



COMMODITY PROCUREMENT

2023 Annual Industry Meeting Invite Proteins, Grains, and Oilseeds Procurement Division

Date June 13, 2023

The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) invites industry stakeholders to join us for the 2023 Annual Industry Meeting to discuss the commodity purchase programs and USDA Foods.

When:

Wednesday, September 6 – Thursday, September 7, 2023

Where:

USDA Facilities
805 Pennsylvania Ave
Kansas City, Missouri 64105

This meeting offers a great opportunity to share new information about the purchase program and provides an opportunity to collaborate with other suppliers and stakeholders to improve the program. This year each day will have a general meeting, followed by breakout sessions with their respective industries.

- Livestock & Poultry (Aquatics)
- Dairy, Grains & Oilseeds

This format will allow stakeholders to discuss their industry specific issues and concerns in a smaller, more focused group. Topic discussions will include but not limited to:

- Industry Group Networking Sessions
- Microbiological Testing Initiatives
- New Products
- Formal Web-Based Supply Chain Management (WBSCM) Training

Commodity Procurement's proposed discussion topics include:

- Business Management Improvement (potential pilot projects)
- Proposed new contracting methods
- New product development
- Entitlement and Bonus Buy

- Economic Outlook
- Complaints Process
- Changes to the Master Solicitation

Registration:

Please, register for the meeting at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) by August 1st.

Hotel Room Reservations:

Participants must make their own lodging arrangements. Reservations will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Government employees will receive the per diem rate. A block of rooms has been reserved at the following hotels.

- Crowne Plaza Kansas City Downtown:
Distance: 0.7 mile - 15-minute walk
Parking: \$25 Overnight, \$10 during the day.
Rate: \$169 per room, available only until August 6, 2023, or until the group block is sold out.
[USDA AMS Meeting Reservations Link Crowne Plaza](#)
- 21c Kansas City Museum Hotel:
Distance: 0.3 mile - 6-minute walk
Parking: \$10
Rate: \$159 per room, available only until August 11, 2023, or until the group block is sold out.
[USDA AMS Meeting Reservations Link 21C KC Museum Hotel](#)

Community Outreach (Voluntary):

Local Food Bank

Social Hour:

Wednesday September 6th, 6pm Kansas City Power & Light District

More information is forthcoming. Please email any questions to: CPIIndustryMeeting@ams.usda.gov.

We highly value your participation and look forward to seeing you at the meeting!