

commodities which otherwise might be provided to States for distribution under TEFAP. However, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004 (Public Law 108-199) permits States to convert any or all of their fair share of \$10 million of these funds to administrative funds to pay costs associated with the distribution of TEFAP commodities at the State and local level. States have in the current fiscal year chosen to use \$744,206 of their "fair shares" of this \$10 million to increase their commodity entitlements.

In addition, \$50 million was appropriated under the Commodity Assistance Program heading of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004, as administrative funds. State agencies have the option of requesting that the Department use any or all of their "fair shares" of this \$50 million to purchase additional commodities for them.

For FY 2004, the Department anticipates purchasing the following commodities for distribution through TEFAP: dehydrated potatoes, corn syrup, egg mix, blackeye beans, great northern beans, kidney beans, lima beans, pinto beans, dried plums, raisins, bakery mix, lowfat bakery mix, egg noodles, white and yellow corn grits, macaroni, oats, peanut butter, rice, spaghetti, vegetable oil, rice cereal, corn flakes, corn squares, oat cereal, bran flakes, frozen ground beef, frozen chicken, frozen ham, frozen turkey roast, and the following canned items: green beans, refried beans, vegetarian beans, carrots, cream corn, whole kernel corn, sliced potatoes, spaghetti sauce, tomatoes, tomato sauce, tomato soup, vegetarian soup, apple juice, cranapple juice, grapefruit juice, orange juice, pineapple juice, tomato juice, apricots, peaches, pineapples, applesauce, pears, plums, beef, beef stew, chicken, pork, tuna, and roasted peanuts. The amounts of each item purchased will depend on the prices the Department must pay, as well as the quantity of each item requested by the States. Changes in agricultural market conditions may result in the availability of additional types of commodities or the non-availability of one or more types listed above.

Dated: August 11, 2004.

**Roberto Salazar,**  
*Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Natural Resources Conservation Service

#### Public Meeting Will allow Interested Parties To Comment on the Activities of the Resource Conservation and Development Program

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will hold a meeting to solicit comments on the activities of the Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Program. Section 2504 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-171) requires that the Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with the National Association of Resource Conservation and Development Councils (NAR&DC), evaluate RC&D to determine whether it is effectively meeting the needs of, and purposes identified by States, units of government, Indian tribes, non-profit organizations, and councils participating in, or served by, the program. The Secretary of Agriculture, acting through NRCS, will conduct this evaluation, and submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the U.S. House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report describing the results of the evaluation, together with any recommendations of the Secretary for continuing, terminating, or modifying the program, by June 30, 2005.

As part of this evaluation, NRCS is conducting public meetings, with all interested parties, to solicit comments on the activities of the program. Comments will be solicited on, and should be limited to, the following topics: (1) RC&D effectiveness in meeting the needs of the States, units of government, Indian tribes, non-profit organizations, and RC&D councils served by the program; (2) RC&D effectiveness in developing community leadership; (3) RC&D Program elements that best serve regional conservation and development needs; and (4) RC&D Program elements that can be strengthened to better serve regional conservation and development needs.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** The schedule for the remaining three listening sessions is as follows:

- September 2, 2004—Ogleby Resort and Conference Center, Wheeling, West Virginia, 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

- September 22, 2004—Savannah Marriott Riverfront Hotel, Savannah, Georgia, 2 p.m.-5 p.m.
- September 28, 2004—Campbell Resort, Chelan, Washington, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Written comments may also be submitted, no later than September 30, 2004, to Terry D'Addio, National RC&D Program Manager, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 312, Cotton Annex Building, Washington, DC 20250.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Terry D'Addio, Natural Resources Conservation Service, telephone: (202) 720-0557; fax (202) 690-0639; e-mail: [Terry.d'addio@usda.gov](mailto:Terry.d'addio@usda.gov).

Signed in Washington, DC on August 23, 2004.

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## COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

### Procurement List Proposed Deletions

**AGENCY:** Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

**ACTION:** Proposed deletions from Procurement List.

**SUMMARY:** The Committee is proposing to delete from the Procurement List products previously furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before: October 3, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Jefferson Plaza 2, Suite 10800, 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia, 22202-3259.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sheryl D. Kennerly, (703) 603-7740.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C 47(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed actions.

### Deletions

#### Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities.