Appendix C

Definition of Agricultural Labor in the Internal Revenue Code of 1954

The definition of agricultural labor in the *Internal* Revenue Code of 1954 (section. 3121g) is as follows:

Agricultural labor includes all service performed--

- (1) on a farm, in the employ of any person, in connection with cultivating the soil, or in connection with raising or harvesting any agricultural or horticultural commodity, including the raising, shearing, feeding, caring for, training, and management of livestock, bees, poultry, and furbearing animals and wildlife;
- (2) in the employ of the owner or tenant or other operator of a farm, in connection with the operation, management, conservation, or maintenance of such farm and its tools and equipment, or in salvaging timber or clearing land of brush and other debris left by a hurricane, if the major part of such service is performed on a farm;
- (3) in connection with the production or harvesting of any commodity defined as an agricultural commodity in section 15(g) of the Agricultural Marketing Act, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1141j), or in connection with the ginning of cotton, or in connection with the operation or maintenance of ditches, canals, reservoirs, or waterways, not owned or operated for profit, used exclusively for supplying and storing water for farming purposes.
- (4) (A) in the employ of the operator of a farm in handling, planting, drying, packing, packaging, processing, freezing, grading, or storing or delivering to storage or to market or to a carrier for transportation to market in its unmanufactured state, any agricultural

or horticultural commodity; but only if such operator produced more than one-half of the commodity with respect to which such service is performed;

- (B) in the employ of a group of operators of farms (other than a cooperative organization) in the performance of service described in subparagraph (A), but only if such operators produced all of the commodity with respect to which such service is performed. For purposes of this subparagraph, any unincorporated group of operators shall be deemed a cooperative organization if the number of operators is more than 20 at any time during the calendar year in which such service is performed;
- (C) the provision of subparagraphs (A) and (B) shall not be deemed to be applicable with respect to service performed in connection with commercial canning or freezing, or any agricultural or horticultural commodity after its delivery to a terminal market for distribution for consumption; or
- (5) on a farm operated for profit if such service is not in the course of the employer's trade or business or is domestic service in a private home of the employer.

As used in this subsection, the term farm includes stock, dairy, poultry, fruit, fur-bearing animal, and truck farms, plantations, ranches, nurseries, ranges, greenhouses, or other similar structures used primarily for raising agricultural or horticultural commodities, and orchards.

Source: (11).