

GIPSA Official Designation Activities

WASHINGTON, D.C. (December 1, 2005) - USDA's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) announces the following actions on designations to officially inspect and weigh grain in specified areas in Alabama, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Washington, and Wyoming.

- GIPSA is seeking applicants to provide official services in the Topeka, Kan.; Minot, N.D.; Lake Village, Ind.; and Cincinnati, Ohio areas. GIPSA is asking for applications for the areas, and comments about the current service providers by January 1, 2006.
- Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries (Alabama); Kankakee Grain Inspection, Inc. (Kankakee); Springfield Grain Inspection, Inc. (Springfield); and Washington Department of Agriculture (Washington) are designated to inspect grain effective January 1, 2006, through December 31, 2008. For official grain inspection services, contact Alabama at 251-438-2549, Kankakee at 815-365-2268, Springfield at 217-522-5233, and Washington at 360-902-1921.
- Columbus Grain Inspection, Inc. (Columbus) is designated to provide Class X or Class Y weighing services under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended. This action is effective October 1, 2005 through December 31, 2007, coinciding with their current designation. For official services, contact Columbus at 740-474-3519.

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