SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Indiana (FEMA–1002–DR), dated September 9, 1993, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 9, 1993.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paulene C. Campbell, Disaster Assistance Programs, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20247, (202) 646–3606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated September 9, 1993, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.*), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Indiana, resulting from severe storms and flooding on August 16–17, 1993, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act ("the Stafford Act"). I, therefore, declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Indiana.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes, such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Individual Assistance in the designated areas. Public Assistance may be added to a later date, if requested and warranted. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

The time period prescribed for the implementation of section 310(a), Priority to Certain Applications for Public Facility and Public Housing Assistance, 42 U.S.C. 5153, shall be for a period not to exceed six months after the date of this declaration.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency under Executive Order 12148, I hereby appoint Philip N. Zaferopulos of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of Indiana to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

The counties of Clay, Parke, Putnam, Vermillion, and Vigo for Individual Assistance.

(Catalog of Federal Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

James Lee Witt,

Director.

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[FEMA–1000–DR]

Kansas; Amendment to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for the State of Kansas, (FEMA–1000–DR), dated July 22, 1993, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 9, 1993.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pauline C. Campbell, Disaster Assistance Programs, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–3606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster for the State of Kansas dated July 22, 1993, is hereby amended to include the following area among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of July 22, 1993.

The county of Reno for Individual Assistance and Public Assistance.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

Richard W. Krimm,

Deputy Associate Director, State and Local Programs and Support.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Agreement(s) Filed; FMG/CSAV/NAV Cooperative Working Agreement et al.

The Federal Maritime Commission hereby gives notice of the filing of the following agreement(s) pursuant to section 5 of the Shipping Act of 1984.

Interested parties may inspect and obtain a copy of each agreement at the Washington, DC Office of the Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., 9th Floor. Interested parties may submit comments on each agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, within 10 days after the date of the **Federal Register** in which this notice appears. The requirements for comments are found in § 572.603 of title 46 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Interested persons should consult this section before communicating with the Commission regarding a pending agreement.

Agreement No.: 203–011298–004

Title: FMG/CSAV/NAV Cooperative Working Agreement

Parties: Compania Sud Americana de Vapores, Flota Mercante Grancolombiana, Naviera Interamericana S.A.

Synopsis: The proposed amendment changes and clarifies the withdrawal provisions of the Agreement.

Agreement No.: 224–004048–002

Title: Jacksonville Port Authority/Puerto Rico Maritime Shipping Authority

Parties: Jacksonville Port Authority, Puerto Rico Maritime Shipping Authority

Synopsis: The proposed amendment provides for an increase in terminal use fees and extends the term of the Agreement.

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Dated: September 14, 1993.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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[Petition No. P67–93]

Petititons for Temporary Exemption From Electronic Tariff Filing Requirements; Petition of European & General Shipping, Inc.; Filing of Petition

Notice is hereby given of the filing of a petition by the above named petitioner, pursuant to 46 CFR 514.8(a), for temporary exemption from the electronic tariff filing deadlines of the Commission's ATFI System.

To facilitate thorough consideration of the petition, interested persons are requested to reply to the petition no later than September 20, 1993. Replies shall be directed to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573–0001, shall consist of an original and 15 copies, and shall be served on Mr. Alan Dee, President, European & General Shipping, Inc., 8300 NW. 53rd Street, suite 308, Miami, Florida 33166.

Copies of the petitions are available for examination at the Washington, DC Office of the Secretary of the Commission, 800 N. Capitol Street, NW., room 1046.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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[Petition Nos. P68–93 and P69–93]

Filing of Petitions for Temporary Exemption From Electronic Tariff Filing Requirements; World Tariff Services, Inc. on Behalf of Kin Bridge Express U.S.A., Inc.; Inter-American Freight Conference Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Island Area and the Inter-American Freight Conference Area River Plate/Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands Area/River Plate

Notice is hereby given of the filing of petitions by the above named petitioners, pursuant to 46 CFR 514.8(a), for temporary exemption from the electronic tariff filing requirements of the Commission's ATFI System. Petitioners request exemption from ATFI filing deadlines.

