

## Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Free Trade Agreements and Implications for U.S. Agriculture

Type of Report  
(ERR, EIB, EB) ERR

Influential Scientific Information

Agency: Economic Research Service  Highly Influential Scientific Assessment  
USDA

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Subject of Review: Since 2001, the United States has implemented eight Free Trade Agreements with 13 countries, including three agreements that have not yet been ratified by the U.S. Congress. The proliferation of FTAs between key trading partners and competitors has raised concern among U.S. exporters, whose share of established markets may be eroded by such deals. This study examines how the pending FTAs between the United States and South Korea, Colombia, and Panama, as well as recently-concluded competitors' FTAs with ASEAN countries, will likely affect U.S. agricultural trade.

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:  Panel Review  Individual Reviewers

Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 09/22/10 End: 12/02/10 Completed: 12/02/10

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

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by:  Agency  Designated Outside Organization

Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment?  Yes  No

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

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments?  Yes  No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel?  Yes  No



