

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: **Estimating the Share of Imports in U.S. Food Consumption**
Publication Series: Outlook Special Report

Agency: Economic Research Service [X] Influential Scientific Information
USDA [] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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Subject of Review: This paper describes two procedures for estimating the share of imports as a percentage of total food consumed in the United States. One way is to estimate the percentage of imports as a share of food consumption by volume, measuring the ratio between the physical weights of food imports to total food consumed (which include imports). The other approach is to use dollar values for imported food and consumed food.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: [X] Panel Review [X] Individual Reviewers
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[] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 10/18/2010 End: Completed: 05/16/2011

Number of Reviewers: [] 3 or fewer [X] 4 to 10 [] More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists and market analysts.

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency [] Designated Outside Organization
Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? [] Yes [X] No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? [] Yes [X] No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? [] Yes [X] No

