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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

7 CFR Parts 1124 and 1131

[Docket No. AO-368-A32, AO-271-A37; DA-03-04]

Milk in the Pacific Northwest and Arizona-Las Vegas Marketing Areas; Notice of Hearing on Proposed Amendments to Tentative Marketing Agreements and Orders; Correction

7 CFR Part	Marketing area	AO Nos.
1124	Pacific Northwest	AO-368-A32
1131	Arizona-Las Vegas	AO-271-A37

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed rule; correction.

SUMMARY: The Agricultural Marketing Service is correcting the proposed rule that appeared in the **Federal Register** of August 6, 2003 (68 FR 46505), which gave notice of a public hearing to be held to consider proposals to amend the producer-handler provisions of the Arizona-Las Vegas and Pacific Northwest orders. The document was published with errors in the regulatory text regarding the amendments to the producer-handler definitions in § 1124.10 and § 1131.10. This docket corrects these errors.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jack Rower, Marketing Specialist, Order Formulation and Enforcement Branch, USDA/AMS/Dairy Programs, STOP 0231-Room 2971, 1400 Independence Avenue, Washington, DC 20250-0231, (202) 720-2357, e-mail address jack.rower@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Background notice of hearing was published in the **Federal Register** on August 6, 2003 (68 FR 46505), containing 5 proposals to be considered at a public hearing scheduled to begin

on September 23, 2003. As published, errors contained in proposals 1 and 3 are misleading and are in need of clarification.

1. On page 46506, third column, § 1124.10, paragraph (a)(3) introductory text is corrected to read as follows:

§ 1124.10 Producer-handler.

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(a) * * *
(3) The producer-handler neither receives at its designated milk production resources and facilities nor receives, handles, processes, or distributes at or through any of its designated milk handling, processing, or distributing resources and facilities other source milk products for reconstitution into fluid milk products or fluid milk products derived from any source other than:

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2. On page 46508, first column, § 1131.10, paragraph (a)(3) introductory text is corrected to read as follows:

§ 1131.10 Producer-handler.

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(a) * * *
(3) The producer-handler neither receives at its designated milk production resources and facilities nor receives, handles, processes, or distributes at or through any of its designated milk handling, processing, or distributing resources and facilities other source milk products for reconstitution into fluid milk products or fluid milk products derived from any source other than:

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Authority: 7 U.S.C. 601-674.

Dated: August 20, 2003.

A.J. Yates,
Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

7 CFR Part 1205

[Doc. No. CN-03-003]

Cotton Research and Promotion Program: Section 610 Review

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service.

ACTION: Notice of regulatory review and request for comments.

SUMMARY: This document announces the Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) review of the Cotton Research and Promotion Program (conducted under the Cotton Research and Promotion Order), under the criteria contained in Section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA).

DATES: Comments must be received by October 27, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the notice to Whitney Rick, Chief, Research and Promotion Staff, Cotton Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, Stop 0224, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250. Comments should be submitted in triplicate and will be made available for public inspection at the above address during regular business hours. Comments may also be submitted electronically to: cottoncomments@usda.gov. All comments should reference the docket number and the date and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. A copy of this notice may be found at: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cotton/rulemaking.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Whitney Rick, Chief, Research and Promotion Staff, Cotton Program, AMS, USDA, Stop 0224, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0224, telephone (202) 720-2259, facsimile (202) 690-1718, or e-mail at whitney.rick@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Cotton Research and Promotion Act of 1966 (7 U.S.C. 2101 *et seq.*) authorized a national Cotton Research and Promotion Program which is industry operated and funded, with oversight by USDA. The program's objective is to enable cotton growers and importers to establish, finance and carry out a coordinated program of research and promotion to improve the competitive position of, and to expand markets for cotton.

The program became effective on December 31, 1966, when the Cotton Research and Promotion Order (7 CFR Part 1205) was issued. Assessments began with the 1967 cotton crop. The Order was amended and a supplemental assessment initiated, not to exceed one percent of the value of each bale,