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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

7 CFR Parts 911 and 915

[Docket No. FV96-911-3]

Limes and Avocados Grown in Florida

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Referendum order.

SUMMARY: This document directs that referenda be conducted among eligible producers of Florida limes and Florida avocados to determine whether they favor continuance of the marketing orders regulating the handling of limes and avocados grown in the production area.

DATES: The referenda will be conducted from June 1 through June 15, 1996. To vote in these referenda, growers must have been producing Florida limes or Florida avocados during the period April 1, 1995, through March 31, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the marketing orders may be obtained from the office of the referendum agent at P.O. Box 2276, Winter Haven, Florida, 33883-2276, or the Office of the Docket Clerk, Marketing Order Administration Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Division, AMS, USDA, P.O. Box 96456, Room 2525-S, Washington, DC, 20090-6456; telephone (202) 720-5053.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris Jamieson, Southeast Marketing Field Office, Marketing Order Administration Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 2276, Winter Haven, Florida, 33883-2276; telephone: (941) 299-4770; or Britthany Beadle, Marketing Order Administration Branch, Fruit & Vegetable Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, Room 2536-S, P.O. Box 96456, Washington, DC 20090-6456, telephone: (202) 720-5127.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Marketing Order Nos. 911 [7 CFR Part

911] and 915 [7 CFR Part 915], hereinafter referred to as the "orders," and the applicable provisions of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as amended [7 U.S.C. 601-674], hereinafter referred to as the "Act", it is hereby directed that referenda be conducted to ascertain whether continuance of the orders is favored by the producers. The referenda shall be conducted during the period June 1, through June 15, 1996, among Florida lime and avocado producers in the production area. Only producers that were engaged in the production of Florida limes or Florida avocados during the period of April 1, 1995, through March 31, 1996, may participate in the continuance referenda.

The Secretary of Agriculture has determined that continuance referenda are an effective means for ascertaining whether producers favor continuance of marketing order programs. The Secretary would consider termination of the order(s) if less than two-thirds of the producers voting in the referenda and producers of less than two-thirds of the volume of Florida limes or Florida avocados represented in the referenda favor continuance. In evaluating the merits of continuance versus termination, the Secretary will not only consider the results of the continuance referenda. The Secretary will also consider other relevant information concerning the operation of the orders; the orders' relative benefits and disadvantages to producers, handlers, and consumers; and whether continued operation of the orders would tend to effectuate the declared policy of the Act.

In any event, section 8c(16)(B) of the Act requires the Secretary to terminate an order whenever the Secretary finds that a majority of all producers affected by the order favor termination, and such majority produced for market more than 50 percent of the commodity covered under such order.

In compliance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations (5 CFR Part 1320) which implement the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 [Pub. L. 104-13], the ballot materials to be used in the referenda herein ordered have been submitted to and approved by OMB and have been assigned OMB Nos. 0581-0091 for Florida limes and 0581-0078 for Florida avocados. It has been estimated that it

will take an average of 10 minutes for each of the approximately 114 producers of Florida limes and 138 producers of Florida avocados to cast a ballot.

Participation in the referenda is voluntary. Ballots postmarked after June 15, 1996, will not be included in the vote tabulation.

Doris Jamieson and Christian D. Nissen of the Southeast Marketing Field Office, Fruit and Vegetable Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, are hereby designated as the referenda agents of the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct such referenda. The procedure applicable to the referenda shall be the "Procedure for the Conduct of Referenda in Connection With Marketing Orders for Fruit, Vegetables, and Nuts Pursuant to the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as Amended" [7 CFR Part 900.400 *et. seq.*].

Ballots will be mailed to all producers of record and may also be obtained from the referenda agents and their appointees.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 911

Limes, Marketing agreements, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 915

Avocados, Marketing agreement, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

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

Dated: May 22, 1996.

D. Michael Holbrook,
Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 52

RIN 3150-AE87; 3150-AF15

Standard Design Certification for the U.S. Advanced Boiling-Water Reactor and System 80+ Designs; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule: extension of the comment period.