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Mr. John Williams
Southern Shrimp Alliance
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Dear Mr. Williams:

Thank you for submitting a petition under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) for Farmers Program on behalf of shrimp producers in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Texas. After carefully reviewing your petition, we are pleased to inform you that we have certified it for FY 2011.

The program is designed to provide technical training and cash benefits to eligible U.S. producers and fishermen whose crops or catch have been adversely affected by an increase in imports of a similar or directly competitive commodity.

Based on the analysis prepared by the Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Economic Research Service, the TAA for Farmers Review Committee determined that increased imports of shrimp during January-December 2008 contributed importantly to a greater than 15-percent decline in the quantity of production in 2008, compared to the previous three-year average. This conforms to the eligibility requirements stipulated in Subtitle C of Title I of the Trade Act of 2002.

Individual shrimp producers in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Texas interested in applying for technical training and cash benefits must complete and submit a written application to their local Farm Service Agency Service Center by the application deadline of December 23, 2010.

Applications (form FSA 229-1) are available on the TAA for Farmers Web site at: <http://www.taaforfarmers.org/> or USDA's Web site at: <http://www.fas.usda.gov/itp/taa/taa.asp>.

All TAA for Farmers Federal Register notices can be found at: <http://www.fas.usda.gov/info/fr/notices.asp>.

Should you require further assistance, please feel free to contact Ms. Elizabeth Berry, Director, Import Policies and Export Reporting Division at (202) 720-1296.

Sincerely,

John D. Brewer
Administrator