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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

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Solicitation of Nominations for Members of the USDA Grain Inspection Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice to solicit nominees.

SUMMARY: USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is seeking nominations for individuals to serve on the USDA Grain Inspection Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee). The Advisory Committee meets no less than once annually to advise AMS on the programs and services it delivers under the U.S. Grain Standards Act (USGSA). Recommendations by the Advisory Committee help AMS better meet the needs of its customers who operate in a dynamic and changing marketplace.

DATES: AMS will consider nominations received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit nominations for the Advisory Committee by completing form AD-755 and sending via email as an attachment to: Anthony.T.Goodeman@usda.gov.

Form AD-755 may be obtained via USDA's website:

<https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-755-advisory-committee-commodity-board-background-information.pdf>. For more information about the committee visit the Grain Inspection Advisory Committee website:

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/about-ams/facas-advisory-councils/giac>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anthony Goodeman, telephone (202) 720-0291 or e-mail Anthony.T.Goodeman@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As required by section 21 of the USGSA (7 U.S.C. 87j), as amended, the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary) established the Advisory Committee on September 29, 1981, to provide advice to the AMS Administrator on implementation of the USGSA. As specified in the USGSA, no member may serve, successively, for more than 2 terms.

The Advisory Committee consists of 15 members, appointed by the Secretary, who represent the interests of grain producers, processors, handlers, merchandisers, consumers, exporters, and scientists with expertise in research related to the policies in section 2 of the USGSA (7 U.S.C. 74). While members of the Advisory Committee serve without compensation, USDA reimburses them for travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, for travel away from their homes or regular places of business in performance of Advisory Committee service (*see* 5 U.S.C. 5703).

A list of current Advisory Committee members and other relevant information are available on the USDA website at: <https://www.ams.usda.gov/about-ams/facas-advisory-councils/giac>.

The grain industry utilizes official inspection and weighing services for barley, canola, corn, flaxseed, oats, rye, soybeans, sorghum, sunflower seed, triticale, wheat, and mixed grain at various points throughout the marketing chain. AMS is seeking nominations for the Advisory Committee that will reflect the varied interest and experience from these different sectors of the grain industry from producer to exporter, including, but not limited to, grain producers, processors, merchandisers, handlers, exporters, consumers, grain inspection agencies and scientists. Therefore, when making recommendations for appointments, the industry must consider the varied interests of the population served and the knowledge, skills, and abilities of the members to serve a range of stakeholders.

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Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (*e.g.*, Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

Equal opportunity practices in accordance with USDA's policies will be followed in all appointments to the Committee. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

The final selection of Advisory Committee members is made by the Secretary.

Dated: December 23, 2025.

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USDA Committee Management Officer.

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