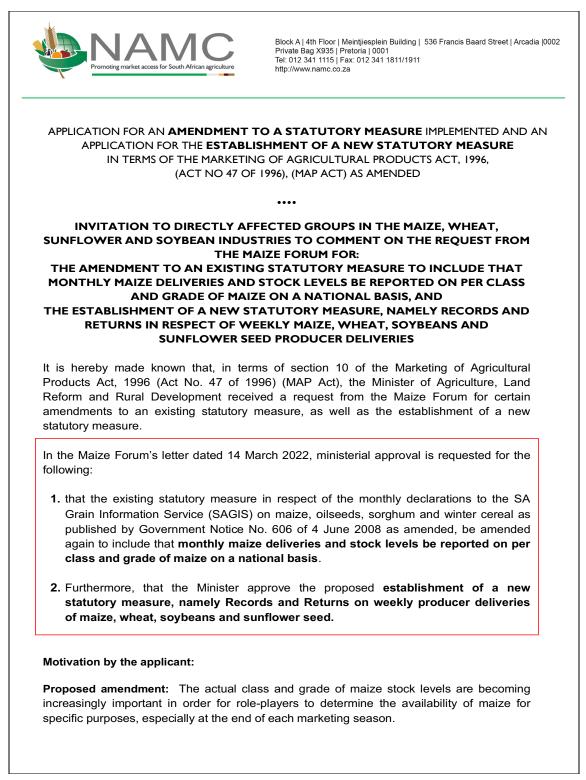
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

NOTICE 905 OF 2022



Proposed new statutory measure: In the past, the weekly producer deliveries of grains and oilseeds were reported by grain silo operators on a voluntary basis, but not reported by the other stakeholders that receive grains and oilseeds directly from producers. In order for the market to operate efficiently, the weekly deliveries should ideally be reported on by all stakeholders. The aim and objectives of this statutory measure are to compel any person directly and indirectly involved in receiving maize, wheat, soybeans and sunflower seed directly from a farm of a producer on his premises, to keep records and submit weekly returns to SAGIS. These persons include end-consumers, storers, exporters, processors, traders, transporters, agents, etc. The statutory measure is deemed necessary in order to ensure that accurate producer deliveries information in respect of maize, wheat, soybeans and sunflower seed is made available more frequently to all role-players and decision makers in the grain industry.

SAGIS was specifically established for the purpose of handling information gathering, processing and dissemination on behalf of the various cereal and oil seed industries in South Africa. This statutory measure will be administered by SAGIS but as a task separate to its main task of monthly national marketing information. The weekly information will be made available to the marked but will not be verified by SAGIS. Only monthly information will be verified in order to ensure accuracy.

Invitation for comments:

As the proposed amendment to the existing statutory measure, as well as the request for the establishment of a new statutory measure, are consistent with the objectives of the MAP Act, the NAMC is investigating the Maize Forum's requests, in order to make a recommendation to the Minister.

Directly affected groups in the maize, wheat, sunflower and soybean industries are kindly requested to submit comments or objections regarding the proposed amendment as well as the proposed establishment of a new statutory measure to the NAMC in writing (e-mail to lizettem@namc.co.za) on or before 8 April 2022, to enable the Council to formulate its recommendation to the Minister in this regard.

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