

USDA Grain Inspection Advisory Committee to Meet

Washington, DC, May 17, 2007-- The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration's Grain Inspection Advisory Committee will meet June 12-13, 2007, in Kansas City, Missouri.

The Committee meeting will take place from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., June 12, 2007, and 8 a.m.-1 p.m., June 13, 2007, at the Hampton Inn and Suites, Country Club Plaza, 4600 Summit, Kansas City, Missouri 64112.

The Advisory Committee provides advice to the Administrator of the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) with respect to the implementation of the U.S. Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 71 et seq.). For more information about the Advisory Committee go to the [GIPSA Web site](http://www.gipsa.usda.gov): www.gipsa.usda.gov and click on "Learn About the Advisory Committee" in the "I Want To" section.

The agenda will include discussions about the agency's financial status, oversight and quality management for the official inspection system, service delivery and operations, the pilot study to contract for export service provision and supplemental labor, international market facilitation initiatives, GIPSA's role in the ethanol market, and the relevance of the official standards for soybeans and other products.

The public may submit comments through written statements or ask to address the Committee during the meeting by writing 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) 690-2173.

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