accepted a petition filed by a group of Florida avocado producers for trade adjustment assistance. The Administrator will determine within 40 days whether or not increasing avocado imports contributed importantly to a decline in domestic producer prices of 20 percent or more during the marketing period beginning June 1, 2004, and ending February 28, 2005. If the determination is positive, all producers who produce and market their avocados in Florida will be eligible to apply to the Farm Service Agency for no cost technical assistance and for adjustment assistance payments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean-Louis Pajot, Coordinator, Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers, FAS, USDA, (202) 720–2916, e-mail: trade.adjustment@fas.usda.gov.


A. Ellen Terpstra, Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Refined Sugar Re-Export Program

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

Using the waiver authority for the refined sugar re-export program found at 7 CFR 1530.113, the Foreign Agricultural Service is temporarily extending from 90 days to 270 days the period in which licensed refiners must export or transfer an equivalent amount of refined sugar, after entering a quantity of raw cane sugar, if such entry results in a positive balance to their license. For any raw sugar entered into U.S. customs territory on a license between September 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006, which resulted in a positive balance to the license, the licensed refiner shall have 270 days to export or transfer an equivalent amount of refined sugar. For any sugar entered into U.S. customs territory on a license after September 30, 2006, this waiver shall not apply, and the provisions of the regulations found at 7 CFR 1530.105 shall be in force.

Background

A request for comments on a proposed waiver to the sugar re-export program 90-day deadline was published in the Federal Register on September 30, 2005. Three comments were received, all in favor of temporarily extending from 90 days to 270 days the period in which licensed refiners must export or transfer an equivalent amount of refined sugar, after entering a quantity of raw cane sugar, if such entry results in a positive balance to their license.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron Lord, Deputy Director, Import Policies and Programs Division, FAS, USDA, (202) 720–2916, e-mail: Ronald.lord@usda.gov.

Dated: November 1, 2005.

Kenneth J. Roberts, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Intergovernmental Advisory Committee Meeting, Northwest Forest Plan

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Intergovernmental Advisory Committee (IAC), Northwest Forest Plan (NWFP), has scheduled a meeting on November 30, 2005 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Oregon Convention Center, downstairs conference room A106, 777 NE., Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Portland, OR 97232, 503–235–7575. The purpose of the meeting is to review progress on addressing key findings and trends from the April 19–20, 2005 Science and the Northwest Forest Plan, Knowledge Gained Over a Decade conference hosted by the USDA, Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station, and to collect advice regarding the implementation improvement strategies being drafted.

The meeting is open to the public and fully accessible for people with disabilities. A 10-minute time slot is reserved for public comments at 9:10 a.m. Interpreters are available upon request at least 10 days prior to the meeting. Written comments may be submitted for the meeting record. Interested persons are encouraged to attend.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions regarding this meeting may be directed to Kath Collier, Management Analyst, Regional Ecosystem Office, 333 SW, First Avenue, P.O. Box 3623, Portland, OR 97208 (telephone: 503–808–2165).


Anne Badgley, Designated Federal Official.

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ANTITRUST MODERNIZATION COMMISSION

Request for Public Comment

AGENCY: Antitrust Modernization Commission.

ACTION: Request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Antitrust Modernization Commission requests comments from the public regarding specific questions relating to the issues selected for Commission study.

DATES: Comments are due by January 13, 2006.

ADDRESSES: By electronic mail: comments@amc.gov. By mail: Antitrust Modernization Commission, Attn: Public Comments, 1120 G Street, NW., Suite 810, Washington, DC 20005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrew J. Heimert, Executive Director & General Counsel, Antitrust Modernization Commission. Telephone: (202) 233–0781; e-mail: info@amc.gov.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Antitrust Modernization Commission was established to “examine whether the need exists to modernize the antitrust laws and to identify and study related issues.” Antitrust Modernization Commission Act of 2002, Pub. L. 107–273, section 11053, 116 Stat. 1856. In conducting its review of the antitrust laws, the Commission is required to “solicit the views of all parties concerned with the operation of the antitrust laws.” Id. By this request for comments, the Commission seeks to provide a full opportunity for interested members of the public to provide input regarding certain issues selected for Commission study. From time to time, the Commission may issue additional requests for comment on issues selected for study.

