

GIPSA Official Designation Activities

WASHINGTON, D.C. (June 1 , 2005) - USDA's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) today announced the following designations to officially inspect and weigh grain in specified areas of Alabama, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Montana, Washington, and Wisconsin.

- GIPSA is seeking applicants to provide official services in Alabama; Essex, Illinois; Springfield, Illinois; and Washington State areas. Applications for the areas and comments about the current service providers are due by July 1, 2005.
- GIPSA is requesting comments on the applicants for service in the Wisconsin area. The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection applied for their currently assigned area. Eastern Iowa Grain Inspection and Weighing Service, Inc., a designated official agency with headquarters in Davenport, Iowa, also applied for designation in the area currently assigned to the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. Comments are due by July 1, 2004.
- The Georgia Department of Agriculture (Georgia); Mid-Iowa Grain Inspection, Inc. (Mid-Iowa); and the Montana Department of Agriculture (Montana) are designated to inspect grain effective July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2008. Schneider Inspection Service, Inc. (Schneider) is designated effective July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006. For official grain inspection services, contact Georgia at 229-363-3130, Mid-Iowa at 319-363-0239, Montana at 406-444-2402, and Schneider at 219 -992-2306.

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