To facilitate thorough consideration of the petitions, interested persons are requested to reply to the petitions no later than September 23, 1993. Replies shall be directed to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573–0001, shall consist of an original and 15 copies, and shall be served on the following:

P68–93—Mr. Kenneth Witkowski, World Tariff Services, Inc., 800 N. Capitol Street, NW., suite 1407, Washington, DC 20001

P69–93—Jeffrey F. Lawrence, Esq., Sher & Blackwell, 1255 23rd Street, NW., suite 500, Washington, DC 20037–1194

Copies of the petitions are available for examination at the Washington, D.C. office of the Secretary of the Commission, 800 N. Capitol Street, NW., room 1046.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 84G–0257]

Enzyme Technical Association; Withdrawal of Petition for Affirmation of GRAS Status

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the withdrawal, without prejudice to a future filing, of three enzyme preparations that are the subject of a petition (GRASP 3G0016) requesting that the use of certain enzyme preparations derived from animal, plant, and microbial sources be affirmed as generally recognized as safe (GRAS) for use in food. The three enzyme preparations are lipase derived from pancreatic tissue, amylase derived from pancreatic tissue, and amylase derived from unmalted barley extract.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda S. Kahl, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS–206), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202–254–9523.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a notice published in the **Federal Register** of April 12, 1973 (38 FR 9256), FDA announced that a petition (GRASP 3G0016) had been filed by the Ad Hoc Enzyme Technical Committee (now the Enzyme Technical Association (ETA)), c/o Miles Laboratories, Inc., 1127 Myrtle St., Elkhart, IN 46514. This petition requested that the agency affirm that the following enzyme preparations are GRAS for use in food:

(1) Animal-derived enzyme preparations: catalase (bovine liver); lipase, animal; pepsin; rennet; rennet, bovine; and trypsin.

(2) Plant-derived enzyme preparations: bromelain; malt; and papain.

(3) Microbially-derived enzyme preparations: *Aspergillus niger*, var. (lipase, catalase, glucose oxidase, and carbohydrase); *Bacillus subtilis*, var. (carbohydrase and protease mixtures); *Rhizopus oryzae* (carbohydrase); and *Saccharomyces* species (carbohydrase).

The petition was subsequently amended by notices published in the **Federal Register** of June 12, 1973 (38 FR 15471), proposing affirmation that microbially derived enzyme preparations (carbohydrase, lipase, and protease) from *A. oryzae* are GRAS for use in food; in the **Federal Register** of August 29, 1984 (49 FR 34305), proposing affirmation that the enzyme preparations ficin, obtained from species of the genus *Ficus* (fig tree), and pancreatin, obtained from bovine and porcine pancreas, are GRAS for use in food; and in the **Federal Register** of June 23, 1987 (52 FR 23607), proposing affirmation that the enzyme preparation protease from *A. niger* is GRAS for use in food. In the June 23, 1987, notice, FDA also noted that the petitioner asserts that pectinase enzyme preparation from *A. niger* and lactase enzyme preparation from *A. niger* are included under carbohydrase enzyme preparation from *A. niger*, and that invertase enzyme preparation from *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* and lactase enzyme preparation from *Kluyveromyces marxianus* are both included under carbohydrase enzyme preparation from *Saccharomyces* species. The agency further noted that, therefore, pectinase enzyme preparation from *A. niger*, lactase enzyme preparation from *A. niger*, invertase enzyme preparation from *S. cerevisiae*, and lactase enzyme preparation from *K. marxianus* are considered to be part of the petition.

In addition, in letters to the agency dated December 21, 1984, and September 20, 1985, the petitioner asserted that malt (as previously listed) included extracts from germinated and ungerminated (unmalted) barley.

By letter dated June 1, 1993, ETA requested that the following enzyme preparations be withdrawn from the petition without prejudice to a filing in a future petition: (1) Lipase derived from pancreatic tissue (i.e., pancreatin used for its lipase activity), (2) amylase derived from pancreatic tissue (i.e., pancreatin used for its amylase activity), and (3) amylase derived from unmalted barley extract. In view of ETA's request, any future action by FDA on GRASP 3G0016 will not include a determination of the GRAS status of the three enzyme preparations listed above.