Comments should be submitted in written form. Comments should identify the topic to which it relates. Comments need not address every question within the topic. Comments exceeding 1500 words should include a brief (less than 250 word) summary. Commenters may submit additional background materials (such as articles, data, or other information) relating to the topic by separate attachment. Comments should identify the person or organization submitting the.
comments. If comments are submitted by an organization, the submission should identify a contact person within the organization. Comments should include the following contact information for the submitter: an address, telephone number, and email address (if available). Comments submitted to the Commission will be made available to the public in accordance with federal laws.

Comments may be submitted either in hard copy or electronic form. Electronic submissions may be sent by electronic mail to comments@amc.gov. Comments submitted in hard copy should be delivered to the address specified above, and should enclose, if possible, a CD-ROM or a 3 1/2 inch computer diskette containing an electronic copy of the comment. The Commission prefers to receive electronic documents (whether by e-mail or on CD-ROM/diskette) in portable document format (.pdf), but also will accept comments in Microsoft Word format.


Topic for Comment

The Commission requests comment on the following topic.

International

The adoption of competition or antitrust laws by over 100 jurisdictions around the world, as well as the globalization of commerce and markets, has given rise to the potential for conflict between the United States and foreign jurisdictions with respect to enforcement actions taken and remedies sought. Are there multilateral procedures that should be implemented, or other actions taken, to enhance international antitrust comity? In commenting, please address the significance of the issue, what solutions might reduce that problem, and how such solutions could be implemented by the United States.

Dated: November 9, 2005.

By direction of the Antitrust Modernization Commission.

Andrew J. Heimert,
Executive Director & General Counsel, Antitrust Modernization Commission.

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ANTITRUST MODERNIZATION COMMISSION

Notice of Public Hearings

AGENCY: Antitrust Modernization Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public hearings.

SUMMARY: The Antitrust Modernization Commission will hold public hearings on December 1 and 5, 2005. The topics of the hearings are Government Civil Remedies, Statutory Immunities and Exemptions, and Antitrust in Regulated Industries.

DATES: December 1, 2005, 10 to 12 p.m. and 1:15 to 4:30 p.m. December 5, 2005, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Interested members of the public may attend. Registration is not required.

ADDRESSES: For December 1: Federal Trade Commission, Conference Center, 601 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. For December 5: Rayburn House Office Building, Room 2237, Independence Ave. and South Capitol Street, SW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrew J. Heimert, Executive Director & General Counsel, Antitrust Modernization Commission: telephone: (202) 233–0701; e-mail: info@amc.gov. Mr. Heimert is also the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the Antitrust Modernization Commission.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The purpose of these hearings is for the Antitrust Modernization Commission to take testimony and receive evidence regarding Government Civil Remedies, Statutory Immunities and Exemptions, and Antitrust in Regulated Industries. The hearing on Government Civil Remedies will consist of one panel on December 1, 2005, and will begin at 10 a.m. and conclude at 12 p.m. The hearing on Statutory Immunities and Exemptions will consist of three panels on December 1, beginning at 1:15 p.m. and concluding at 4:30 p.m. The hearing on Antitrust in Regulated Industries will consist of two panels, and will be held on December 5, 2005, beginning at 1 p.m. and concluding at 5 p.m. Materials relating to the hearings, including lists of witnesses and the prepared statements of the witnesses, will be made available on the Commission’s Web site (http://www.amc.gov) in advance of the hearings. Interested members of the public may submit written testimony on the subject of the hearing in the form of comments, pursuant to the Commission’s request for comments. See 70 FR 28902 (May 19, 2005). Members of the public will not be provided with an opportunity to make oral remarks at the hearings.


Dated: November 9, 2005.

By direction of the Antitrust Modernization Commission.

Andrew J. Heimert,
Executive Director & General Counsel, Antitrust Modernization Commission.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Rhode Island Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a conference call of the Rhode Island Advisory Committee will convene at 10 a.m. and adjourn at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, November 15, 2005. The purpose of the conference call is to recap real estate foreclosure “rescue” scams briefing, discuss achievement gap in elementary and secondary schools in Rhode Island, and plan projects.

This conference call is available to the public through the following call-in number: 1–800–473–8692, access code number: 45678870. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. Callers can expect to incur charges for calls not initiated using the supplied call-in number or over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls using the call-in number over land-line connections. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–977–8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and access code number.

To ensure that the Commission secures an appropriate number of lines for the public, persons are asked to register by contacting Barbara de La Viez of the Eastern Regional Office, 202–376–7533 (TTY 202–375–8116), by e-mail at rhodeislandadvisorycommittee@amc.gov or by phone at 202–376–7533.

This meeting will be conducted pursuant to the laws and regulations of the Commission.

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