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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Research Service

#### Notice of Availability and Intent To Grant of Co-Exclusive Patent Licenses

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability and intent.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/974,709, "Composition and Method for the Control of Parasitic Mites in Honeybees," filed on October 19, 1997, is available for licensing and that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant two co-exclusive licenses to the following companies: Betterbee, Inc., of Greenwich, New York and Dadant & Sons, Inc., of Hamilton, Illinois.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before May 18, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 10300 Baltimore Boulevard, Room 401, Building 005, BARC-W, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-2350.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Willard J. Phelps, of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301/504-6532.

**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 said companies have submitted a complete and sufficient applications for a license, promising therein to bring the benefits of said invention to the U.S. public. The prospective co-exclusive licenses 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 co-exclusive licenses may be granted unless, within ninety (90) calendar 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.

**Richard M. Parry, Jr.,**

*Assistant Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Research Service

#### Notice of Availability and Intent To Grant of Exclusive Patent License

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability and intent.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to Cook Industrial Electric Co., Inc., of Cordele, Georgia, an exclusive license to Serial No. 08/915,687, filed on October 21, 1997, entitled "Automatic Sampling Apparatus for the Farmer Stock Peanut Pneumatic Sampler."

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before May 18, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 10300 Baltimore Boulevard, Room 401, Building 005, BARC-W, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-2350.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Willard J. Phelps, of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301/504-6532.

**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 Cook Industrial Electric Co., Inc., has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license, promising therein to bring the benefits of said invention to the U.S. public. 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) calendar 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.

**Richard M. Parry, Jr.,**

*Assistant Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. 98-010-1]

#### Notice of Request for Extension of Approval of an Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Extension of approval of an information collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's intention to request an extension of approval of an information collection that is used to evaluate the plant pest risk posed by the introduction of certain genetically engineered organisms and products.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by May 18, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding the accuracy of burden estimate, ways to minimize the burden (such as through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology), or any other aspect of this collection of information to: Docket No. 98-010-1, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, suite 3C03, 4700 River Road, Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238. Please send an original and three copies, and state that your comments refer to Docket No. 98-010-1. Comments received may be inspected at USDA, room 1141, South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Persons wishing to inspect comments are requested to call