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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Designation Amendment for Michigan to Provide Official Services
in the Lima (OH) Area

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration
(GIPSA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The designation of Michigan Grain Inspection Services, Inc.,
(Michigan), has been amended to include part of Ohio.

DATES: Effective on August 1, 1998.

ADDRESSES: USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance
Division, STOP 3604, 1400 Independence Ave. S.W., Washington, DC 20250-
3604.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet M. Hart, telephone 202-720-8525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action has been reviewed and determined
not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and
Departmental Regulation 1512-1; therefore, the Executive Order and
Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

In the April 1, 1998, Federal Register (63 FR 15827), GIPSA
announced the designation of Michigan to provide official inspection
services under the Act, effective May 1, 1998, and ending April 30,
2001. Subsequently, Michigan asked GIPSA to amend their geographic area
to include part of Ohio, due to the purchase of the formerly designated
corporation, Lima Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (Lima). Section
7A(c)(2) of the Act authorizes GIPSA's Administrator to designate an
agency to perform official services within a specified geographic area,
if such agency is qualified under Section 7(f)(1)(A) of the Act. GIPSA
evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria
in Section 7(f)(1)(A) of the Act, and determined that Michigan is
qualified. GIPSA is announcing the change in Michigan's assigned
geographic area, and that Michigan is the officially designated service
provider in the area of Ohio formerly assigned to Lima. The Michigan
geographic area, in the States of Michigan and Ohio is:

Bounded on the North by the northern Michigan State line;

Bounded on the East by the eastern Michigan State line south and
east to State Route 53; State Route 53 south to State Route 46; State
Route 46 west to Sheridan Road; Sheridan Road south to Barnes Road;
Barnes Road west to State Route 15; State Route 15 south to the Genesee
County line; the northern Genesee County line west to the Shiawassee
County line; the northern Shiawassee County line west to State Route
52; State Route 52 south to State Route 21; State Route 21 west to
Clinton County; the eastern and northern Clinton County lines west to
U.S. Route 27; U.S. Route 27 south to U.S. Route 127; U.S. Route 127
south to the Michigan-Ohio State line. In Ohio, the northern State line
west to the Williams County line; the eastern Williams County line
south to the Defiance County line; the northern and eastern Defiance
County lines south to U.S. Route 24; U.S. Route 24 northeast to State
Route 108; State Route 108 south to Putnam County; the northern and
eastern Putnam County lines; the eastern Allen County line; the

northern Hardin County line east to U.S. Route 68; U.S. Route 68 south to U.S. Route 47;

Bounded on the South by U.S. Route 47 west-southwest to Interstate 75 (excluding all of Sidney, Ohio); Interstate 75 south to the Shelby County line; the southern and western Shelby County lines; the southern Mercer County line; and

Bounded on the West by the Ohio-Indiana State line from the southern Mercer County line to the northern Williams County line; in Michigan, by the southern Michigan State line west to the Branch County line; the western Branch County line north to the Kalamazoo County line; the southern Kalamazoo and Van Buren County lines west to the Michigan State line; the western Michigan State line north to the northern Michigan State line.

Michigan's assigned geographic area does not include the following grain elevators inside Michigan's area which have been and will continue to be serviced by the following official agencies:

1. Detroit Grain Inspection Service, Inc.: St. Johns Coop., St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan.
2. Northeast Indiana Grain Inspection: E.M. P. Grain, Payne, Paulding County, Ohio.

Effective August 1, 1998, Michigan's present geographic area is amended to include part of Ohio. Michigan's designation to provide official inspection services terminates April 30, 2001. Official services may be obtained by contacting Michigan at 616-781-2711.

Authority: Pub. L. 94-582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 et seq.).

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Dated: July 2, 1998.

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Director, Compliance Division.

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