

For: State and County Offices

**Modified FAS-930, Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) for Farmers
Petition for Certification and Eligibility for a Group of Producers**

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 Overview

A Background

Groups or individuals acting as the authorized representative of an association of agricultural commodity producers electing to petition FAS for TAA benefits must complete and submit FAS-930.

B Purpose

This notice:

- provides State and County Offices with an example and instructions for completing the modified FAS-930 in Exhibit 1
- instructs County Offices to continue to assist potential petitioners in completing FAS-930 for submission to FAS.

2 Form Availability and Modifications

A FAS-930 Is Available

FAS-930 is available on the Internet with instructions for completion at <http://forms.sc.egov.usda.gov/eforms/mainervlet>

Other versions are available at:

- www.fas.usda.gov/info/fr/notices.html
- <http://165.221.16.90/dam/ffasforms/forms.html>

Disposal Date	Distribution
December 1, 2004	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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2 Form Availability and Modifications (Continued)

B FAS-930 Modifications

FAS-930 has been modified to:

- clarify the options for submitting FAS-930 and specify the deadline for submitting FAS-930 to FAS
- update the title and web site for accessing the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS)
- require petitioners to:
 - state the source of price data
 - provide contact information on data obtained for national prices when NASS or other office data is unavailable
 - provide supporting documentation to show how the price was calculated if official data was not used to determined the prices
- remove the signature, title, and date for the FAS representative to sign FAS-930.

3 Action

A County Office Action

County Offices shall:

- assist potential petitioners in completion of FAS-930, if requested
- not accept FAS-930 in the County Offices
- not require potential petitioners to complete FSA-237 to FAX FAS-930
- instruct potential petitioners to submit FAS-930 to FAS according to instructions provided on the form and this notice.

FAS-930 Instructions and Example of Form

Fld Name/ Item No.	Instruction
1 Authorized Representative	Enter the name of the authorized representative or the primary contact person if a group petition.
2 Name and Business Address	Enter the name and business address of the authorized representative filing FAS-930 on behalf of a group of producers.
3 Telephone No.	Enter the telephone number, including area code, of the entity identified in item 2.
4 FAX Number	Enter a FAX number, including area code, for the entity identified in item 2.
5 E-mail Address	Enter an e-mail address for the entity identified in item 2 or the representative identified in item 10A.
6 Producer Information	<p>If filing as an association or representative of individual applicants, skip item 6.</p> <p>If filing is made on behalf of named individuals, then enter the name, address, telephone number, and e-mail for each applicant. Eligibility for TAA may not be limited to applicants named in item 6.</p>
7A Commodity Information	Enter a brief description of the commodity this petition covers. The commodity described must be produced and marketed by the petitioners.
7B Harmonized Tariff Schedule	Enter the HTS number for the commodity entered in item 7A from HTS at the appropriate level of specificity, which may be up to 10 digits. Care should be taken in selecting the proper number because it will be used to determine import competition. In cases where more than 1 number is appropriate, explain in item 9.
7C Marketing Year	Enter the beginning and ending month and year for the marketing year this petition represents. All marketing periods begin on the first day of the month and end on the last day of the month unless NASS has determined otherwise.

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Fld Name/ Item No.	Instruction
7D Petition Coverage	Check the appropriate box that indicates the coverage of the petition being filed. A check in the box for a national program does not require production in all 50 States. Under a national petition, USDA will use national average prices compiled by NASS, whenever possible. If NASS has not compiled price data for the commodity, the petitioners shall provide the national average prices. In addition, if a national program is certified, the Extension Service will offer technical assistance to producers in every State, if necessary.
8A Marketing Year	Enter the most recent marketing year that TAA benefits are being requested, as indicated in item 7C.
8B Average Annual Price	Enter the average price of the commodity for the marketing year entered in item 8A.
8C 5-Year Average Annual Price	Enter the prices in U.S. dollars and cents per unit of measure most commonly used by producers when marketing the commodity identified in item 7A. If prices are not available for all years, explain in item 9.
9 Basis for Request	Provide an explanation or attach any documents that show how increased imports have affected the national price of the product during the most recent marketing year. In the explanation include any other factors which may also have contributed to lower producer prices.
10A Signature of Authorized Representative	Enter the signature of the individual identified in item 1.
10B Title	Enter the title of the individual signing item 10A.
10 C Date of Signature	Enter the date the individual signed in item 10A.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Foreign Agricultural Service

**TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE (TAA) FOR FARMERS
PETITION FOR CERTIFICATION AND ELIGIBILITY FOR A GROUP OF PRODUCERS**

NOTE: *The following statement is made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC 552a) and the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, as amended. The authority for requesting the following information is the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers, (Pub. L. 107-210). The information will be used to determine program eligibility. Furnishing the requested information is voluntary. Failure to furnish the requested information will result in denial of program benefits. This information may be provided to other agencies.*

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0551-0040. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 6 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Completed petition must be submitted by January 31 and faxed or emailed or mailed to addresses listed below.

Deadline for petition submission is January 31 by one of the following methods:

<p>FAX</p> <p>(202) 720-0876</p>	<p>EMAIL</p> <p>trade.adjustment@fas.usda.gov</p>	<p>ADDRESS</p> <p>U.S. Department of Agriculture Import Policies and Programs Division/FAS 1400 Independence Ave., S.W. Stop 1021 Washington, DC 20250-1021</p>
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1. Name of Authorized Representative or Primary Contact

2. Name and Business Address (Including City, State, and Zip Code)

3. Telephone Number (Including Area Code)

4. Fax Number (Including Area Code)

5. E-Mail Address

6. This petition is made on behalf of the following producers: *(Use separate sheet for additional producers)*

A. Name of Producers	B. Mailing Address	C. Telephone No. (Including Area Code)	D. E-Mail Address

7. COMMODITY INFORMATION:

A. Description of the raw (excludes processed) agricultural commodity:
(e.g., fresh raspberries)

B. Competing Imported Commodity's Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) Number (HTS can be found at: <http://www.usitc.gov/affairs.htm>)

C. This petition is for the most recent marketing year for the commodity beginning in _____ and ending _____
(month/year) (month/year)

D. Check whether the certification is to cover a commodity produced nationally or in an "impacted" area (state or states):

National

State(s) (list): _____

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8. If Item 7D "National" is checked, provide the national average annual price for the most recent marketing year and the 5 preceding marketing years. If Item 7D "State(s)" is checked to indicate that the petition is for an impacted area, provide the relevant average price for the most recent marketing year and the 5 preceding years, and specify the months being averaged if the price is for less than 12 months (seasonal price).

NOTE: Use Official data if available. The Department's National Agricultural Statistical Service (NASS) has national price data available for many raw agricultural commodities. That information can be found at: www.usda.gov/nass. You must state the source of your price data. If you do not use official data, you must provide contact information for verification purposes and supporting documentation to show how your price was calculated.

A. Marketing Year	B. Average Annual Price				
Most recent:	\$				
Provide prices for the 5 years prior to the most recent marketing years. Beginning with the most recent.	C. 5-Year Average Annual Price				
	1 Year ago	2 Years ago	3 Years ago	4 Years ago	5 Years ago
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

9. Basis for request for adjustment assistance. Please explain or attach any documents, which show how increased imports have affected the national price of your product during the most recent marketing year. In your description include any other factors which may also have contributed to lower producer prices.

10A. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRIMARY CONTACT	10B. TITLE	10C. DATE SIGNED
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