

JOHANNIS NAMES GRAIN INSPECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES

WASHINGTON, April 28, 2006 -- Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns today announced the appointment of six members and five alternate members to serve on the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection Advisory Committee. The appointees will serve 3-year terms.

"I am pleased that these individuals have agreed to serve on the Grain Inspection Advisory Committee," said Johanns. "They bring a great deal of knowledge and experience to this board."

The new members are: William Crockett, superintendent, Mound Bayou Public Schools, Mound Bayou, Miss.; Mark S. Fulmer, agency manager-president, Lincoln Inspection Service, Lincoln, Neb.; Kenneth L. Dalenberg, production agriculture farmer, Mansfield, Ill.; John R. Hewitt, associate counsel, California Farm Bureau Federation., Sacramento, Calif.; Curtis Engel, senior group manager, The Scoular Company; Salina, Kan.; and Timothy D. Paurus, assistant vice president-terminal operations, CHS, Inc.; Inner Grove Heights, Minn.

The new alternate members are: Joseph R. Allen, president, Allen Group International, Bullwin, Mo; Chester Boruff, chief executive officer, Association of Official Seed Certifying Agencies; Moline, Ill.; Robert C. Smigelski, Agricultural Group Operations, Waterville, Ohio; Lyle V. Riddle, farmer, Wapella, Ill.; and Brent A. Turner, manager of export grain, ADM Grain Co., Division of Archer Daniels Midland Company; Galveston, Texas.

The Grain Inspection Advisory Committee is comprised of 15 members and 15 alternate members appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture who represent all facets of the grain industry. The Committee meets twice annually to advise USDA on the establishment of programs and services under the U.S. Grain Standards Act.

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