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NOTICE TO THE TRADE

Farm Service
Agency

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SUBJECT: Revised Appendix 2 for Purchase of Commodities in 25 and 50 Kilogram Bags for Use in Export Programs

Effective March 1, 2005, suppliers of all packaged commodities utilized under foreign food assistance programs administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and U.S. Agency for International Development are responsible for ensuring and certifying that all packaging and markings meet the requirements for 25kg paper and 50kg woven polypropylene bags in the new Appendix 2.

Appendix 2 can be viewed at the following web site:

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Announcement/Export>

Any commodity supplier that has existing inventory must notify the applicable Marketing Specialist in the Kansas City Commodity Office to request a waiver for utilizing the remaining stocks. Waivers will be granted on a case-by-case basis.

Commodity and bag suppliers are responsible for reviewing the appropriate appendix to ensure compliance with the new requirements. Any questions should be directed to the Export Operations Division at 816-926-6707.

/s/
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Director