

GIPSA Official Designation Activities

Washington, DC (January 4, 2011)- The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) announces the following actions on designations to officially inspect and weigh grain in the specified areas of the State of Georgia; the State of Montana; Columbus, Ohio; Dallas, Texas; Decatur, Indiana; Minot, North Dakota; and Lewiston, Idaho.

GIPSA is asking for applications to provide official services in the areas of the State of Georgia and the State of Montana. Additionally, GIPSA is requesting comments on the official agencies presently serving these areas. Please submit applications and/or comments to GIPSA by February 3, 2011.

GIPSA has designated Columbus Grain Inspection, Inc. (Columbus); Gulf Country Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (Gulf Country); and Northeast Indiana Grain Inspection, Inc. (Northeast Indiana) effective January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011 (Gulf Country) and December 31, 2013 (Columbus and Northeast Indiana). For official grain inspection services, contact Columbus at 740-474-3519, Gulf Country at 214-500-5212, and Northeast Indiana at 260-341-7497.

GIPSA is announcing the designation of Minot Grain Inspection, Inc. to provide official Class X weighing services under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended, effective January 4, 2011.

GIPSA is announcing that Lewiston Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (Lewiston) will cease providing official inspection services and voluntarily terminating their designation effective December 31, 2010. GIPSA is also asking persons or governmental agencies interested in providing official services in the area presently served by Lewiston to submit an application for designation. Please submit applications to GIPSA by February 3, 2011.

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