Dated: September 10, 1993.

Fred R. Shank,

Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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[Docket No. 86N–0180]

Public Information; List of All Memoranda of Understanding and Agreements Between FDA and State or Local Government Agencies; Availability

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is publishing a list of all memoranda of understanding (MOU's) that are cooperative work-sharing agreements currently in effect between FDA and State or local government agencies. FDA is publishing the list to provide information to the public on these agreements. Elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**, FDA is publishing a final rule exempting such MOU's from full-text publication in the **Federal Register**. The full text of any of the listed MOU's continues to be available from FDA on request.

ADDRESSES: Submit written requests for single copies of any of the listed MOU's to the Division of Federal-State Relations (HFC–150), Food and Drug Administration, rm. 12–07, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Requests should be identified with the Compliance Policy Guide (CPG) number and title of the document. The listed MOU's are also available for public examination in the office of the Freedom of Information Staff, Food and Drug Administration, rm. 12A–16, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Glenn Johnson, Division of Federal-State Relations (HFC–152), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–443–3360.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**, FDA is publishing a final rule exempting from publication in the **Federal Register** the full text of those MOU's that are cooperative work-sharing agreements between FDA and State or local government agencies. In lieu of the full-text publication of such MOU's, FDA will publish periodically, but not less than once every 2 years, a notice listing all such MOU's currently in effect.

Accordingly, to implement the policy established in that final rule, FDA is publishing its first periodic list of those MOU's that are cooperative work-sharing agreements currently in effect between FDA and State or local government agencies. The list is extracted from the index to "Chapter 57—MOU's—State" in FDA's CPG's manual. Under 21 CFR 20.26, the complete index to that manual is available at cost from FDA's Freedom of Information Staff (address above).

CPG Number	Title
7157.01	MOU with *New Mexico* Department of Health and Environment and *New Mexico* Department of Agriculture Regarding Coordination of Information and Work-Sharing in Monitoring Pesticide Residues and Mycotoxins in Food and Animal Feed Commodities (FDA–225–88–4002)
7157.02	MOU with *Kansas* State Board of Agriculture Regarding Inspection of Medicated Feed-Manufacturing Establishments (FDA–225–82–4002)
7157.03	MOU with *Washington* State Department of Agriculture Regarding Inspection and Grading of Grain, Rice, and Pulses (FDA–225–81–4000)
7157.04	MOU with the *Illinois* Attorney General Regarding Development and Implementation of Appropriate Sanctions Concerning Fraud and Deception Involving Foods, Drugs, Devices, and Cosmetics (FDA–225–83–4000)
7157.05	MOU with *District of Columbia*, Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs Concerning Public Health Emergencies, Coordination of Consumer Complaint Investigations, Joint Training Efforts, Analytical Assistance, and Mutual Exchange of Inspectional Information (FDA–225–84–4000)
7157.06	MOU with the *Minnesota* Department of Agriculture Regarding Cooperative Surveillance Over Food and Medicated Feed (FDA–225–76–4001)
7157.07	MOU with the *Wisconsin* Department of Agriculture Regarding Cooperative Surveillance Over Foods (FDA–225–76–4000)
7157.08	MOU with the *Wisconsin* Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection Regarding Investigations of Findings of Drug Residues in Tissue Samples of Swine (FDA–225–78–4007)
7157.09	MOU with the *Virginia* Board of Pharmacy for the Inspection of Drug Manufacturers, Wholesalers, and Distributors (FDA–225–78–4002)
7157.10	MOU with the *West Virginia* Health Department Relating to the Inspection of the Food Processing Industry (FDA–225–76–4011)
7157.11	MOU with *West Virginia* Department of Agriculture Concerning Regulatory Activities Related to Inspection of Food Storage and Medicated Feed Industries (FDA–225–76–4008)
7157.12	MOU with the *Virginia* Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Regarding the Inspection of the Food Processing and Storage Industries (FDA–225–76–4004)
7157.13	MOU with the *Maryland* Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Regarding the Inspection of Food Processing and Storage Industries (FDA–225–75–4073)
7157.14	CAP with the *Kentucky* Cabinet for Human Resources, Department for Health Services Regarding Milk and Food Sanitation, Food Economics, Cosmetics, and Pesticides (FDA–225–79–4002)
7157.15	MOU with *Virginia* Department of Health Concerning Inspection of the Crabmeat Industry (FDA–225–76–4005)
7157.16	MOU with the *Allegheny County*, Pennsylvania Health Department Concerning Coordination of Inspection of Food Processing, Storage, and Service Facilities, and Interstate Carrier Support Facilities (FDA–225–78–4000)
7157.17	MOU with the *Maine* Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources Regarding the Coordination of Joint Efforts in Monitoring Pesticide and Industrial Chemical Residues in Foods (FDA–225–90–4002)
7157.18	MOU with *Florida* Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Regarding Activities Related to the Regulation of Milk, Foods, Medicated Feeds, and Pesticides (FDA–225–85–4002)
7157.19	MOU with the *Nebraska* Department of Agriculture Regarding Inspections, Investigations, and Analytical Findings Related to Food and Animal Feed Firms (FDA–225–85–4001)
7157.20	MOU with the *California* Department of Health Services Regarding Inspections, Investigations, Recalls and Emergencies, Training, and Sharing Information (FDA–225–89–4006)
7157.21	MOU with the *Kansas* Department of Health and Environment Regarding the Inspections, Investigations, and Analytical Findings Related to Food and Drug Firms (FDA–225–86–4002)
7157.22	MOU with the *New Jersey* Department of Health Regarding Inspections of Drug Firms, Investigations of Drug Related Health Frauds, Analysis of Drug Samples, and Imposition of Regulatory Sanctions (FDA–225–86–4001)

