Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Rice in Asia’s Feed Markets

Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB, TB, SOR,)
[ ] SOR

[ ] Influential Scientific Information
[ ] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

Influential Scientific Information

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Subject of Review: This report explores the implications for global feedgrains and rice markets of greater use of rice as livestock feed, particularly in Asia. The governments of Japan, South Korea, and Thailand have recently diverted rice into their feed markets. When rice becomes a substitute for other feeds, it lowers demand for other grains. The USDA-ERS Baseline model shows that if China were to divert rice into its feed market, there would be an effect, albeit small, on the global and domestic corn markets. The global effect on the rice market would be small as well, although the policy would significantly decrease rice exports from China, currently a small rice exporter.

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 [X] Individual Reviewers
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Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

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Organization’s Name:

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

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