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## NOTICE TO THE TRADE

## SPECIAL MARKINGS OF VEGETABLE OIL PURCHASED FOR EXPORT PROGRAMS INTENDED FOR MONETIZATION PROGRAMS

The Farm Service Agency (FSA), Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), will implement the following marking requirements for all packaging materials used for vegetable oil destined for use in export monetization programs to ensure that all product is easily identified and readily distinguishable throughout the production and delivery process.

## Fiberboard shipping container

A 3-inch solid white band must be printed on all 4 side panels of all fiberboard containers used for 4-liter vegetable oil monetization programs. The band must extend completely around the container to the extent that the box type/style will permit. The new 3-inch band must be printed in the same location as the USA logo and the 3 red bands as identified on Appendix 2, VO7, and EXHIBIT E. All other required markings shall be printed in blue.

At no time will the white band and the phrase "**NOT TO BE SOLD OR EXCHANGED**" appear on the same shipping container.

## 4-liter cylindrical-style cans and 20-liter pails

All 4-liter cylindrical-style cans and 20-liter pails used for monetization programs will be printed with a white band. The new band must be printed in the same location as the USA logo and the 3 red bands, as identified on Appendix 2, VO7, EXHIBITS C and I. The white band will be a minimum of 2 inches in height on the 4-liter cylindrical-style cans and 3 inches in height on the 20-liter pails and must extend completely around the container. All other required markings on the 4-liter cylindrical style cans and 20-liter pails shall be printed in blue.

At no time will the white band and the phrase "NOT TO BE SOLD OR EXCHANGED" appear on the same can.

Also, monetization vegetable oil will be designated as "white band" on all commodity requests, purchases documents, and contracts issued. These requirements will affect all future vegetable oil invitations until such time as the purchase announcement is revised to include these requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. James L. Riva, FSA, PDD, CMB, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Stop 0551, Room 5754-S, Washington, D. C. 20250-0551, Phone (202) 720-3774, Fax (202) 690-1809.

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