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TO: Editor Arkansas Democrat-Gazette

FROM: Terry Walker, Director

SUBJECT: Legal Notice

Please publish the enclosed legal notice in the October 19 – 21, 2016 issues of the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette. Please bill us in the usual manner.

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Enclosures

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Legal Notice

State Plant Special Called Board Meeting and Public Hearings

The Arkansas State Plant Board will meet at 1:30 p.m., November 21, 2016 at the State Plant Board offices, #1 Natural Resources Drive, Little Rock, AR.

1. **Public Hearing** to consider changes to the regulations in Plant Board Circular 15, Official Standards for Seed Certification in Arkansas.

The hearing will be to consider allowing Foundation Seed to be sold in new, flexible mini-bulk (superbag) containers with a limit on the lot size of 1500 bushels per lot. Currently, Foundation Seed must be sold in traditional size bags (generally holding approximately 50 or 60 pounds of seed). Many Foundation Seed growers would prefer to get their seed in the larger containers since most now have the equipment for using the superbag containers and this would make it easier for them to handle & plant this seed. Also, some housekeeping changes are proposed: where the words “grade”, “grades” or “graded” is used, substituting the words “class”, “classes” or “assigned a class”. The word “class” has been preferred for some time now because “grade” is in conflict with the USDA term “grade” used for grain.

Comments may be mailed to: Hearing on Foundation Seed in Superbags, ATTN: Mary Smith, Arkansas State Plant Board, P.O. Box 1069, Little Rock, AR 72203. Comments will be accepted until the close of business on Friday, November 18, 2016. Anyone wishing to make comments in person may attend the hearing and will be given the opportunity to present those comments.

A copy of the proposed regulations can be found at: www.plantboard.arkansas.gov under the “Rules” link – Official Standards for Seed Certification in Arkansas.

2. **Public Hearing** to consider changes to the Arkansas Regulations on Pesticide Classification and Use.

The hearing will be to consider changes to regulations for Dow Agro Sciences’ Enlist Duo; Monsanto’s M1691, Roundup Xtend with VaporGrip, and XtendiMax with VaporGrip; BASF’s Engenia; and all pesticides containing dicamba.

Comments may be mailed to: Attn: Susie Nichols or Brandi Reynolds, Arkansas State Plant Board, P.O. Box 1069, Little Rock, AR 72203. Mailed comments will be accepted until the close of business **Friday, November 18, 2016**. Anyone wishing to make comments in person may attend the hearing and they will be afforded the opportunity to present those comments.

The proposed rule change may be viewed on the Plant Board web page at: www.plantboard.arkansas.gov under the “Rules” link – Arkansas Regulations on Pesticide Classification and Use.

3. **Public Hearing** to consider changes to the Arkansas Pesticide Control Regulations.

The hearing will be to consider changes to the Arkansas Pesticide Control Regulations. The proposed regulations would allow the Plant Board to request additional information about a pesticide before it is registered for use in the State of Arkansas.

Comments may be mailed to: Attn: Susie Nichols or Brandi Reynolds, Arkansas State Plant Board, P.O. Box 1069, Little Rock, AR 72203. Mailed comments will be accepted until the close of business **Friday, November 18, 2016**. Anyone wishing to make comments in person may attend the hearing and they will be afforded the opportunity to present those comments.

The proposed rule change may be viewed on the Plant Board web page at: www.plantboard.arkansas.gov under the “Rules” link – Arkansas Pesticide Control Regulations.

4. **Other business.**

Board meetings are open to the public. For further information concerning the meeting, contact Terry Walker, Director, at 501-225-1598.

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