CPG Number	Title
7157.23	MOU with the *Pennsylvania* Department of Health Regarding the Inspection of Drug, Device, and Cosmetic Manufacturers, Wholesalers, and Distributors (FDA–225–75–4071)
7157.24	MOU with the *Delaware* Board of Pharmacy Concerning Regulatory Activities Relating to the Inspection of Drug Manufacturers, Wholesalers, and Distributors (FDA–225–76–4007)
7157.25	MOU with *Missouri* Regarding Food Inspection, Monitoring of Industry Recalls, Disaster Investigations, HIV Related Issues, and Exchange of Inspectional and Analytical Information (FDA–225–86–4000)
7157.26	MOU with the *Alabama* Department of Agriculture and Industries Regarding Regulation of Wholesale Food Storage Warehouses, Disasters, Recalls, and Exchange of Information (FDA–225–89–4004)
7157.27	MOU with the *Pennsylvania* Department of Agriculture Regarding Regulatory Activities Relating to the Inspection of Food Processing and Storage Facilities (FDA–225–77–4000)
7157.28	MOU with the *Texas* Department of Health Regarding the Regulation of Foods and Drugs (FDA–225–87–4001)
7157.29	MOU with the *Delaware* Department of Agriculture, *Maryland* Department of Agriculture, *Pennsylvania* Department of Agriculture, *Virginia* Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, *West Virginia* Department of Agriculture, and USDA, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Northeastern and Southeastern Regional Offices Regarding Regulatory Investigations Involving Drug, Pesticide, and Industrial Chemical Residues in Animal Feeds and in Meat and Poultry (FDA–225–76–4002)
7157.30	MOU with the *Florida* Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services Regarding Cooperation in Consumer Protection Activities Such as Foods, Drugs, Medical Devices, Cosmetics, and Radiation Emitting Electronic Products (FDA–225–87–4002)
7157.31	MOU with the *Illinois* Department of Public Health Concerning the Monitoring and Investigation of Foodborne Illnesses (FDA–225–80–4001)
7157.32	MOU with the *Oklahoma* Department of Health and the *Oklahoma* Department of Agriculture Concerning Joint Efforts for the Coordination of Information in Monitoring Pesticide Residues and Mycotoxins in Food and Animal Feed Commodities (FDA–225–88–4001)
7157.33	MOU with the *California Department of Food and Agriculture Regarding Monitoring and Enforcement for Pesticide Residues in Raw Agriculture Commodities (FDA–225–89–4005)*
7157.34	MOU with the *Arkansas* Department of Health and the *Arkansas* State Plant Board Regarding Monitoring Pesticide Residues and Mycotoxins in Food and Animal Feed (FDA–225–89–4007)
7157.35	MOU with the *Texas* Department of Health; *Texas* Department of Agriculture; and *Texas* Agricultural Experiment Station, Office of the Texas State Chemist Regarding the Cooperation, Coordination and Sharing of Pesticide Monitoring Data Concerning Residues in Raw and Processed Agricultural Products (FDA–225–90–4001)
7157.36	MOU with the *Ohio* Department of Health Regarding Sharing of Information About Levels of Pesticides in Grade A Milk, Milk Products, Grade A Goat Milk, and Goat Milk Products (FDA–225–90–4000)
7157.37	MOU with the *Connecticut* Department of Consumer Protection Regarding the Coordination of Joint Efforts in Monitoring Pesticide and Industrial Chemical Residues in Foods (FDA–225–90–4003)
7157.38	Agreement with the State of *New York* Department of Agriculture and Markets Regarding Coordination of Communications and Work-Sharing to Ensure Prompt and Effective Food-Related Consumer Protection Services (FDA–225–90–4004)
7157.39	MOU with the Commonwealth of *Kentucky* State Board of Pharmacy Regarding Investigations of Drug Distributors Involving Violations of the Prescription Drug Marketing Act of 1987 (PDMA) (FDA–225–90–4006)
7157.40	MOU with *Rhode Island* Department of Health Regarding the Coordination of Joint Efforts in Monitoring Pesticide and Industrial Chemical Residues in Foods (FDA–225–90–4005)
7157.41	MOU with *Georgia* Department of Agriculture and *USDA*, Food Safety and Inspection Service Regarding Regulatory Investigations Involving Drug, Pesticide, and Toxic Chemical Residues in Animal Feeds and in Meat Tissues (FDA–225–91–4000)
7157.42	MOU with the *National Association of State Departments of Agriculture* in Order to Provide a Coordinated Structure for the Conduct of Public Education Programs Regarding the Safety and Wholesomeness of the United States Food Supply (FDA–225–91–4005)
7157.43	MOU with *Washington* State Department of Agriculture Regarding Coordination of Information and Work-Sharing in Monitoring Pesticide Residues in Food and Animal Feed Commodities (FDA–225–91–4001)
7157.44	CAP with *Tennessee* Department of Agriculture Regarding a Cooperative Work and Information Sharing Program to Include Milk and Food Sanitation, Food Economics, Cosmetics, and Pesticides (FDA–225–88–4003)
7157.45	MOU with *Wyoming* Department of Agriculture Regarding the Inspection of Food, Drug and Medical Device Firms (FDA–225–92–4001)
7157.46	MOU with *Utah* Department of Agriculture Regarding the Inspection of Food, Drug and Medical Device Firms (FDA–225–92–4006)
7157.47	MOU with State of *Arkansas* Attorney General and *Arkansas* Department of Health Regarding the Inspection of Foods, Drugs, Devices and Cosmetics (FDA–225–92–4004)

