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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAMS

BALLOT FOR ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

TO PISTACHIO PRODUCERS:

All Pistachio Producers recently had the opportunity to nominate eligible candidates for membership on the Administrative Committee for Pistachios for the staggered one or two-year term of office ending on <u>June 30, 20 and June 30, 20</u>. Producers are now being requested to vote for the candidates of their choice. Attached are voting instructions, eligibility requirements, and a ballot with the nominees listed. Please read the attached directions carefully and submit your completed ballot in the envelope provided, postmarked by or hand deliver to the California Marketing Field Office in Fresno, California no later than _______.

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ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE FOR PISTACHIOS

OFFICIAL BALLOT MATERIAL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE FOR PISTACHIOS PRODUCER MEMBERS AND ALTERNATE PRODUCER MEMBERS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE ATTACHED BALLOT

1.	Voting Period:	through	<u> </u>			
2.	Refer to the ballots fo	r all industry positions and districts for th	ne current nomination and election process.			
3.	Voter Eligibility: Only Producers, including duly authorized officers or employees of Producers, shall participate in the election of Producer members and alternate Producer members of the Committee. No Producer shall participate in the election of Committee members in more than one district. If a Producer commercially produces pistachios during the current productio year in more than one district, the Producer must vote in the same district in which he or she participated in the nomination process previously conducted. However, if the Producer did not participate in the nominations process, he or she may select in which district he or she wishes to vote and shall indicate it on the ballot. In certifying your eligibility, please be mindful of the following definitions: PROPUCER : means any person engaged within the production area in a proprietary capacity in the production of pistachios for sale. PROPRIETARY CAPACITY : Proprietary capacity means the capacity or interest of a produce or handler that, either directly or through one or more intermediaries, is a property owner together with all the appurtenant rights of an owner including the right to vote the interest in that capacity as an individual, a shareholder, member of a cooperative, partner, trustee or in any other capacity with respect to any other business unit. Also, please be mindful that more than two members and not more than two alternate members shall be persons employed or affiliated with producers of handlers that are affiliated with the same handler and/or producer. Additionally, only one member and one alternate member in any one district representing producers shall be employed by or affiliated with the same handler and/or producer. AFFILIATION: normally appears as "affiliate of", or "affiliated with", and means a person such as a producer or handler who is: a producer or handler that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, owns or controls, or is controlled by or i					
4.	Vote for the candidate nominated, write in th number of votes shall	e(s) of your choice in the appropriate spa he candidate(s) name(s) of your choice in the the member nominee for that district	e number of producer positions you are entitled to vote for. ace. If you would like to vote for a producer that has not bee the appropriate space(s). The person receiving the highest and the person receiving the second highest number of vote the nominee shall be selected by a drawing.			
5.	In the spaces provided, print your name, the producer's name (if different) address, and telephone number.					
6.	Certify that you are el	igible to cast this ballot by signing and da	ating the ballot.			
7.	The completed ballot by mail delivery or had		20 to be valid. Submission of the ballot must	be		
8.9.	color, national origin, orientation, genetic in public assistance prog means for communica at (202) 720-2600 (voeligible women, minor If you have any quest	age, disability, and where applicable, sex formation, political beliefs, reprisal, or be ram (Not all prohibited bases apply to all tion of program information (Braille, larg pice and TDD). We also ask that you be r ities, and the physically challenged for m	nation in all its programs and activities on the basis of race, or, marital status, familial status, parental status, religion, sexuscause all or part of an individual's income is derived from an I programs.) Persons with disabilities who require alternative ge print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Centiminated of the USDA's policy regarding Civil Rights and considerembership on the Committee.	y ter der		

RETURN BALLOT TO:

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ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE FOR PISTACHIOS MARKETING ORDER NO. 983

DISTRICT 1 PRODUCER MEMBER AND ALTERNATE MEMBER BALLOT

(See attached instructions)

NOTE: YOU MUST BE A PRODUCER IN DISTRICT 1 TO VOTE ON THIS BALLOT. IF YOU ARE A PRODUCER IN MORE THAN ONE DISTRICT, YOU MAY ONLY VOTE FOR CANDIDATES IN ONLY ONE DISTRICT. PLEASE DISCARD THE OTHER BALLOTS.

PRODUCER NOMINEE LIST

DISTRICT 1 (SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA): DISTRICT 1 HAS 4 PRODUCER MEMBER POSITIONS AND 4 ALTERNATE PRODUCER MEMBER POSITIONS TO BE FILLED. CAST YOUR VOTE BY CHECKING THE BOX NEXT TO THE NOMINEE OF YOUR CHOICE OR SUBMIT A WRITE IN CANDIDATE. EACH PRODUCER IS ENTITLED TO CAST ONLY ONE VOTE FOR EACH POSITION TO BE FILLED. YOU MAY VOTE FOR 8 CANDIDATES (ONE FOR EACH POSITION).

