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## NOTICE TO THE TRADE

## **Legislation for the HUBZone Program**

The Kansas City Commodity Office will apply the HUBZone Price Evaluation Preference (PEP) as stated in the reauthorized Omnibus Appropriations Bill, H.R. 4818 SEC 153, effective December 8, 2004. The Bill states, in part:

The price evaluation preference for purchases of agricultural commodities by the Secretary of Agriculture for export operations through international food aid programs administered by the Farm Service Agency shall be 5 percent on the first portion of a contract to be awarded that is not greater than 20 percent of the total volume of each commodity being procured in a single invitation.

Questions concerning this Notice should be directed to Nelson Randall, Export Operations Division, at 816-926-6658.

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