservations. All reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. The room rate for private industry is \$134.00, plus tax, currently 13 %, for single or double. To ensure the quoted rates, please identify yourself as attending the USDA Farm Service Agency Export Food Aid Conference. **Cut-off date for making room reservations is September 28, 1999.** Please make the hotel aware of any special needs when registering.

### *GROUND TRANSPORTATION/DIRECTIONS*

The KCI Shuttle is available to and from the airport and hotel. The cost is \$15.00 one-way and \$27.00 round-trip. Upon arrival at the KCI Airport, locate the red shuttle booth near the baggage claim area or pick up the white airport courtesy phone and dial "5000." Reservations are required in advance for your return trip and may be made by calling 816-243-5000. Shuttle schedules are available at the hotel. Taxi service is also available at the airport.

Directions from the airport - Take I-29 North from the airport to I-435 South. This highway circles the city and will turn into I-435 East. Exit U.S. Highway 169 (Metcalf. Avenue/Exit #79). Turn right (South). The hotel is located on the right. Travel time is approximately 35-40 minutes.

### *CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM*

The attached registration form should be completed and mailed with your check made out to EFAC, to Nancy Heintzelman, Export Operations Division, P.O. Box 419205, Kansas City, Missouri 64141, by October 4, 1999. Payments must be made by check.

We invite you to submit questions and comments in advance. If you have additional questions, or have any special needs while attending the conference, please call Nancy Heintzelman, 816-926-3036.

Alan King, Director