

EXHIBIT #1

USHBC Revised Nomination Procedure

Jan-07

GOAL:

Complete all election activities so that new members are appointed by Fall Meeting and can assume duties January 1 of the next year.

Have USHBC Industry Relations Committee act as Nomination Committee and recommend candidates for Importer, Exporter, Handler and Public Member as well as USHBC Officers.

Nominate USHBC officers at Fall Meeting so that they can assume positions at following Spring Meeting.

ACTIONS:

- *October (USHBC Fall Meeting)- Industry Relations Committee begins search for Importer, Exporter and Public Member, or Handler. Staff begins preparation for state or regional member nominations.*
- *January- Nomination packets sent to regional or state growers. Nominations due by February. USHBC Industry Relations Committee completes candidate list for Importer, Exporter, Public Member or Handler.*
- *March (USHBC Spring Meeting)- USHBC Industry Relations Committee presents Importer, Exporter and Public Member or Handler Nominees to Council for final vote.*
- *April- Regional or State ballots sent to growers. (Election closes in May and background forms due end of month.)*
- *June- Results and background forms for elected State or Regional Growers and Importer, Exporter, Public Member, or Handler sent to U.S. Secretary of Agriculture for appointment by September.*
- *September- USHBC Industry Relations Committee finalizes list of USHBC Officer candidates.*
- *October (Fall Meeting)- Officers selected by Council for seating January 1.*

January- **New Members and Alternates assume positions.**