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Program(s) Affected: Food Distribution Programs

Title of the Rule: Revisions and Clarifications in the Requirements for the Distribution and Control of Donated Foods

State of Rulemaking: Currently being drafted.

Is the Rule Currently Open for Public Comment? There will be a 90 day comment period once published.

Rule Summary:

This is a proposed rule to revise and clarify requirements in 7 CFR Part 250 to ensure that USDA donated foods are distributed, stored, and managed in the safest, most efficient, and cost-effective manner at the State and recipient agency levels. The rule would also reduce reporting and administrative requirements for State distributing agencies, revise or clarify regulations relating to accountability for donated foods, and rewrite much of 7 CFR Part 250 in a more user-friendly, “plain language” format. The rule will include proposals relating to inventories of USDA Foods, and National School Lunch Program (NSLP) processing audits and reviews.