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## **NOTICE TO THE TRADE**

**SUBJECT: Approval of New Packaging for Use in Commodity Procurements**

Guidelines have been posted to advise packaging manufacturers and commodity suppliers how to request approval of new packaging or containers intended for use under international food assistance programs administered by the Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the U.S. Agency for International Development as well as USDA's domestic food distribution and Milk Price Support programs.

The guidelines are now available on the USDA's Farm Service Agency website at:  
<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/daco/procurement/ApprovalForNewPackaging.pdf>

Contact Commodity Procurement Policy and Analysis Division at 202-720-5074 with any questions.

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