

## **USDA Grain Inspection Advisory Committee to Meet**

Washington, DC, November 28, 2006 - The USDA, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration's Grain Inspection Advisory Committee will meet December 12-13, 2006, in Washington, DC.

The Committee meeting will take place from 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., December 12, 2006, and 7:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., December 13, 2006, at the Marriott at Metro Center, 775 12th Street NW, Washington, DC.

Requests to address the Committee at the meeting or written comments may be sent to: Administrator, GIPSA, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., STOP 3601, Washington, DC 20250-3601. Requests and comments may also be faxed to (202) 690-2755.

The purpose of the Advisory Committee is to provide advice to the Administrator of the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration with respect to the implementation of the U.S. Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 71 et seq.). Relevant information about the Advisory Committee is available on the GIPSA Web site. Go to <http://archive.gipsa.usda.gov> and click on "Learn About the Advisory Committee" in the "I Want To" section.

The agenda will include updates on the agency's finances, succession planning, use of third-party contracting, central monitoring, international activities, impact of ethanol industry on agency operations, and Liberty Link rice.

For a copy of the agenda, please contact Terri Henry at telephone (202) 205-8281 or by e-mail to [Terri.L.Henry@usda.gov](mailto:Terri.L.Henry@usda.gov).

Public participation will be limited to written statements, unless permission is received from the Committee Chair to orally address the Committee. The meeting will be open to the public.

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