

## USDA Seeks Members for Grain Inspection Advisory Committee

WASHINGTON (October 8, 2001)-- The USDA Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration seeks nominations for individuals to serve on the Grain Inspection Advisory Committee. Nominations are being sought for 5 members and 5 alternates, all of whom will begin serving their 3-year terms in March 2002.

The Committee is comprised of 15 members, appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture, who represent all facets of the grain industry. The Committee meets twice annually to advise GIPSA on the establishment of programs and services under the U.S. Grain Standards Act. Such advice is especially important as GIPSA adjusts its programs to meet the needs of today's global, consumer-driven food system. Members of the Committee serve without compensation; they are reimbursed for travel expenses.

Nominations are open to all individuals without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, mental or physical handicap, marital status, or sexual orientation.

Persons interested in serving on the Advisory Committee, or in nominating individuals to serve, should contact GIPSA, by telephone (202-720-0219), fax (202-205-9237), or e-mail ([mplaus@gipsadc.usda.gov](mailto:mplaus@gipsadc.usda.gov)) and request Nomination Form AD-755. Nomination forms also are available from GIPSA's web site at: <http://www.usda.gov/gipsa/advcommittee/ad755.pdf>. Completed nomination forms must be submitted to GIPSA by fax or in hard copy to: GIPSA, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Stop 3601, Washington, DC 20250-3601. Form AD-755 must be received not later than November 30, 2001.

A [notice to solicit nominees](#) was published in the October 1, 2001, *Federal Register*.

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