CPG Number	Title
7157.48	MOU with *Colorado* Department of Health and *Colorado* Department of Law Regarding Inspections of Food, Drug, Cosmetic and Medical Device Firms (FDA–225–92–4005)
7157.49	MOU with *Michigan* Department of Agriculture Regarding Inspections, Investigations, and Analytical Findings Relating to Food Firms (FDA–225–92–4000)
7157.50	MOU with *Minnesota* Department of Agriculture Regarding the Inspection of Food and Medicated Feed Firms (FDA–225–92–4008)
7157.51	MOU with *South Carolina* Department of Agriculture Regarding the Inspection of Food and Drug Firms (FDA–225–92–4007)
7157.52	MOU with *Alabama* Department of Public Health Regarding Inspections, Investigations, and Analytical Findings Relating to Food Firms (FDA–225–92–4009)
7157.53	MOU with *Tennessee* Department of Agriculture Regarding Inspections of Food, Animal Feed, Cosmetic, Medical Device, and Drug Firms (FDA–225–92–4011)
7157.54	MOU with *Oklahoma* Attorney General and *Oklahoma* Department of Health Regarding Fraud and Deception Involving Foods, Drugs, Devices and Cosmetics (FDA–225–92–4010)

The list of MOU's is being made available under § 20.108(c).

