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# DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

# National Institute of Food and Agriculture

# 7 CFR Part 3434

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# **Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges** and Universities (HSACU)

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Food and Agriculture, USDA. **ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This rule updates the list of institutions that are granted HSACU certification by the Secretary and are eligible for HSACU programs for the period starting October 1, 2014, and ending September 30, 2015.

**DATES:** This rule is effective February 4, 2015 and applicable October 1, 2014. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa DePaolo; Policy Specialist; National Institute of Food and Agriculture; U.S. Department of Agriculture; STOP 2272; 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250–2272; Voice: 202-401-5061; Fax: 202-401-7752; Email: ldepaolo@nifa.usda.gov. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# **HSACU Institutions for Fiscal Year** 2015

This rule makes changes to the existing list of institutions in Appendix B of 7 CFR part 3434. The list of institutions is amended to reflect the institutions that are granted HSACU certification by the Secretary and are eligible for HSACU programs for the period starting October 1, 2014, and ending September 30, 2015.

# **Certification Process**

As stated in 7 CFR 3434.4, an institution must meet the following criteria to receive HSACU certification: (1) Be a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI), (2) offer agriculture-related

degrees, (3) not appear on the Excluded Parties List, (4) be accredited, and (5) award at least 15% of agriculture-related degrees to Hispanic students over the two most recent academic years.

NIFA obtained the latest report from the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics that lists all HSIs and the degrees conferred by these institutions (completions data) during the 2012–13 academic year. NIFA used this report to identify HSIs that conferred a degree in an instructional program that appears in Appendix A of 7 CFR part 3434 and to confirm that over the 2011-12 and 2012-13 academic years at least 15% of the degrees in agriculture-related fields were awarded to Hispanic students. NIFA further confirmed that these institutions were nationally accredited and did not have any exclusions listed in the System for Award Management (https://www.sam.gov).

The updated list of HSACUs is based on (1) completions data from 2011–12 and 2012–13, and (2) enrollment data from Fall 2013. NIFA identified 101 institutions that met the eligibility criteria to receive HSACU certification for FY 2015 (October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015).

# **Declaration of Intent To Apply for NLGCA Designation**

As set forth in Section 7101 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Pub. L. 113– 79), which amends 7 U.S.C. 3103, an institution that is eligible to be designated as an HSACU may notify the Secretary of its intent not to be considered an HSACU. To opt out of designation as an HSACU, an authorized official at the institution must submit a declaration of intent not to be considered an HSACU to NIFA by email at NLGCA.status@nifa.usda.gov. In accordance with Section 7101, a declaration by an institution not to be considered an HSACU shall remain in effect until September 30, 2018. Institutions that opt out of HSACU designation will have the option to apply for designation as a Non-Land Grant College of Agriculture (NLGCA) institution. To be eligible for NLGCA designation, institutions must be public colleges or universities offering baccalaureate or higher degrees in the study of food and agricultural sciences, as defined in 7 U.S.C. 3103. An online form to apply for NLGCA designation is

available at www.nifa.usda.gov/form/ form.html.

In FY 2014, three institutions opted out of their HSACU designation and received NLGCA designation, hence they are excluded from the FY 2015 HSACU list.

### **Appeal Process**

As set forth in 7 CFR 3434.8, NIFA will permit HSIs that are not granted HSACU certification to submit an appeal within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

# Classification

This rule relates to internal agency management. Accordingly, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553, notice of proposed rulemaking and opportunity for comment are not required, and this rule may be made effective less than 30 days after publication in the Federal **Register**. This rule also is exempt from the provisions of Executive Order 12866. This action is not a rule as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act, as amended by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, 5 U.S.C. 601 et seq., or the Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 et seq., and thus is exempt from the provisions of those Acts. This rule contains no information collection or recordkeeping requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).

# List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 3434

Administrative practice and procedure; Agricultural research, education, extension; Hispanic-Serving Institutions; Federal assistance.

Title 7, chapter XXXIV of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended accordingly as set forth below:

# PART 3434—HISPANIC-SERVING AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES AND **UNIVERSITIES CERTIFICATION** PROCESS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 3434 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 3103.

■ 2. Revise Appendix B to part 3434 to read as follows:

# Appendix B to Part 3434—List of HSACU Institutions, 2014–2015

The institutions listed in this appendix are granted HSACU certification by the Secretary and are eligible for HSACU programs for the

period starting October 1, 2014, and ending September 30, 2015. Institutions are listed alphabetically under the state of the school's location, with the campus indicated where applicable.

