Specification for Class of

## GRAIN STORAGE EXAMINER 2 Abolished Initially Effective January 13, 2006 Abolished Final Effective February 10, 2006

<u>Definition</u>: Conducts independent audits of large, diversified public commodity storage facilities, conditioners, and dealers in order to verify sufficient commodities inventory to meet storage obligations and to ensure adequate cash reserves and/or receivables to meet purchase obligations.

## Typical Work

Audits and inspects licensed warehouses that store grain, hay, peas or beans to ensure compliance with the Warehouse Act, Uniform Grain Storage Agreement, and the Cooperative Agreement entered into with the Federal government; investigates new applicants to determine if they can or should be licensed;

Audits various types of storage records, negotiable receipts, scale tickets, nonreceipted grain accounts, and other records of deposit;

Checks commodities in storage by physical measurement to determine if warehouse worker has sufficient stocks to cover his obligation; measures and computes amounts and kinds of commodities in storage by quantity, type, and quality; determines whether or not commodities actually in storage balance with storage records; requests warehouse worker to make necessary adjustments to bring commodities into balance with inventory;

Measures various shaped bins, tanks, interstices, flathouses, and quonsets to determine potential capacity; makes drawings and charts of facilities;

Checks to determine that persons involved in storing, shipping or handling agricultural commodities are properly licensed; acts as representative of State in commodity warehouse industry; explains Commodity Credit Corporation regulations in Washington State Warehouse Act regulations to warehouse owners and managers; proposes suggested action for minor infraction for approval by their supervisors;

Participates in complex examinations such as ocean shipping grain terminals having "in" and "out" grain movements and centralized accounting procedures;

Checks storage facilities for sanitary conditions; instructs warehouse worker to repair facilities that do not meet minimum standards; requests warehouse worker to destroy commodities that have been contaminated with bird and rodent filth;

Trains and supervises the work of Grain Storage Examiner l's;

Submits regular reports on completed audits, discrepancies noted during the audit, and problems confronting the trade;

Performs other work as required.

## Knowledge and Abilities

Knowledge of: Federal and State commodities storage programs and warehouse audit requirements; operational practices and bookkeeping procedures used by commercial warehouse workers; methods of taking physical inventory of stored commodities; species and sub-species of wide variety of grain; test weight of different commodities by area and year; various grain storage fill methods; arithmetic and solid geometry.

Ability to: interpret complex grain storage regulations; conduct complex grain storage audits and interpret various types of storage records; identify types and quality of commodities common to area; detect discrepancies between amounts of commodities claimed and amount actually in store; climb with agility and work safely in high places; gather relevant material and pertinent evidence of noncompliance with commodity regulations and write clear reports setting forth these facts; write clearly and legibly; travel frequently and for extended periods.

## Minimum Qualifications

One year as a Grain Storage Examiner 1.

OR

A Bachelor's degree involving major study in agronomy, agricultural economics, business administration or closely allied field, which includes a minimum of 12 semester or 18 quarter hours of college-level accounting course work and two years of experience as a State or Federal grain warehouse examiner or auditor.

Note: Additional qualifying experience may be substituted on a year-for-year basis, for up to two years of college course work,

provided a minimum of 12 semester or 18 quarter hours of college-level accounting course work has been achieved.

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