Fresh Products Branch Directive

FPB-616 10/27/00 CERTIFICATE COPIES FOR PRODUCTS FAILING TO MEET SECTION 8E IMPORT REQUIREMENTS

I. PURPOSE

This Directive describes the requirements and responsibilities for mailing or faxing certificate copies covering imported commodities that fail to meet U.S. Import Requirements under Section 608e of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as amended (section 8e).

II. POLICY

One copy of initial inspection certificates on imported commodities failing to meet import requirements under section 8e and follow-up inspections for the purpose of verifying that failed lots have been destroyed or brought into compliance with section 8e must be mailed or faxed to the Marketing Order Administration Branch (MOAB).

III.
RESPONSIBILITIES

The office that performs the initial inspection or follow-up of "FAILED" loads is responsible for mailing or faxing a copy of the certificate to MOAB at the following:

MAIL

Chief, Marketing Order Administration Branch Fruit and Vegetable Programs, AMS USDA Stop 0237 1400 Independence Ave., S.W. Washington D.C. 20250-0237

"ATTENTION COMPLIANCE TEAM"

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The fax number is (202) 720-5698 and should be sent to:

"ATTENTION: MOAB COMPLIANCE TEAM"

Faxes do not have to be followed with a hard copy unless requested by MOAB.

For further information or questions concerning the lot(s) covered by the certificate, a MOAB Compliance Team member can be reached by telephone at (202) 720-2491.

Branch Chief

Distribution: HQ, FM, CM, FPM, FS, MOAB

Originating Office: Program Support Section

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