

GIPSA Announces Quality Management Training

WASHINGTON, August 9, 2004 - USDA's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, in collaboration with USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service, will offer a training session called "Creating and Documenting a Quality Management System." Any interested party who is currently operating a grain, feed, seed, or associated agribusiness and using a quality management system, or who is developing a quality management system for review by USDA may participate in the training.

The training will cover ISO 9001:2000 and ISO Guide 65 quality systems, USDA's Process Verified Programs, and the Quality System Assessment Program.

The 2-day training session will be held on Tuesday, August 31, 2004 and Wednesday, September 1, 2004 at the GIPSA Technical Center, located near the Kansas City, Missouri, airport. Space is limited and participation is on a first-come, first-served basis. Additional training sessions may be scheduled in other locations if warranted by demand.

To participate in the training session, contact Beth Hayden at telephone 202-205-4007, or via email to Beth.E.Hayden@usda.gov.

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