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## NOTICE TO THE TRADE PROCUREMENT POLICY

This notice announces a change in CCC procurement policy for commodities removed from the market under CCC's surplus removal authority. These commodities are used in foreign food-aid donation programs including activities under section 416(b) of the Agricultural Act of 1949. Effective with this notice, CCC will no longer issue invitations requiring the exchange of unprocessed bulk commodities for processed commodities for surplus removal operations. Instead, invitations will stipulate a direct purchase of the desired processed commodity.

To the extent there are commodities in CCC inventory that have been declared in surplus, such commodities may be liquidated by direct sale to offset the processed commodity purchase.

Questions concerning this issue should be addressed to Nelson Randall, Chief, Processed Commodities Branch, 816-926-6658.

Sincerely,

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Alex King, Acting Deputy Administrator Commodity Operations

