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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Plant Breeding Listening Session meeting

**ACTION:** Notice of a Plant Breeding Listening Session Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of the Chief Scientist of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) announces a Plant Breeding Listening Session stakeholder meeting for all interested plant breeding and cultivar development stakeholders.

**DATES:** The Plant Breeding Listening Session will be held August 15, 2013. The public may file written comments up to one week after the meeting with the Contact Person.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place at the Jamie L. Whitten Building, 12th Street and Jefferson Drive SW., Washington, DC 20250. Written comments from the public may be emailed to the Contact Person identified in this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jenna Jadin, Advisor, Office of the Chief Scientist; telephone: (202) 260-8318; or email: [jenna.jadin@osec.usda.gov](mailto:jenna.jadin@osec.usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Under Secretary of Research, Education, and Economics, Dr. Catherine Woteki, and the Director of the National Institute for Food and Agriculture (NIFA), Dr. Sonny Ramaswamy, have been invited to provide brief remarks and welcome stakeholders during the meeting.

On Thursday, August 15, 2013, the listening session will be held from 8:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m. in room 107-A of the Jamie L. Whitten building. Specific topics of discussion in the morning session will include an introduction to the plant breeding portfolio of all of USDA's relevant mission areas, including a discussion of relevant work, goals, and results.

In the late morning, the audience will listen to 10 minute presentations from

stakeholders that discuss their plant breeding and cultivar development programs and/or their perception of needs and potential improvements in publicly-funded plant breeding and cultivar development research. Following lunch, stakeholder presentations will continue, and will be followed by a summary and discussion session in which participants will be asked to discuss their reactions to the information presented earlier in the day, as well as respond to a set of questions presented by the organizers which are aimed at getting feedback on plant breeding and cultivar development needs. The meeting will adjourn by 5:30 p.m.

All stakeholders are welcome to apply for a 10-minute presentation slot, however, due to time constraints, a limited number will be selected on a first come, first served basis. To apply for a slot, please email the Contact Person listed above. All presentations may be simple oral presentations or given in PowerPoint, however, the organizers request that a written transcript of the talk be submitted no later than one week after the event. Written comments by attendees or other interested stakeholders will be welcomed before and up to one week following the listening session (by close of business Thursday, August 22, 2013). All statements will become a part of the official record of the Office of the Chief Scientist and will be kept on file in that office.

All parties interested in attending this event must RSVP no later than August 8, 2013 to the Contact Person listed above.

Due to size constraints in the meeting room, only the first 70 responders will be accepted.

Done at Washington, DC this 23rd day of July 2013.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Commodity Credit Corporation

#### Notice of Second Sugar Purchase and Exchange for Re-export Program Credits

**AGENCY:** Commodity Credit Corporation and Office of the Secretary, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) announces the intent to purchase raw cane sugar to be offered in exchange for Refined Sugar Re-export Program credits as a follow-up to the notice of sugar purchase and exchange for Re-export Program credits published in the **Federal Register** on June 18, 2013 (78 FR 36508-36510). CCC will purchase the sugar from domestic sugarcane processors under the Cost Reduction Options of the Food Security Act of 1985, and concurrently exchange such sugar for credits under the Refined Sugar Re-export Program.

**DATES:** Effective date: July 29, 2013.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For current market conditions, eligibility, and criteria for evaluation information contact Daniel Colacicco; telephone (202) 690-0734. For sugar purchase and general exchange information contact Pamela McKenzie; telephone (202) 260-8906. For Refined Sugar Re-export Program information contact Ron Lord; telephone (202) 720-6939. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communications (Braille, large print, audio tape, etc.) should contact the USDA Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the previous sugar purchase and exchange for Re-export Program credits announced in the **Federal Register** on June 18, 2013 (78 FR 36508-36510), and the inclusion of Certificates of Quota Eligibility (CQEs) issued pursuant to the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement and the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement announced in the **Federal Register** on June 26, 2013 (78 FR 38286), CCC purchased approximately 91,000 metric tons (MT) of sugar from the domestic market and exchanged the purchased sugar for 300,000 MT of credits from Refined Sugar Re-export Program licenses and CQEs issued under the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement, at an aggregate