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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Opportunity for Designation in the Former Lima (OH) Area

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The designation of Lima Grain Inspection Services, Inc., (Lima), ended July 31, 1998, at Lima's request in conjunction with the sale of the Lima stock to Michigan Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (Michigan). Michigan, a designated official agency, subsequently advised GIPSA that the sale will not be completed. GIPSA is asking persons interested in providing official services in the former Lima area to submit an application for designation.

DATES: Applications must be postmarked or sent by telecopier (FAX) on or before September 28, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted to USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, Room 1647-S, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-3604. Applications may be submitted by FAX on 202-690-2755. If an application is submitted by FAX, GIPSA reserves the right to request an original application. All applications will be made available for public inspection at this address located at 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., during regular business hours.

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 July 16, 1998, Federal Register (63 FR 38367), GIPSA announced the purchase of the former Lima agency by Michigan, effective August 1, 1998. GIPSA also announced the amendment of Michigan's designation to provide official inspection services under the Act, to include the former Lima, Ohio area, effective August 1, 1998. Michigan subsequently advised GIPSA that the purchase of the Lima agency will not be completed. Thus, GIPSA is withdrawing the amendment as published

in the July 16, 1998, Federal Register.

Lima voluntarily canceled their designation effective July 31, 1998. Accordingly, GIPSA is asking persons interested in providing official services in the former Lima area to submit an application for designation.

Pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the Act, the former Lima geographic area, in the State of Ohio, is as follows:

Bounded on the North by the northern and eastern Williams County lines; the northern and eastern Defiance County lines south to U.S. Route 24; U.S. Route 24 northeast to State Route 108;

Bounded on the East by 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.

The former Lima geographic area does not include the following grain elevator inside the former Lima area which has been and will continue to be serviced by the following official agency: Northeast Indiana Grain Inspection, Inc.: E.M.P. Grain, Payne, Paulding County.

Interested persons are hereby given the opportunity to apply for designation to provide official services in the geographic area specified above under the provisions of Section 7(f) of the Act and section 800.196(d) of the regulations issued thereunder. Persons wishing to apply for designation should contact the Compliance Division at the address listed above for forms and information. Applications and other available information will be considered in determining which applicant will be designated.

Official services in the former Lima area may be obtained by contacting GIPSA' Toledo, Ohio, Field Office at 419-259-6276 until an organization is designated to serve the area.

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

Dated: August 20, 1998.

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Director, Compliance Division.
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