

were able to express views on this issue. Finally, interested persons are invited to submit comments on this proposed rule, including the regulatory and information collection impacts of this action on small businesses.

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Order's information collection requirements have been previously approved by OMB and assigned OMB No. 0581-0178 Vegetable and Specialty Crops. No changes in those requirements are necessary as a result of this action. Should any changes become necessary, they would be submitted to OMB for approval.

This proposal does not impose any additional reporting or recordkeeping requirements on either small or large Florida tomato handlers. As with all Federal marketing order programs, reports and forms are periodically reviewed to reduce information requirements and duplication by industry and public sector agencies.

AMS is committed to complying with the E-Government Act, to promote the use of the Internet and other information technologies to provide increased opportunities for citizen access to Government information and services, and for other purposes.

USDA has not identified any relevant Federal rules that duplicate, overlap, or conflict with this proposed rule.

A small business guide on complying with fruit, vegetable, and specialty crop marketing agreements and orders may be viewed at: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/rules-regulations/moa/small-businesses>. Any questions about the compliance guide should be sent to Richard Lower at the previously mentioned address in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

After consideration of all relevant material presented, including the information and recommendation submitted by the Committee and other available information, it is hereby found that this proposed rule, as hereinafter set forth, would tend to effectuate the declared policy of the Act.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 966

Marketing agreements, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Tomatoes.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, 7 CFR part 966 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 966—TOMATOES GROWN IN FLORIDA

■ 1. The authority citation for 7 CFR part 966 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 601–674.

[Subpart Redesignated as Subpart A]

■ 2. Redesignate “Subpart—Order Regulating Handling” as “Subpart A—Order Regulating Handling”.

[Subpart Redesignated as Subpart B and Amended]

■ 3. Redesignate “Subpart—Rules and Regulations” as subpart B and revise the heading to read as follows:

Subpart B—Administrative Requirements

[Subpart Redesignated as Subpart C]

■ 4. Redesignate “Subpart—Assessment Rates” as “Subpart C—Assessment Rates”.

[Subpart Redesignated as Subpart D and Amended]

■ 5. Redesignate “Subpart—Handling Regulations” as subpart D and revise the heading to read as follows:

Subpart D—Handling Requirements

■ 6. Section 966.234 is revised to read as follows:

§ 966.234 Assessment rate.

On and after August 1, 2017, an assessment rate of \$0.025 per 25-pound container is established for Florida tomatoes.

Dated: December 4, 2017.

Bruce Summers,

Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

7 CFR Part 1006

[AMS-DA-17-0068; AO-18-0008]

Milk in the Florida Marketing Area; Supplemental Notification of Hearing

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed rule; supplemental notification of public hearing.

SUMMARY: A public hearing is being held, on an emergency basis, to consider a proposal submitted by Southeast Milk, Inc., Dairy Farmers of America, Inc., Premier Milk, Inc., Maryland and Virginia Milk Producers Cooperative Association, Inc., and Lone Star Milk Producers, L.C. This supplemental notice extends the hearing from December 12, 2017, through December 14, 2017, in order to provide adequate public notification.

DATES: The hearing will convene at 9:00 a.m. on December 12, 2017, December 13, 2017 and December 14, 2017.

ADDRESSES: The hearing will be held at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Tampa Downtown Convention Center, 513 South Florida Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33602; telephone (813) 769-8326.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Erin Taylor, Acting Director, Order Formulation and Enforcement Division, USDA/AMS/Dairy Program, Stop 0231—Room 2963, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-0231; (202) 720-7311; email address: erin.taylor@ams.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 7, 2017, a Notice of Hearing was placed on public inspection at the **Federal Register** (Document Number 2017-26632) announcing a hearing to begin on December 12, 2017. That notice is scheduled to be published December 11, 2017. The Rules of Practice and Procedure Governing Proceedings to Formulate Marketing Agreements and Marketing Orders require that the time of a hearing cannot be less than 3 days after the date of publication of the notice in the **Federal Register** (7 CFR 900.4).

Therefore, notice is hereby given that the public hearing to be held at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Tampa Downtown Convention Center, 513 South Florida Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33602, will be held December 12, 2017, through December 14, 2017. The hearing will begin at 9:00 a.m. on each hearing day. If no interested persons appear to present testimony or evidence by noon on December 13, 2017 or December 14, 2017, the hearing will conclude at noon on that day.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 1006

Milk marketing orders.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 601–674, and 7253.

Dated: December 7, 2017.

Bruce Summers,

Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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