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CCC deletes three oilseed program regulations from CFR

Citing as its reason the inactivity of three oilseed loan and purchase programs, the Commodity Credit Corporation has deleted regulations governing these programs from the Code of Federal Regulations. The affected programs are the Tung Oil Warehouse-Stored Loan Program, the Castor Oil Purchase Program, and the Cottonseed Oil and Meal Purchase Program. These programs have been inactive for 6, 14, and 12 years, respectively, CCC said. Details: *Federal Register*, Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1981, pp. 61247-61249.

Peanut loan and purchase rates established by CCC

Loan and purchase rates and location adjustments have been established for 1981-crop farm-stored peanuts by the Commodity Credit Corporation. Rates for quota peanuts range from \$438 per ton for Spanish peanuts to \$459 for Runner peanuts. Loans on additional peanuts will be made at 54.95 percent of the quota support rate. Details: Federal Register, Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1981, p. 63096.

USDA permits transfer of peanut contracts

An interim rule adopted by the Commodity Credit Corporation of the USDA amends regulations governing contracts for additional peanuts for crushing and export. The rule will enable producers to receive the best price possible for contracted additional peanuts when insolvent handlers cannot meet the terms of their contracts. The rule permits the Deputy Administrator, State and County Operations (DASCO) to approve the transfer of contracts for additional peanuts under specified conditions. Details: *Federal Register*, Friday, Dec. 18, 1981, p. 61637.

Peanut rules removed from CFR

The USDA Commodity Credit Corporation has decided that in order to avoid the need to amend the Code of Federal Regulations after each allotment and quota announcement, marketing quota referendum, and change in loan and purchase rates for peanuts, these determinations will no longer be codified in the Code of Federal Regulations. The information will be published in the *Federal Register*. Details: *Federal Register*, Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1981, p. 61247, and Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1981, p. 62048.

Colomer Red petition filed

A petition proposing that the color additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of Colomer Red in or on foods and orally ingested drugs has been filed with the FDA by Dynapol. Details: Federal Register, Friday, Dec. 18, 1981, p. 61730.

Acifluorfen tolerance established

In response to a request from Rohm and Haas Co., EPA has established a herbicide tolerance of 0.1 ppm for the combined residues of the sodium salt of acifluorfen and its metabolites in or on peanuts and peanut hulls. Details: *Federal Register*, Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1981, p. 61272.

Exemption from tolerance for residues sought

Tuco Product Co., Division of Upjohn Co., has submitted a pesticide petition to the EPA, seeking an exemption from the tolerance for residues requirement for the biological herbicide *Colletotrichum gloeosporioides* f. sp. *aeschnomene* in or on soybeans, fat and other commodities. Details: *Federal Register*, Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1981, p. 61329.