

measures by the competent authorities of exporting and importing countries to provide assurance, where necessary, that foodstuffs comply with requirements, especially statutory health requirements;

(c) Developing guidelines for the utilization, as and when appropriate, of quality assurance systems to ensure that foodstuffs conform with requirements and to promote the recognition of these systems in facilitating trade in food products under bilateral/multilateral arrangements by countries;

(d) Developing guidelines and criteria with respect to format, declarations and language of such official certificates as countries may require with a view towards international harmonization;

(e) Making recommendations for information exchange in relation to food import/export control;

(f) Consulting as necessary with other international groups working on matters related to food inspection and certification systems; and

(g) Considering other matters assigned to it by the Commission in relation to food inspection and certification systems.

The CCFICS is hosted by Australia. The United States attends CCFICS as a member country of Codex.

Issues To Be Discussed at the Public Meeting

The following items on the Agenda for the 24th Session of the CCFICS will be discussed during the public meeting:

- Matters referred by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and its subsidiary bodies
- Information on activities of FAO and WHO and other international organizations relevant to the work of CCFICS
- Proposed draft guidance on the use of systems equivalence
- Proposed draft guidance on paperless use of electronic certificates (revision of the Guidelines for Design, Production, Issuance and Use of Generic Official Certificates)
- Proposed draft guidance on regulatory approaches to third party assurance schemes in food safety and fair practices in the food trade
- Discussion paper on food integrity and food authenticity
- Discussion paper on consideration of emerging issues and future directions for the work of CCFICS
- Assessment of the experimental approach for intersessional Physical Working Groups (PWGs)
- Other businesses and future work

Each issue listed will be fully described in documents distributed, or

to be distributed by the Secretariat before to the Committee Meeting. Members of the public may access or request copies of these documents (see **ADDRESSES**).

Public Meeting

At the September 26, 2018, public meeting, draft U.S. positions on the agenda items will be described and discussed, and attendees will have the opportunity to pose questions and offer comments. Written comments may be offered at the meeting or sent to Mary Stanley, U.S. Delegate for the 24th Session of the CCFICS (see **ADDRESSES**). Written comments should state that they relate to activities of the 24th Session of the CCFICS.

Additional Public Notification

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Rural Housing Service

Rural Utilities Service

Rural Development Cooperative Agreement Program; Correction.

AGENCY: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Rural Housing Service, and Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects one item in the initial notice that published in the **Federal Register** on August 17, 2018, entitled "Rural Development Cooperative Agreement Program." This correction revises the maximum available points for one scoring criteria.

DATES: Effective September 6, 2018.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In FR Doc. 2018-17765 appearing on page 41046 in the **Federal Register** of August 16, 2018, make the following correction:

Correction

On page 41052 in the second column, third paragraph, section d. reads "The applicant will demonstrate how their proposal will utilize partnerships outside of RD . . . (10 points)," replace with "The applicant will demonstrate how their proposal will utilize partnerships outside of RD . . . (5 points)."

Dated: August 30, 2018.

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Chief of Staff, USDA Rural Development.

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