(Producer Member)	
(Producer Member)	
(Producer Member)	
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(Producer Member)	
(Producer Member)	
(Producer Member)	
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(Producer Member)	
(Producer Member)	
(Producer Member)	_
(Producer Member) Write in Candidate	

LIST OF CANDIDATES:

SIGNATURE AND CERTIFICATION IS REQUIRED ON REVERSE OF BALLOT

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Please indicat	te the following:			
	☐ Individual	☐ Trust	☐ Partnership	☐ Corporation
Tax ID#				
If partnership	o, list general partne	·s		
I certify that	I or my employer cu	rrently produce p	istachios for market in Dist	rict indicated above
	ve only voted in the ertify that I have suc			If I am casting a ballot on behalf of my
(Producer's Na	ame - please print)		(Address)	(Telephone Number)
(5	Signature)		(Print Name)	(Date)
(Title - if voting	g on behalf of a corpor	ation, estate, or tru	ust)	
				stor than
TO be valid, ti	ne completed ballot	must be bostilial	ked or hand delivered no la	(Date)

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(Producer Member)

(Producer Member) Write in Candidate UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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DISTRICT 2 PRODUCER MEMBER AND ALTERNATE MEMBER BALLOT

(See attached instructions)

NOTE: YOU MUST BE A PRODUCER IN DISTRICT 2 TO VOTE ON THIS BALLOT. IF YOU ARE A PRODUCER IN MORE THAN ONE DISTRICT, YOU MAY ONLY VOTE FOR CANDIDATES IN ONLY ONE DISTRICT. PLEASE DISCARD THE OTHER BALLOTS.

PRODUCER NOMINEE LIST DISTRICT 2 _____ CAST YOUR VOTE BY CHECKING THE BOX NEXT TO THE NOMINEE OF YOUR CHOICE OR SUBMIT A WRITE IN CANDIDATE FOR EACH POSITION. EACH PRODUCER IS ENTITLED TO CAST ONLY ONE VOTE FOR EACH POSITION TO BE FILLED. DISTRICT 2 HAS 3 PRODUCER MEMBERS AND 3 ALTERNATE MEMBER POSITIONS TO BE FILLED. YOU MAY VOTE FOR 6 CANDIDATES. LIST OF CANDIDATES: [Producer Member] [Producer Member] [Producer Member] [Producer Member] [Producer Member] [Producer Member]

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Please indicate	ate the following:				
	□ Individual	☐ Trust	☐ Partnership	☐ Corporat	ion
Tax ID #					
If partnersh	ip, list general partners				
I certify tha	t I or my employer curre	ently produce pistac	hios for market in Distric	t indica	ated above
	nave only voted in the cu certify that I have such		ess in only one district. If	f I am casting a ballot	on behalf of my
(Producer's I	Name - please print)	(Address	5)	(Telephone	e Number)
(Si	ignature)	(Pr	int Name)	(Date)	_
(Title - if vo	ting on behalf of a corpo	oration, estate, or to	rust)		
To be valid,	the completed ballot m	ust be postmarked	or hand delivered no late	r than:(Dat	e)

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DISTRICT 3 PRODUCER MEMBER AND ALTERNATE MEMBER BALLOT

(See attached instructions)

NOTE: YOU MUST BE A PRODUCER IN DISTRICT 3 TO VOTE ON THIS BALLOT. IF YOU ARE A PRODUCER IN MORE THAN ONE DISTRICT, YOU MAY ONLY VOTE FOR CANDIDATES IN ONLY ONE DISTRICT. PLEASE DISCARD THE OTHER BALLOTS.

PRODUCER NOMINEE LIST

DISTRICT 3 (NORTHERN CALIFORNIA): CAST YOUR VOTE BY CHECKING THE BOX NEXT TO THE NOMINEE OF YOUR CHOICE OR SUBMIT A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE FOR EACH POSITION. EACH PRODUCER IS ENTITLED TO CAST ONLY ONE VOTE FOR EACH POSITION TO BE FILLED. DISTRICT 3 HAS 1 PRODUCER MEMBER AND 1 ALTERNATE MEMBER POSITION TO BE FILLED. YOU MAY VOTE FOR 2 CANDIDATES.

(Producer Member)	
(Producer Member)	
(Producer Member) Write-in Candidate	

LIST OF CANDIDATES

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Please ind	licate the following:					
	☐ Individual	☐ Trust	☐ Partnership	☐ Corporation		
Tax ID #						
If partners	ship, list general pa	rtners				
I certify th	nat I or my employe	r currently prod	uce pistachios for market in	District indicated at	ove	
	have only voted in yer, I certify that I I			strict. If I am casting a ballot on be	half of	
(Producer's Name - please print))	(Address)	(Telephone Num	(Telephone Number)	
	(Signature)		(Print Name)	(Date)		
Title - if v	oting on behalf of a	corporation, est	rate, or trust)			
To be vali	d, the completed ba	allot must be pos	stmarked or hand delivered	no later than: (Date)		

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