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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Announcement of New Appointments to the Membership of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board

**AGENCY:** Research, Education, and Economics, USDA.

**ACTION:** Announcement of Appointments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., the United States Department of Agriculture announces the appointments by the Secretary of Agriculture to fill 11 vacancies on the National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board.

**DATE:** Effective October 1, 1999.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 802 of the Federal Agricultural Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (The Farm Bill) authorized the creation of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board. The Board is composed of 30 members, each representing a specific category related to farming or ranching, food production and processing, forestry research, crop and animal science, land-grant institutions, food retailing and marketing, rural economic development, and natural resource and consumer interest groups, among many others.

The Board was first appointed in September 1996 and one-third of the 30 members were appointed for a 1, 2, and 3 year term, respectively. As a result of the staggered appointments, the terms for 10 of the 30 members expired September 30, 1999, and one member resigned which made a total of 11 vacancies to be filled. Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman made the following appointments effective

October 1, 1999, to begin a 3-year term to the Advisory Board (listed by category of representation: Category B, Farm Cooperatives, David Harlow, Harlow Farms, Inc., Palouse, Washington; Category D, Plant Commodity Producers, Daniel M. Dooley (reappointed), Dooley and Herr, LLD, Visalia, California; Category G, National Aquaculture Associations, T. Michael Freeze (reappointed), Keo Fish Farm, Keo, Arkansas; Category J, National Food Science Organizations, Susan Kay Harlander, The Pillsbury Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Category L, National Nutritional Science Societies, Cutherto Garza, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York; Category M, Land-Grant Colleges and Universities—1862—Victor L. Lechtenberg (reappointed), Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana; Category R, Scientific Community not closely associated with Agriculture, William Scouten (reappointed), Utah State University, Logan, Utah; Category S, Transportation of Food and Agricultural Products (foreign and domestic), Emma Jean Cervantes, Farmer/Producer, La Mesa, NM; Category AA, An agency of USDA lacking Research Capabilities, Homer L. Wilkes, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Jackson, Mississippi; Category BB, Research agency of the Federal Government other than USDA, Mary Clutter (reappointed), National Science Foundation, Arlington, Virginia; and Category DD, National Organization directly concerned with REE, Marlyn Jorgensen, Jorg-Anna Farms, Inc., Garrison, Iowa.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Deborah Hanfman, Executive Director, National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board, Research, Education, and Economics Advisory Board Office, Room 344A Jamie L. Whitten Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP: 2255, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-2255. Telephone: 202-720-3684. Fax: 202-720-6199, or e-mail: lshea@reeusda.gov.

Done at Washington, DC, this 2nd day of November 1999.

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*Under Secretary, Research, Education, and Economics.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Research Service

#### Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to AgriVir, LLC, of Washington, DC, an exclusive license to U.S. Patent No. 5,023,182 issued on June 11, 1991, entitled "Novel Virus Composition to Protect Agricultural Commodities From Insects." Notice of Availability was published in the **Federal Register** on September 22, 1988.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before January 29, 2000.

**ADDRESS:** Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5106 Sunnyside Avenue, Room 4-1158, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-5131.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301-504-5989.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Government's patent rights to this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as AgriVir, LLC, submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within sixty (60) days from the date of this published Notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

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