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subject to regulation and not subject to regulation; (3) the date of each such disposition and the identification of the carrier transporting such prunes; and (4) the destination of each shipment of such prunes.

(b) All such reports shall be held under appropriate protective classification and custody by the committee, or duly appointed employees thereof, so that the information contained therein which may adversely affect the competitive position of any handler in relation to other handlers will not be disclosed. Compilations of general reports from data submitted by handlers are authorized, subject to the prohibition of disclosure of individual handler's identities or operations.

(c) Each handler shall maintain for at least two succeeding years such records of the prunes received, and of prunes disposed of, by such handler as may be necessary to verify reports pursuant to this section.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

§ 924.61 Compliance.

Except as provided in this part, no person shall handle prunes, the shipment of which has been prohibited by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of this part; and no person shall handle prunes except in conformity with the provisions and the regulations issued under this part.

§ 924.62 Right of the Secretary.

The members of the committee (including successors and alternates), and any agents, employees, or representatives thereof, shall be subject to removal or suspension by the Secretary at any time. Each and every regulation, decision, determination, or other act of the committee shall be subject to the continuing right of the Secretary to disapprove of the same at any time. Upon such disapproval, the disapproved action of the committee shall be deemed null and void, except as to acts done in reliance thereon or in accordance therewith prior to such disapproval by the Secretary.

§ 924.63 Effective time.

The provisions of this part and any amendments thereto shall become ef-

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fective at such time as the Secretary may declare above his signature, and shall continue in force until terminated in one of the ways specified in § 924.64.

§ 924.64 Termination.

(a) The Secretary may at any time terminate the provisions of this part by giving at least one day's notice by means of a press release or in any other manner in which he may determine.

(b) The Secretary shall terminate or suspend the operation of any and all of the provisions of this part whenever he finds that such provisions do not tend to effectuate the declared policy of the act.

(c) The Secretary shall terminate the provisions of this part at the end of any fiscal period whenever he finds that continuance is not favored by the majority of producers who, during a representative period determined by the Secretary, were engaged in the production area in the production of prunes for market in fresh form: *Provided*, That such majority has produced for market during such period more than 50 percent of the volume of prunes produced for fresh market in the production area; but such termination shall be effective only if announced on or before March 31 of the then current fiscal period.

(d) The provisions of this part shall, in any event, terminate whenever the provisions of the act authorizing them cease to be in effect.

§ 924.65 Proceedings after termination.

(a) Upon the termination of the provisions of this part, the committee shall, for the purpose of liquidating the affairs of the committee, continue as trustees of all the funds and property then in its possession, or under its control, including claims for any funds unpaid or property not delivered at the time of such termination.

(b) The said trustees shall (1) continue in such capacity until discharged by the Secretary; (2) from time to time account for all receipts and disbursements and deliver all property on hand, together with all books and records of the committee and of the trustees, to such persons as the Secretary may direct; and (3) upon the request of the

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Secretary, execute such assignments or other instruments necessary or appropriate to vest in such person, full title and right to all of the funds, property, and claims vested in the committee or the trustees pursuant hereto.

(c) Any person to whom funds, property, or claims have been transferred or delivered, pursuant to this section, shall be subject to the same obligation imposed upon the committee and upon the trustees.

§ 924.66 Effect of termination or amendment.

Unless otherwise expressly provided by the Secretary, the termination of this part or of any regulation issued pursuant to this part, or the issuance of any amendment to either thereof, shall not (a) affect or waive any right, duty, obligation, or liability which shall have arisen or which may thereafter arise in connection with any provision of this part or any regulation issued under this part, or (b) release or extinguish any violation of this part or of any regulation issued under this part, or (c) affect or impair any rights or remedies of the Secretary or of any other person with respect to any such violation.

§ 924.67 Duration of immunities.

The benefits, privileges, and immunities conferred upon any person by virtue of this part shall cease upon the termination of this part, except with respect to acts done under and during the existence of this part.

§ 924.68 Agents.

The Secretary may, by designation in writing, name any officer or employee of the United States, or name any agency or division in the United States Department of Agriculture, to act as his agent or representative in connection with any of the provisions of this part.

§ 924.69 Derogation.

Nothing contained in the provisions of this part is, or shall be construed to be, in derogation or in modification of the rights of the Secretary or of the United States (a) to exercise any powers granted by the act or otherwise, or (b) in accordance with such powers, to

act in the premises whenever such action is deemed advisable.

§ 924.70 Personal liability.

No member or alternate member of the committee and no employee or agent of the committee shall be held personally responsible, either individually or jointly with others, in any way whatsoever, to any person for errors in judgment, mistakes, or other acts, either of commission or omission, as such member, alternate, employee, or agent, except for acts of dishonesty, willful misconduct, or gross negligence.

§ 924.71 Separability.

If any provision of this part is declared invalid or the applicability thereof to any person, circumstance, or thing is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this part or the applicability thereof to any other person, circumstance, or thing shall not be affected thereby.

Subpart—Rules and Regulations

§ 924.101 Changes in district representation.

Beginning with the 1970-71 fiscal period, the representation or membership on the Washington-Oregon Fresh Prune Marketing Committee is reapportioned as follows:

(a) Three (3) grower members and their respective alternates shall be producers of prunes in District 1;

(b) Three (3) grower members and their respective alternates shall be producers of prunes in District 2;

(c) Two (2) handler members and their respective alternates shall be producers of prunes in District 1; and

(d) One (1) handler member and his alternate shall be handlers of prunes in District 2.

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§ 924.110 Waiver of inspection and certification.

(a) *Application.* Any handler (including a grower-handler packing and handling prunes of such handler's own production), whose packing facilities are located in an area where either a Washington State Plant Industry Division