#### Arizona (4)

Cochise College Glendale Community College Phoenix College Pima Community College

#### California (39)

Allan Hancock College Antioch University-Los Angeles **Bakersfield** College California State University—Channel Islands California State University—East Bay California State University—Fresno California State University—San Bernardino Chaffey College College of San Mateo College of the Desert College of the Sequoias Fullerton College Golden West College Hartnell College Imperial Valley College Long Beach City College Los Angeles City College Los Angeles Pierce College Mendocino College Merced College MiraCosta College Modesto Junior College Monterey Peninsula College Mt. San Antonio College Mt. San Jacinto Community College District National University Orange Coast College Pacific Union College Porterville College Reedley College San Diego Mesa College San Joaquin Delta College Santa Ana College Santa Barbara City College Southwestern College University of California-Riverside Victor Valley College West Hills College Coalinga Whittier College

# Colorado (1)

Trinidad State Junior College

### Florida (3)

Florida International University Miami Dade College Nova Southeastern University

#### Illinois (2)

City Colleges of Chicago—Harold Washington College Dominican University

### Nevada (1)

College of Southern Nevada

# New Mexico (8)

Eastern New Mexico University—Main Campus Mesalands Community College New Mexico Highlands University

New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology Northern New Mexico College Santa Fe Community College University of New Mexico—Main Campus Western New Mexico University

# New York (4)

CUNY Bronx Community College CUNY LaGuardia Community College CUNY Lehman College SUNY Westchester Community College

#### Puerto Rico (15)

Bayamon Central University Instituto Tecnologico de Puerto Rico-Manati Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Aguadilla Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Bavamon Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Metro Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Ponce Inter American University of Puerto Rico-San German Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico-Ponce Universidad Del Turabo Universidad Metropolitana University of Puerto Rico-Arecibo University of Puerto Rico—Humacao University of Puerto Rico-Medical Sciences Campus University of Puerto Rico-Rio Piedras Campus University of Puerto Rico-Utuado Texas (21) Houston Community College Lee College Midland College Palo Alto College **Richland College** Saint Edward's University St. Mary's University San Antonio College Southwest Texas Junior College Texas A&M International University Texas A&M University—Corpus Christi Texas A&M University—Kingsville Texas State Technical College—Harlingen Texas State University

- University of Texas at Arlington University of Texas at Brownsville
- University of Texas at El Paso
- University of Texas at San Antonio University of Texas—Pan American
- University of Houston
- University of the Incarnate Word

# Washington (3)

Big Bend Community College Columbia Basin College Wenatchee Valley College

Done in Washington, DC, this 23rd day of January, 2015.

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# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

# 10 CFR Part 430

[Docket No. EERE-2009-BT-TP-0016] RIN 1904-AB99

# Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Fluorescent Lamp Ballasts

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: On October 21, 2014, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NOPR) to amend the test procedures for fluorescent lamp ballasts. That NOPR serves as the basis for this action. This final rule amends DOE's regulations concerning the test procedures for the measurement of energy consumption for fluorescent lamp ballasts. Specifically, these amendments clarify the requirement to use the test procedures in Appendix Q1 to demonstrate compliance with the energy conservation standards that apply to fluorescent lamp ballasts manufactured on or after November 14, 2014. These revisions follow the intent of the fluorescent lamp ballast test procedure final rule to support any new or revised energy conservation standards at the time those standards require compliance. This final rule also corrects the formula for power factor, which contained a mathematical error as adopted in that final rule. **DATES:** The effective date of this rule is March 6, 2015. Compliance will be mandatory starting August 3, 2015. **ADDRESSES:** The docket, which includes Federal Register notices, public meeting attendee lists and transcripts, comments, and other supporting documents/materials, is available for review at regulations.gov. All documents in the docket are listed in the regulations.gov index. However, some documents listed in the index, such as those containing information that is exempt from public disclosure, may not be publicly available.

Å link to the docket Web page can be found at: http://www1.eere.energy.gov/ buildings/appliance\_standards/product. aspx/productid/62. This Web page will contain a link to the docket for this notice on the regulations.gov site. The regulations.gov Web page will contain simple instructions on how to access all documents, including public comments, in the docket.

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