

Secretary Vilsack Names Grain Inspection Advisory Committee Members and Alternates

WASHINGTON, June 28, 2011- Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced today the appointment of 9 members and 11 alternate members to serve on the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection Advisory Committee. The appointees will serve three-year terms.

The new members are: **David Cantu**, owner/manager, A. Cantue Farms, San Juan, Texas; **Rennie Davis**, president/CEO, Davis Seed Farms, Inc., Vandalia, Mo.; **Rigoberto Delgado**, senior partner, Delgado Farms Lcc, El Paso, Texas; **Edgar Hicks**, director, Nebraska State Grange, Omaha, Neb.; **Jayce William Hoyt**, managing partner, Go Grain LLC, Bozeman, Mont.; **Paul Lautenschlager**, manager, Beach Coop Grain Co., Beach, N.D.; **Nannette Phegley**, operations leader, Cargill/Farm Service Group, Hennepin, Ill.; **Omar Garza**, special project coordinator, Edinburg, Texas, and **Sara Ann Sexton-Bowser**, director of membership services, Kansas Grain and Feed Association, Topeka, Kan.

The new alternate members are: **James M. Stewart**, manager drying and storage, Lundberg Family Farms, Richvale, Calif.; **Chris W. Breedlove**, manager/CEO, Raymondville, Texas; **Patricia Dumoulin**, farmer/owner, Hampshire, Ill.; **Daryl P. Stevens**, general manager, Dakota Quality Grain Cooperative, Parshall, N.D.; **Arvid Hawk**, president, Global Agricultural Consulting, LCC, Eden Prairie, Minn.; **Jerald S. Kemmerer**, CEO-GM, Dodge City Cooperative Exchange, Dodge City, Kan.; **Frank Mestas**, owner/manager, Rancho Rio Grande, Alamosa, Col.; **Timothy Dwight Paurus**, vice president terminal operations, CHS Inc., Inver Grove Heights, Minn.; **Todd Russom**, manager/quality raw materials, Anheuser-Busch InBev, St. Louis, Mo.; **Kevin M. Coggins**, president/ceo, Harvest Applied Technologies, Inc., and **Francisco Vigil**, founder/board member, Northern New Mexico Stockmans Association, Jarales, N.M.

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.

The Packers and Stockyards Act is a fair trade practice and payment protection law that promotes fair and competitive marketing environments for the livestock, meat, and poultry industries.

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