Dated: September 3, 1993.

Michael R. Taylor,

Deputy Commissioner for Policy.

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Health Resources and Services Administration

[PN 2111]

Program Announcement for Grants for Nursing Education Opportunities for Individuals From Disadvantaged Backgrounds for Fiscal Year 1994

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) announces that applications for fiscal year (FY) 1994 will be accepted for Grants for Nursing Education Opportunities for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds as authorized by section 827, title VIII of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, as amended by the Nurse Education and Practice Improvement Amendments of 1992, title II of Public Law 102-408, Health Professions Education Extension Amendments of 1992, dated October 13, 1992.

The Administration's budget request for FY 1994 includes $5.193 million for Grants for Nursing Education Opportunities for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds. Total continuation support recommended is approximately $1.9 million. It is anticipated that approximately $3.203 million will be available to support 15 competing awards averaging approximately $170,000 each.

Previous Funding Experience

Previous funding experience information is provided to assist potential applicants to make better informed decisions regarding submission of an application for this program. In FY 1993, HRSA reviewed 74 applications for Grants for Nursing Education Opportunities for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds. Of those applications, 45 percent were approved and 55 percent were disapproved. Eight projects, or 24 percent of the approved applications, will be funded in FY 1993.

Eligibility

Public and nonprofit private schools of nursing and other public or nonprofit private entities are eligible for grant support.

Purpose

Section 827 of the Public Health Service Act authorizes grants to increase opportunities for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds to pursue a nursing education. Students who may have an associate degree in nursing would be eligible to receive funding under this section if they are financially, educationally or culturally disadvantaged.

To implement this program in FY 1994 in a timely manner, an existing definition of "an individual from a disadvantaged background" is being used (42 CFR 57.2904). For purposes of Grants for Nursing Education Opportunities for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds in FY 1994, "an individual from a disadvantaged background" is one who: (1) Comes from an environment that has inhibited the individual from obtaining the knowledge, skills, and abilities required to enroll in and graduate from a school of nursing; or (2) comes from a family with an annual income below a level based on low-income thresholds according to family size published by the U.S. Bureau of Census, adjusted annually for changes in the Consumer Price Index, and multiplied by a factor to be determined by the Secretary for adaptation to this program.

The following income figures determine what constitutes a low income family for purposes of Grants for Nursing Education Opportunities for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds for FY 1994.

Size of parents' family [1]	Income level [2]
1	$ 9,419
2	12,200
3	14,523
4	18,596
5	21,930
6 or more	24,649

[1] Includes only dependents listed on Federal income tax forms.

[2] Adjusted gross income for calendar year 1992, rounded to $100.

Grants may be awarded to eligible applicants to meet the costs of special projects to increase nursing education opportunities for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds:

1. By identifying, recruiting and selecting such individuals;
2. By facilitating the entry of such individuals into schools of nursing;
3. By providing counseling or other services designed to assist such individuals to complete successfully their nursing education;
4. By providing, for a period prior to the entry of such individuals into the regular course of education at a school of nursing, preliminary education designed to assist them to complete successfully such regular course of education;
5. By paying such stipends as the Secretary may determine for such individuals for any period of nursing education;
6. By publicizing, especially to licensed vocational or practical nurses, existing sources of financial aid available to persons enrolled in schools of nursing or who are undertaking training necessary to qualify them to enroll in such schools; and
7. By providing training, information or advice to the faculty of such schools with respect to encouraging such individuals to complete the programs of nursing education in which the individuals are enrolled.

The period of Federal support should not exceed 3 years.

National Health Objectives for the Year 2000

The Public Health Service urges applicants to submit work plans that address specific objectives of Healthy